

MALVERN CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
Malvern City Hall – 100 W 5th Street

The March 11, 2024, regular meeting of the Malvern City Council was **called to order** by Mayor Douglas Shere at 7:00 p.m. Council members present were Chris Androy, Amber Lidgett, Bryant Rasmussen, and Heather West. Also in attendance were Joe George, Dave Hoose, Greg Schultz, Amber Farnan, Scott Riddick, Nicole Semrau, Alan Obermiller, Kim Johnson, Greg Pierce, and Cheryl Jones. Mayor Shere recognized visitors seeking to address the Council. Amber Farnan introduced herself as a candidate for Mills County Auditor. Greg Schultz was present to introduce himself as a candidate for Mill County Sheriff. Kim Johnson with Malvern Low Rent Housing Agency was present at the request of Council to provide a presentation on the organization's functions and finances. Androy motioned to approve the **Consent Agenda** consisting of the March 11, 2024 tentative Council agenda, February 27, 2024 Council meeting minutes, and decision to place Malvern Library Board meeting minutes and claims for February 7, 2024 on file. Seconded by West. Lidgett, Rasmussen, Androy, and West voted aye; motion carried.

Departmental Reports: Street Superintendent Dave Hoose provided a report consisting of brush pile maintenance, snow event on February 16, pothole patching, alley maintenance, parks cleanup, and various other assorted tasks. Discussion was held on potential damage to the Main Street bridge following a vehicle collision. West motioned to **approve the acquisition of CTRE pavement management software**. Seconded by Lidgett. Androy, Rasmussen, Lidgett, and West voted aye; motion carried. Discussion was held on two bids received for mowing of city properties. Androy **motioned to table discussion**. Seconded by West. West, Lidgett, Rasmussen, and Androy voted aye; motion carried.

New Business: Lidgett motioned to **approve a block party application submitted by the Malvern Family Fun Committee for T&N Park on March 24, 2024**. Seconded by West. West, Rasmussen, Androy, and Lidgett voted aye; motion carried. Mayor Shere called to order a public hearing on a proposal to enter into a general obligation loan agreement at 7:45 p.m. Shere recognized the publication of the notice of public hearing in the Malvern Leader on February 22, 2024. City Clerk reported no written objections filed at City Hall. Mayor Shere called for objections, statements, and/or exhibits for Council consideration; there being none. Mayor Shere adjourned the public hearing at 7:46 p.m. Lidgett motioned to approve **Resolution 2024-06-a** resolution taking additional action on a proposal to enter into a general obligation loan agreement and providing for the levy of taxes to pay a general obligation corporate purpose bond. Seconded by Androy. Rasmussen, Lidgett, West, and Androy voted aye; motion carried. Androy motioned to **set the date of a public hearing to consider the installation of anhydrous ammonia storage at Agriland Farm Service as April 8, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.** Seconded by West. Lidgett, Rasmussen, Androy, and West voted aye; motion carried. West motioned to **approve a gold membership with Malvern Area Betterment Association in the amount of \$250.00**. Seconded by Lidgett. West, Lidgett, Rasmussen, and Androy voted aye; motion carried.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Shere discussed a meeting with Burbach Aquatic Inc. Burbach will submit a proposal to perform a feasibility study for repair or replacement of the Malvern Municipal Pool. West motioned to **approve City Clerk to obtain an engineering proposal from HGM Associates for renovation of E 15th Street.** Seconded by Lidgett. West, Lidgett, Rasmussen, and Androy voted aye; motion carried. West motioned to **approve Sharp Blades Lawncare to apply herbicide at the Malvern Wastewater Lagoon in the amount of \$3,200.00.** Seconded by Lidgett. Lidgett, Rasmussen, Androy, and West voted aye; motion carried. Discussion was held on the elimination of a parking space south of the Fire Station. Androy **motioned to table discussion for further Council review.** Seconded by Rasmussen. Androy, Rasmussen, Lidgett, and West voted aye; motion carried.

Clerk's Report: City clerk provided a detailed report on the City's finances. West motioned to **approve the treasurer's and claims report for February 2024.** Seconded by Lidgett. West, Rasmussen, Androy, and Lidgett voted aye; motion carried.

Project/Meeting Updates: Grading continues on the Wabash Landing Subdivision. IEDA has submitted a proposal on reducing the required number of low to moderate income houses in Wabash Landing Subdivision from 40 to 20 homes. No update was provided on the Lakin Foundation Child Development Center of East Mills. Vanguard Utility Services will be in Malvern from March 18-23 to install the remaining water meters and reprogram those previously programmed using the wrong utility code. Water service will be shut off for properties with remaining meter changeouts if they fail to make an appointment by March 20th. Lidgett motioned to **approve the payment of JEO Consulting Group invoice no. 148683 in the amount of \$1,393.50.** Seconded by Androy. Rasmussen, Lidgett, West, and Androy voted aye; motion carried. No update was provided on the Wastewater Lagoon UV Sanitation Improvements project. An updated opinion of probable cost for W 9th Street was presented to Council.

West motioned to **adjourn the meeting** at 8:30 p.m. Seconded by Lidgett. Lidgett, Androy, Rasmussen, and West voted aye; motion carried.

ATTEST:

Douglas Shere, Mayor

Joe George, City Clerk