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

The September 26, 2023, regular meeting of the Malvern City Council was **called to order** by Mayor Douglas Shere at 7:00 p.m. Council members in attendance were Chris Androy, Bruce Breeding, Roger Johnson, and Heather West. Also in attendance was Joe George. Mayor Shere recognized visitors seeking to address the Council; there being none. Breeding motioned to approve the **Consent Agenda** consisting of the September 26, 2023 tentative agenda and September 12, 2023 Council meeting minutes. Seconded by Johnson. Johnson, Breeding, Androy, and West voted aye; motion carried.

Departmental Reports: Superintendent Howard Peterson provided a written report consisting of a water main break on W 5th Street west of 4th Avenue and waiting on parts for repairs needed at the water treatment plant.

New Business: West motioned to approve **Resolution 2023-31**-approving the annual Iowa Street Finance Report. Seconded by Breeding. Androy, Johnson, Breeding, and West voted aye; motion carried. Discussion was held on an annual codification update and potential ordinances to include such as no parking on one side of Prospect Avenue and establishing crosswalks.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Shere discussed an urban revitalization ordinance passed by the City of Malvern in 1985 and suggested advertising to the public to encourage property renovations and economic development through property tax abatement. Discussion was held on a franchise agreement with MidAmerican Energy for gas and electric services.

Clerk's Report: A report from Leak Investigators concluded that one of the returns at the municipal pool has cracked and is leaking. The cost to repair is estimated at \$7,500.00 and should be scheduled for completion in the spring. Clerk recommended available Council members attend the Annual Council of Officials meeting hosted by Metropolitan Area Planning Agency at which Malvern Area Betterment Association is being honored with a regional service award. Discussion was held on the City of Malvern's annual audit. Results of the audit will be available after December.

Project/Meeting Updates: Sanitary sewer is being installed in Wabash Landing on 3rd Avenue from W 8th Street to W 11th Street. Wright Sewer and Water plans to proceed to installation of sanitary sewer on W 10th Street and W 9th Street within the subdivision over the next two weeks. Once completed, Wright will begin installing water main. Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship is reviewing a stormwater management plan submitted for the Prospect Avenue Townhomes. Water meters are scheduled to be delivered the second week of October and installation to begin as early as the first week of November. West motioned to approve a proposal by MidAmerican Energy to extend underground electric to the wastewater lagoons in the amount of \$22,555.56 pending a recommendation from Eagle Engineering on the proposed service size and needs for future lagoon expansion. Seconded by Breeding. West, Breeding, Androy, and Johnson voted aye; motion carried.

Mayor and Councilmember Comments Regarding Non-Agenda Items: Discussion was held on the dumpsters at the Chantry Elementary apartments being placed in the right-of way. Clerk will reach out to property owner. Discussion was held on rental of a street sweeper this fall.	
Androy motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:59 p.m. Seconded by West. Androy, Johnson, West, and Breeding voted aye; motion carried.	
ATTEST:	Douglas Shere, Mayor
Joe George, City Clerk	