

MALVERN VILLAGE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

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Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Mayor DeLong, Burgess, Craig DeLong, Wackerly, Hubbard, Thompson and Holmes were in attendance. Kaltenbaugh and Neading were also in attendance.

Motion by Burgess, second by Holmes to approve the minutes from the regular meeting of September 19, 2022, with the addition to the comments regarding the farmers market: "Council also suggested starting the market later in the season when more produce would be available." All council members approved.

CITIZEN COMMENTS: Craig Bracken from the Boy Scouts was in attendance to discuss his eagle scout project. He would like to build 2 or 3 wooden benches for the park. Benches will be approximately 55 x 33 and will be made with treated lumber. Bracken was seeking council's approval to proceed and asked for suggestions on where the benches could be placed. Council determined the benches could be placed near the basketball court. Holmes motioned to allow Bracken to proceed with the proposed Eagle Scout Project as presented, second by Hubbard. All council members approved.

Jacob Kirby from the Scouts was also in attendance. He was working on a Merit Badge and attended the meeting to observe and take notes.

Mayor DeLong reported to Council that full-time service department employee Jeff Burgess resigned from his position. Holmes made a motion to accept Jeff Burgess' resignation, second by Craig DeLong. Holmes, DeLong, Hubbard, Thompson and Wackerly voted yes, Barb Burgess abstained.

Wackerly made a motion to place an advertisement to hire a full-time service department employee starting at \$15.00 per hour, second by Barb Burgess. All council members approved. The ad will run for 2 weeks and close on October 28th.

PARK: Neading asked when the portable restrooms should be removed. It was determined they should be removed at the end of October. One restroom will be left near the pavilion/playground area and the second will be near the basketball court.

Kaltenbaugh discussed changing the tennis court to a second basketball court. Council discussed the idea and also discussed adding a second court between the tennis and current basketball court. Thompson expressed concerns with removing the tennis courts, she feels as though it gets used and would not be a benefit to remove. It was agreed that this would be discussed at a later date.

FISCAL OFFICER/TAX DEPARTMENT: Neading provided council with the Appropriations, Revenue, Fund Status, Receipts, and Payments as of 10/3/22. Neading discussed that she has continued the paperwork with Pam Ewing for the Waterline Projects. She also noted quarterly status reports were completed for the current grants. All quarterly financial filings were also completed.

Wackerly asked when the expected start date would be for the first Waterline Project. Kaltenbaugh expects work to begin in November.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR: Kaltenbaugh reported the hazardous trees along State Route 183 have been cleared. He also discussed that Asplundh, the tree cutting service, has received a grant to remove problem trees. They are going around the area and marking trees with a X. If anyone knows of a tree needing removed, they should contact Derik or the Village Hall. The property owner will need to sign off with Asplundh, but the tree will be able to be removed at no cost. He also discussed that markings are starting to happen for the Phase II Waterline Design.

Thompson discussed pot holes on Bridge Street that need repaired.

MAYOR: DeLong discussed that the tractor has been in the shop for a month. There was a seal issue, but the tractor is under warranty, so it is getting repaired now before the warranty expires. He was contacted by the Booster Club. They are having a bonfire

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on October 20th prior to the East Canton football game. He also received a call from a business owner regarding leasing the Perfect Products Building. They are looking for a warehouse type space and do not need the utilities connected, it would simply be used for warehouse space. Neading will contact Murdock to see if it is possible to lease a space without utilities.

Thompson discussed re-opening Village Hall. She spoke with Foster and they discussed that Foster is more comfortable with the building being locked, and when someone needs assistance, she does allow them in. Kaltenbaugh also noted that it is a safety issue as there are times Foster is the only one in the office.

COUNCIL: Wackerly discussed that he attended the last Ambulance Board Meeting. There were 94 calls in July and 116 in August.

Craig DeLong attended the Fire Board Meeting. There were 12 incidents since the last meeting. He also noted the architect will be coming to work on plans for the Colfor building that was donated to the Fire Department.

LEGISLATURE: Motion by Wackerly, second by Burgess for the second reading of Resolution 2022-13, A Resolution authorizing the transfer of funds from Fund 2152, American Rescue Funds, deemed “revenue loss” under the standard allowance, to the General Fund for the Village of Malvern, Carroll County, Ohio. All council members approved.

Motion by Burgess, second by Thompson to modify the amount of the gift cards for employees and Justin Lucas from \$50 to \$100 for each Thanksgiving and Christmas, making the new total \$1,600. All council members approved.

Motion by Burgess, second by Hubbard. for the first reading of Resolution 2022-17, A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to purchase gift cards for employees for Thanksgiving and Christmas in appreciation of the work they do for the Village of Malvern, Carroll County, Ohio. All council members approved.

Motion by Burgess, second by Craig DeLong for the first reading of Resolution 2022-18, A Resolution recognizing the volunteer work of Justin Lucas in helping the Service Department for the Village of Malvern, Carroll County, Ohio. All council members approved.

FINANCE: Motion by Burgess, second by Thompson to pay the village bills from the appropriate funds for \$4,841.68 pre-approved by the Finance Committee 10/3/2022. Also, \$8,366.26 in payroll pre-approved by the Finance Committee and paid 9/29/2022. All council members approved.

QUESTIONS:

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Thompson, second Hubbard to adjourn. All council members approved.

Next regular council meeting will be Monday, October 17, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at the Malvern Village Hall.

Mayor

Fiscal Officer