

MALVERN VILLAGE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

August 21, 2023

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Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Mayor DeLong, Burgess, Craig DeLong, Wackerly, Thompson, Hubbard and Holmes were in attendance. Neading was in attendance and Murdock attended via Zoom.

Motion by Holmes, second by Hubbard to approve the minutes from the regular meeting of August 7, 2023, with Neading to verify and possibly update the finance section for the bills paid for July 31. Holmes, Hubbard, Craig DeLong, Thompson, and Wackerly voted yes, Burgess abstained..

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

LEGISLATURE:

Motion by Burgess, second by Craig DeLong for the second reading of Ordinance 3-2023, An Ordinance setting forth the conditions a property owner(s) outside the Village must meet to obtain water service from the Village, including but not limited to annexation into the Village of Malvern, Carroll County, Ohio. All council members approved.

Motion by Wackerly, second by Burgess for the third reading of Ordinance 4-2023, An Ordinance regulating and conditionally prohibiting certain signs within the Village of Malvern, Carroll County, Ohio. All council members approved. Motion by Wackerly, second by Burgess to adopt Ordinance 4-2023. All council members approved. It was clarified that signage up for the current election will not be taken down, but the ordinance will be in effect for the 2024 election signage.

Motion by Burgess, second by Holmes for the second reading of Ordinance 6-2023, An Ordinance adjusting the water rate for calendar 2024 inside and outside the corporate limits of the Village of Malvern, Carroll County, Ohio. All council members approved.

PARK: Hubbard asked if any further discussion happened with Malvern Community Development regarding the handicap access to the pavilion. DeLong said one of the goals of MCDF is to do a safety crossing at State Route 183 and are not going to proceed with the sidewalk to the pavilion at this time. She also asked about the signage for the exercise stations in the park. It was discussed that there is money to paint the signs, and that it would be a good winter project for the service department when things are slower.

Thompson discussed the parent/child swing and is concerned about the mud under the swing and asked if something could be put down. She also noted the sliding board area could use something at the bottom of the slide. DeLong will ask the service department to look into a solution.

FISCAL OFFICER/TAX DEPARTMENT: Neading provided council with Fund Status, Revenue, and Payment reports as of 8/21/2023. She also noted that she had completed and submitted the annual OWDA Financial Report.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR:

MAYOR: DeLong discussed that Tucson was having an issue with a valve and they couldn't get it to shut off at the Canton Street crossing. Repairs such as this have slowed the project down, but they are getting close to completing the project and then the roads will be fixed. He noted that the Service Department has been busy mowing. They worked with Hach to repair an issue with the Chlorine meter at the Water Treatment Plant. They discussed having a service contract in place for future issues. They have been working with Status Control on the communication issues between the water tower and the plant. They are currently testing a new transmitter, but there is a chance that a taller antenna tower will be needed for more reliable communication between the tower and plant. DeLong spoke with the Township Trustees regarding a plot for indigent burials, but the Cemetery Sexton is out on vacation. The oil tank in the park was leaking and the oil company was contacted. They were able to shut the gas off and are evaluating repair option. DeLong discussed that the Cintas delivery driver had a medical emergency while servicing the Street Garage. It took 31 minutes to get an ambulance to the shop. He asked Jan to report the information back to the ambulance board at the next meeting. DeLong reported that there were approximately 75-85 people in attendance for the Concert in the Park. DeLong spoke with Pixie Furbee and the jail in the park will be open for Dancing in the Park. She asked if they could run an electric cord to the jail. DeLong also noted there was a water line repair completed on Sunday.

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COUNCIL: Thompson asked that more “No Parking in Alley” signs be put up. She also said the street sign for 3rd Street is missing and needs to be replaced. She discussed 414 Clay Street and noted the service department had to dig to locate the shut-off in the driveway, the owner is requesting repairs to the concrete. Thompson further asked that the stones in the downtown intersection be cleaned up.

Holmes discussed the potholes on Porter Street near the gazebo. He also asked that the faucet near the Legion Pavilion be checked, it had been leaking.

Hubbard requested that the bench area across from the Firehouse Restaurant be cleaned up and mowed around.

Wackerly discussed the space behind the old Firehouse being leveled. DeLong reported that MCDF is working on putting in a gravel municipal lot. Wackerly further discussed his concerns with the lights downtown and understands that we are waiting on a quote, but it is getting dark earlier and he is concerned about safety. DeLong will ask Lawson to call to see if a quote is ready. Wackerly discussed the weeds at the end of Wood Street near the city limit sign and asked that the service department cut them down. He also reported there were 100 ambulance calls in July.

FINANCE: Motion by Burgess, second by Thompson to pay the village bills from the appropriate funds for \$15,451.67 pre-approved by the Finance Committee 8/21/23. Also, \$9,088.36 in payroll pre-approved by the Finance Committee and paid 8/17/23. All council members approved.

QUESTIONS:

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

Next regular council meeting will be Wednesday, September 6, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. at the Malvern Village Hall.

Mayor

Fiscal Officer