

## MALVERN VILLAGE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

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Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Motion by Burgess, second by Holmes to approve the minutes from the regular meeting of August 15, 2022. Burgess, Hubbard, Thompson, Holmes voted yes, Wackerly abstained.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS:** Joe Chiurco was in attendance to discuss his property located at 231 South Reed. Chiurco is in the process of selling the home and it has been found that the driveway to the garage was constructed on the existing alley. This has led to an issue with the sale. Chiurco asked what options there are to resolve the issue to allow the sale to proceed. Mayor DeLong will discuss further with Kaltenbaugh and Murdock.

**PARK:** Hubbard discussed the fencing around the basketball and tennis courts and noted that they looked good.

Council also discussed the Farmers Market. Vendors were hoping for better turnouts from the community. It was further discussed that additional local farmers and home gardeners be able to attend and sell their excess produce. Council suggested that possibly the market consider less frequency as maybe weekly is too often. It was also suggested that they wait to open until later in the year. The Oprens have created a specific email for just the Malvern Market and suggestions or comments can be emailed to [malvernmarket@gmail.com](mailto:malvernmarket@gmail.com).

**FISCAL OFFICER/TAX DEPARTMENT:** Neading provided council with the RITA, Appropriations, Revenue, Fund Status, Receipts, and Payments as of 9/19/22. She highlighted that for revenues, income tax collection is exceeding the budgeted figures for 2022 and there is still a full quarter of collections for the year. Property tax collections also exceeded the budgeted amounts. She noted that appropriations are doing well as the Village heads into the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter. She feels that the overall financial position is strong for the Village as the third quarter comes to an end. Neading completed the Municipal Income Tax Certification with the State of Ohio, which must be done annually. She has been working with Pam Ewing on the waterline projects. Originally for Phase 2, the EPA was going to extend a revolving line of credit and the payment was going to be approximately \$50,000 due in 2024. The OWDA can finance the project and their payment schedule would have a payment due of approximately \$12,000 in 2024. The goal is to receive funding that will cover the design costs and that no loan money will be needed, but in an effort to better cash flow she suggested the Village cancel the EPA loan and switch over to OWDA funding. Neading further reported the Village received \$1,500 from the Carroll County Foundation for the Swing update project in the park. Shoemaker is ordering the new chain. Neading will complete the necessary acceptance paperwork and return the documents.

### VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR:

**MAYOR:** DeLong discussed that the Service Department has been working on patching streets. An electrician was in to do work at the park for lighting. The fencing is completed at the basketball and tennis courts. The tractor is back in the shop for repair. Hydrant flushing will be taking place between the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> of October as weather permits. The service department anticipates leaf cleanup to start the week of October 17<sup>th</sup>. Council discussed trick or treat and set the date for October 27<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 to 7:00. DeLong discussed employee gift cards for Thanksgiving and Christmas. Wackerly made a motion to purchase holiday gift cards for \$50 for each Thanksgiving and Christmas for the seven (7) employees and for Justin Lucas (Carrollton employee who runs the Vac truck for all water breaks) for a total of \$800.00, second by Holmes. All council members voted yes.

**COUNCIL:** Thompson discussed that the Perfect Products building has been vandalized.

Hubbard asked who is responsible for the grass area going up the hill between the wall and road. DeLong explained that it is the property owner's responsibility.

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Wackerly discussed Dancing in the Park and thought it was run very well and everyone did a great job. He also asked about the status of the Nichols property, DeLong was unsure, but will follow up with Kaltenbaugh. He also asked if there was an estimated date for the demolition of the former Hornets Nest. DeLong believes the demolition will start in October.

Holmes asked when the trees along State Route 183 will be removed. DeLong explained the removal was supposed to start today, but due to the rain it was delayed.

**LEGISLATURE:** Motion by Wackerly, second by Hubbard for the first 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 Holmes, second by Wackerly to suspend rule 731.17 for Resolution 2022-15. All council members approved. Motion by Holmes, second by Wackerly to adopt Resolution 2022-15, a Resolution accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Auditor. All council members approved.

Motion by Hubbard, second by Wackerly to suspend rule 731.17 for Resolution 2022-16. All council members approved. Motion by Wackerly, second by Burgess to adopt Resolution 2022-16, a Resolution to enter into a loan with OWDA for the Design of the Waterline Phase 2 project. All council members approved.

**FINANCE:** Motion by Burgess, second by Hubbard to pay the village bills from the appropriate funds for \$16,224.78 pre-approved by the Finance Committee 8/31/2022 and \$51,364.36 on 9/19/2022. Also, \$8,706.37 in payroll pre-approved by the Finance Committee and paid 9/1/2022 and \$9,282.92 paid on 9/15/22.

**QUESTIONS:** Thomas Clapper asked for a quick overview of the waterline projects. Neading and DeLong provided Clapper with the overview.

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

**Next regular council meeting will be Monday, October 3, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at the Malvern Village Hall.**

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Mayor

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Fiscal Officer