

MALVERN VILLAGE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

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Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Mayor DeLong, Burgess, Craig DeLong, Hubbard, Wackerly, Holmes and Wadsworth were in attendance. Neading was also in attendance with Murdock attending via Zoom.

Motion by Holmes, second by Craig DeLong to approve the minutes from the regular meeting of April 21, 2025. Holmes, Craig DeLong, Burgess, Wackerly, and Wadsworth voted yes, Hubbard abstained.

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

LEGISLATURE:

PARK: Hubbard discussed the Encino Grant for the posts in the park. It was discussed that Kaltenbaugh was to submit the grant.

FISCAL OFFICER/TAX DEPARTMENT: Neading provided council with the appropriations, revenue, fund status, payments and receipts as of 5/5/25. She noted that she and Foster have been working with the auditors and it appears as though they are working steadily on the audit at this time. She also discussed that she has been working with Rob Beglin from USI Insurance and Jannai Shields from Winchert Insurance on quotes for the upcoming insurance renewal to have something to compare to the Whitaker Myers proposal. Neading also noted that she received information from AEP, they have filed the appropriate forms with PUCO regarding a hearing for a distribution rate increase and expect to see the increase to occur in 2026.

Wackerly asked about Trebel Energy and if the Village should look into aggregate options for residents. Neading will reach out to Trebel to invite them to the next meeting.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR:

MAYOR: Mayor DeLong reported that Kaltenbaugh has been in contact with the siren company. There is an issue between programming and the Sheriff's Office currently. He also noted that work has begun on the roof at the Water Plant. All leaks have been sealed and they will start moving forward with the remaining work. DeLong reported that the service department patched roads on the 22nd, 23rd and 5th. There is currently an issue with the hot box, it will not heat properly and the tamper broke. It has been taken in to be repaired. The backflow testing for the Water Plant and the Service Garage have been completed by Keister. The EPA was in and took samples from pump #5. Also, the area around the pump needed repaired and insulation needed replaced. The park has been mowed and sticks have been cleaned up. Flags and Senior Banners have been hung throughout town. The hydrant flushing will be done starting on May 6th. They investigated two potential water breaks, but no leaks were detected.

COUNCIL: Burgess discussed Cleanup Day, which will be held May 31st from 8-12. No tires, paint, or batteries will be accepted.

Holmes noted that Brown Township is also having a Cleanup Day on May 10th at Burwells. It was discussed that they will accept tires. Holmes also expressed frustration with the current state of the roads and various complaints he

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has received. He also asked why the asphalt could not be put in the back of a dump truck if the hot box was down. Holmes was going to discuss further with Kaltenbaugh.

Hubbard asked if Community Development had met again or if there had been any further discussion regarding them providing maintenance for the walking track. Burgess explained that they had not had another meeting, but would discuss the walking track at the next meeting.

Wackerly discussed 4-wheelers in the park. It was discussed that the Sheriff should be contacted as it is a safety issue.

Wadsworth noted that she received a letter from Archer Energy regarding electric rates. Neading explained that the Village has not signed any agreements, but she would look into it further.

FINANCE: Motion by Burgess, second by Craig DeLong to pay the village bills from the appropriate funds for \$10,694.81 pre-approved by the Finance Committee 5/5/25 and \$7,734.62 in bi-weekly payroll paid 5/8/25. All council members approved.

QUESTIONS:

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Burgess, second by Craig DeLong to adjourn. All council members approved.

Next regular council meeting will be Monday, May 19, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. at the Malvern Village Hall.

Mayor

Fiscal Officer