

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. Kaltenbaugh and Neading were also in attendance with Murdock attending via Zoom.

Motion by Holmes, second by Craig DeLong to approve the minutes from the regular meeting of October 7, 2024. All council members approved.

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

LEGISLATURE: Motion by Holmes, second by Craig DeLong for the second reading of Resolution 2024-17, 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 Holmes, second by Craig DeLong for the second reading of Resolution 2024-18, A Resolution recognizing the volunteer work of Justin Lucas and Brandon Melville in helping the Service Department for the Village of Malvern, Carroll County, Ohio. All council members approved.

PARK: Hubbard discussed ORC 955.22, requiring dogs to be on a leash no longer than six (6) feet in public places and also the Village's established Park Rules requiring all dogs to be kept on a leash. The concern is an individual allowing his aggressive dog to continue to be loose in the park and is unwilling to leash the dog. It was agreed that if anyone encounters a dog off of a leash, they should contact the Carroll County Dog Warden.

Wadsworth discussed the teeter totter and merry-go-round. He is concerned that there are bad bearings, the merry-go-round will not turn and the teeter totter doesn't move well. Kaltenbaugh will have the service department check the equipment.

It was discussed that the extra portable restrooms are good to be removed, two (2) will be left near the pavilions for the winter. It was also discussed that the bottle fill station needs winterized.

FISCAL OFFICER/TAX DEPARTMENT: Neading provided council with the RITA, Fund Status, Receipts, and Payment reports as of 10/21/2024. She discussed that Foster is progressing well with GASI on the water software conversion. She also discussed the bidding for the next three (3) audits. HHH CPA Group Inc., out of Columbus, scored the highest in the bidding process and will complete audits through 2028. The cost will be \$17,655 per audit for a total engagement of \$52,965. Holmes made a motion to accept engaging with HHH CPA Group Inc., for the next three audit cycles not to exceed \$53,000, second by Burgess. All council members approved. Neading reported that as of now, all of the paperwork for the Army Corps has been submitted and it is estimated that the next item will be the Project Agreement in February.

VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR: Kaltenbaugh reported that the Service Department repaired water leaks, they have been mowing, patching, and cleaning up leaves. He met with Josh Besancon from Engineering Associates for Phase 2 to complete a wetlands survey. He also reported that the safety siren will be installed on Friday and they will be testing the system. He also discussed the Fire Truck that Castellucci had stored in the County Building, the truck is still in the Villages name and the Commissioners want it removed. Craig DeLong will discuss it further at the next Fire Board meeting. Kaltenbaugh discussed needing to move forward with Trebel Energy on the electric

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rates for the Village. He will reach out and setup a meeting to discuss further. He met with the contractor on the school project at the Stadium to discuss layout and waterline locations.

Craig DeLong asked if once the safety siren is installed on Friday if it will be fully in service. Kaltenbaugh explained that it would be installed, programed, and fully functional on Friday.

MAYOR: DeLong asked Kaltenbaugh if there had been any progress with the Wallace Property. Kaltenbaugh has not received a response. He will contact the Health Department. DeLong also asked if there had been contact with owner of the Bridge Street Property with the brick piles, he never completed the cleanup. Kaltenbaugh will follow up with the property owner. DeLong further discussed that there was an issue over the weekend with a car parked inside of the walking track near the playground equipment. It was discussed that a solution was needed to replace the telephone poles to close off vehicle access to the grass areas.

COUNCIL: Burgess asked if Kaltenbaugh could get a price for chip and sealing Clay Street, due to constant complaints from property owners. Kaltenbaugh will reach out to Brown Township first, since they now have the equipment.

Holmes discussed that there were dirt bikes in the park over the weekend and drove all through the park.

Wackerly reported that he attended the most recent Ambulance Board meeting, there had been 95 calls in September. They are also working on an addition for the building that will start in November and take approximately 3 months to complete. Mike Yerrick Construction will be completing the work.

FINANCE: Motion by Burgess, second by Craig DeLong to pay the village bills from the appropriate funds for \$11,565.34 pre-approved by the Finance Committee 10/21/2024. Also, \$9,987.11 in payroll pre-approved by the Finance Committee and paid 10/10/24. All council members approved.

QUESTIONS:

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

Next regular council meeting will be Monday, November 4, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. at the Malvern Village Hall.

Mayor

Fiscal Officer