

# City of Malvern

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## Minutes of the Malvern City Council

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Monday, May 8, 2023

6:30 PM

City Council Chambers  
Malvern Police Department

The Malvern City Council met for its regular monthly meeting on Monday, May 8, 2023, at 6:30 in the council chambers located in Malvern Police Department at 110 North Main Street.

**I. CALL TO ORDER BY MAYOR BRENDA WELDON AT 6:30 P.M.**

Mayor Weldon called the meeting to order.

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION**

Alderman Matthew Keenan led the invocation.

**III. ROLL CALL BY CLERK/TREASURER KIM TABER**

Council Members Present 8 - Sam Bryant; William Wilson; Lynn Davis;  
Wayne Reynolds; Peggy Lusinger; Matthew Keenan;  
Michael Smith; David Cross

Council Members Absent 0 -

Also present was City Treasurer/Clerk Kim Taber, City Attorney Cecilia Ashcraft was absent.

**IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

A motion was made by Council Member Cross, seconded by Council Member Keenan, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on April 10, 2023. The motion passed and minutes were approved with the following vote.

Aye: 8 - Sam Bryant; William Wilson; Lynn Davis; Wayne Reynolds;  
Peggy Lusinger; Matthew Keenan; Michael Smith; David Cross

Absent: 0 -

**V. APPROVAL OF DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

A motion was made by Council Member Davis, seconded by Council Member Lusinger, to Accept the Departmental Reports as posted. Council Member Keenan stated he didn't see the Fire/Code Office reports in the folder, and Mayor Weldon placed the reports in the folder for the council's approval; the mayor acknowledged the motion and second. The motion passed and reports were accepted with the following vote.

Aye: 8 - Sam Bryant; William Wilson; Lynn Davis; Wayne Reynolds;  
Peggy Lusinger; Matthew Keenan; Michael Smith; David Cross

Absent: 0 -

**VI. OLD BUSINESS****VII. NEW BUSINESS****A. A RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION 01-2023 AND THE 2023 BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF MALVERN, ARKANSAS**

Council Member Keenan introduced the resolution, Clerk/Treasurer Taber read the resolution. A motion was made by Council Member Davis, seconded by Council Member Keenan to adopt the resolution. The motion passed with the following vote and assigned Resolution NO. 05-2023

Aye: 8 - Sam Bryant; William Wilson; Lynn Davis; Wayne Reynolds;  
Peggy Lusinger; Matthew Keenan; Michael Smith; David Cross  
Absent: 0 -

**RESOLUTION NO. 05-2023****A RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION 01-2023 AND THE 2023 BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF MALVERN, ARKANSAS****B. Approve DOW Cleaning Service/Contract**

Mayor stated, at this time, she was not asking for an amendment of the budget; it could hopefully be absorbed. A motion was made by Council member Cross, seconded by Council Member Smith to approve the DOW cleaning service for various city offices twice a week and for the mayor to sign the contract. The motion passed with the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Sam Bryant; William Wilson; Lynn Davis; Wayne Reynolds;  
Peggy Lusinger; Matthew Keenan; Michael Smith; David Cross  
Absent: 0 -

**C. Approve Bill of Assurance for Water Connection**

Mayor reminded this council this was for a connection on Oliver Lancaster Blvd, and it was at no cost to the city; the lines are already in place. A motion was made by Council member Cross, seconded by Council Member Lusinger to approve the Bill of Assurance for Water Connection. The motion was passed with the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Sam Bryant; William Wilson; Lynn Davis; Wayne Reynolds;  
Peggy Lusinger; Matthew Keenan; Michael Smith; David Cross  
Absent: 0 -

**D. Approve Water Department Finance Manager Todd Corley to apply for credit card with Malvern National Bank**

Mayor stated it has become necessary, as some places will no longer send a bill. She noted the city does have one with a \$5,000 limit that is checked out as needed to department heads only, asking Water Department Manager David Coston if he would do the same. Coston stated Todd Corley would be the only one using it mainly for online purchases. Still, he would have access, too, if needed. Council Member Keenan asked what the limit would be, which David Coston stated, \$5,000. A motion was made by Council member Smith, seconded by Council Member Reynolds to approve Todd Corley to apply for a credit card for the Malvern Water Department. The motion passed with the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Sam Bryant; William Wilson; Lynn Davis; Wayne Reynolds;  
Peggy Lusinger; Matthew Keenan; Michael Smith; David Cross  
Absent: 0 -

**E. Citizens Wishing to Appear – Jeremey Skaggs**


Mayor acknowledged to Mr. Skaggs that she knew he wanted to wait to be on the agenda for next month but asked if he would still like to address the council; Mr. Skaggs stated he would wait until next month's council meeting.

**F. Mayor Reports**

Councilmember Cross asked about progress on the Skate Park. Mayor stated the first phase was complete and was ready for the next phase. She said she would set up a meeting with the Parks Committee to discuss the next phase so both Councilmember Cross and Mr. Latham could attend. Mayor stated the back drainage ditch had been worked on and was complete. Councilmember Cross confirmed with the mayor the city currently had \$17,000 invested, and \$13,000 was left.

**G. Adjournment**

A motion was made by Council Member Keenan, seconded by Council Member Reynolds to adjourn. With no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned.

  
Kim Taber, City Clerk/Treasurer



  
Brenda J. Weldon, Mayor