

February 3, 2026 at 7:00 PM - Board of Trustees Meeting Special Meeting

The Trustees of the Village of Malcolm met on Tuesday, February 3, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. in open session at the Malcolm Fire Department located at 200 Malcolm Rd, Malcolm, NE for such business as shall come before said Trustees. Notice of the meeting was in the Lincoln Journal Star and posted at the Village Hall, Malcolm Post office, Malcolm Fire Department, and on the Malcolm Website on January 21, 2026.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Nick Benes: Present, Mike Faubion: Present, Jerad Little: Present, Jack Tarr: Present. Jason Lemkau: Present

OPEN MEETINGS ACT REQUIREMENT

OPEN MEETINGS ACT is posted and located on the east wall of the Village Hall.

BUSINESS

Consideration of Annexation

David Solheim and Matt Blaser with Solheim Law Firm presented the legal timeline, statutory requirements, and procedural steps for municipal annexation under Nebraska law. Craig Bennett with Miller & Associates reviewed engineering and planning considerations, including contiguity requirements, infrastructure impacts, roadway jurisdiction, service planning, and long-term maintenance responsibilities. Craig explained that annexation of contiguous parcels would automatically bring the adjacent county road under village jurisdiction, allowing the Village to implement traffic-calming measures, manage maintenance, and improve public safety near the recreational complex. Additional discussion addressed road geometry, speed limit feasibility, bridge ownership considerations, maintenance responsibilities, and emergency access concerns. The Board reviewed information presented regarding potential annexation of village-owned properties, including the wastewater treatment plant, ball fields, and the connecting county roadway. Discussion included the legal process for annexation under Nebraska law, requirements for contiguity, service plan obligations, and potential benefits such as improved jurisdictional control, road maintenance authority, speed limit regulation, safety enhancements, and protection of recent infrastructure investments. The Board also discussed alternative options, including removal of existing right-of-way encroachments without annexation. No formal action was taken at this time. The matter will remain under consideration pending further evaluation, landowner coordination, and additional review of infrastructure, legal, and financial impacts.

VISITOR PERIOD

DATE OF NEXT MEETING(S), FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND/OR ADJOURN

Jerad Little made a motion to moved to adjourn at 9:37 pm. Mike Faubion seconded the motion. Motion Carried

- Jerad Little: *Yea*
- Jack Tarr: *Yea*
- Jason Lemkau: *Yea*
- Nick Benes: *Yea*
- Mike Faubion: *Yea*

April Faubion, Village Clerk