

Regular Meeting
City Hall, Marysville, Kansas-March 14, 2022

Members of the Governing Body of the City of Marysville were called to order in regular session at 7:00 p.m. on the date and place noted above with Mayor Barnes in the chair. City Administer St. John and City Clerk Holle was also present.

After the Pledge of Allegiance, roll call was answered by the following council members: Frye, Keating, Snellings, Beikman, Goracke, Price, Behrens, and Throm. A quorum was present.

The minutes from the February 28th regular meeting were presented for approval. CM Throm moved, CM Snellings seconded to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried by 8-0 voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

BUSINESS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. **FLOWER GARDEN FUNDS REQUEST.** Diane Schroller and a group of women asked the City to reimburse up to a total of \$500 for flowers and supplies purchased for the 7th Street Corridor, Water Tower Hill, and the Flower Garden in City Park. CM Throm moved to approve up to \$500 reimbursement funds for flowers and supplies with the receipts supplied to City Hall, CM Goracke seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
2. **HOMEOWNER ASSISTANCE.** Diane Schroller and Darlene Boss presented a request to start a program to pay homeowners for lumber, paint, doors, windows, trees, and shrubs. They requested the City provide information to local citizens about City Codes, nuisance regulations and assistance programs. Several Council Members said there are programs available in many places for low-income families for home repairs. The City of Topeka received a large grant to fund projects in their city for low-income families which Topeka used to facilitate grants for home repairs. It was also mentioned citizens should put house numbers on their property. CM Frye suggested the Police & Fire Committee could meet and discuss the patrolling officers could record nuisance violations they see.
3. **CDBG GRANT AGREEMENT FOR LAGOON PROJECT.** The grant agreement NO. 22-PF-025 for \$600,000 between the State of Kansas Department of Commerce and the City of Marysville to update the lagoons was presented for approval. CM Throm moved to approve grant agreement 22-PF-025 with the Kansas Department of Commerce, CM Frye seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
4. **KIWANIS EASTER EGG HUNT.** Ryan Smith from the Kiwanis requested to use the City Park for the annual Easter Egg Hunt on April 9, 2022. They would like to close the park entrances from 12:00p.m. to 2:00 p.m. CM Throm moved to allow the Kiwanis to close the City Park entrances for the annual Easter Egg Hunt and the City will supply the cones. Snellings seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

NOTICES AND HEARINGS:

CONSENT AGENDA. The Consent Agenda was presented for consideration. CM Frye moved; CM Throm seconded to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried unanimously. The Consent Agenda consisted of the following:

1. Alcohol Consumption-Marshall County Arts Cooperative artist reception, March 31, 2022, at Lee Dam Art Center.
2. Marysville Methodist Church requests to use Lions Parks on April 9, 2022, for their Easter Egg Hunt from 10:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. with the hunt taking place at 2:00 p.m.
3. City Clerk's Report for February showed \$44,752.66 collected in receipts with a like amount being deposited with the City Treasurer.
4. Cash balances in funds as of February 28, 2022, were presented as well as outstanding debt and receivable balances. Revenue/Expenditure Budget Reports through February 2022 showed unadjusted accumulated revenues in the General Fund of \$1,035,702 or 40% of budget; Water Revenue Fund, \$136,515 or 15% of budget, Sewer Revenue Fund, \$529,999 or 69% of budget. Unadjusted statement of expenditures in the General Fund totaled \$400,785 or 14% of budget, Water Revenue Fund, \$127,281 or 9% of budget, and Sewer Revenue Fund, \$100,689 or 9% of budget.
5. Municipal Judge's Report for January showed \$1,773.50 being deposited with the City Treasurer and \$164.50 being forwarded to the State Treasurer for Judicial Branch Education, court costs and law enforcement training.

APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE NO. 3768

1. Claims against the funds of the City were submitted for Council consideration as follows: General Fund, \$146,186.10; Water Revenue Fund, \$18,396.74; Sewage Revenue Fund, \$12,002.14; Special Improvement Fund, \$153,433.75; Library Revolving Fund, \$6,754.52; Library, \$3,192.95; Library Employee Benefits, \$1,444.13; Swim Pool Sales Tax, \$124.44; Koester Block Maintenance, \$301.03; Employee Benefits, \$30,772.84; Transient Guest Tax, \$3,912.34; Sales Tax Improvements, \$14,840.76; making a total of \$391,361.74.
2. An appropriations ordinance was introduced and considered to honor claims against the funds of the City as audited by the Finance Committee. CM Throm moved, CM Behrens seconded to approve the appropriations ordinance totaling \$391,361.74.
3. Motion to approve the appropriations ordinance carried by 8-0 roll call vote. City Clerk Holle assigned Ordinance No. 3768.

STAFF REPORTS:

WATER/WASTEWATER:

1. **SEWER VAC TRUCK OPTIONS.** WWS Bargman presented four options regarding the sewer vac truck damaged by freezing. Option 1-repair the vac bed on the truck which is estimated to be at least \$36,974.67 and then sell the truck; Option 2-remove everything down to the chassis and sell. The estimate by a truck dealer to sell the truck is approximately \$30,000.00; Option 3-remove everything down to the chassis, install hydraulics and a dump box for approximately \$32,000.00 and use the truck in the Street Department. If the City needs a dump truck the truck dealer thought Option 3 would be the best option because the truck has low miles. The Street Department could remove the box, or the dealer could remove the box for about \$2,000.00. Option 4-sell the truck as is the estimate from some interested parties is \$20,000.00. The Council

consensus is to keep the truck and put new hydraulics and a snowplow on it. WWS Bargman will get a quote to remove the old bed and install the snowplow and dump bed and a pintle hitch. The City will also sell the vac pump from the old truck.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR:

- 1. FIRE STATION FLOORING.** CA St. John included a quote from Feldkamp's Furniture, Marysville for \$11,884.48 for all options. This would include entry way \$232.80, carpet squares for meeting room \$5,558.00, vinyl tile squares for the kitchen and bathrooms on the meeting room side only \$2,992.68, additional supplies \$800.00 and labor \$2,301.00. After discussion, Council asked to get a quote to remove the cove trim so the carpet could be laid against the wall and then replace the trim and touch up the paint, as necessary. Council decided to carpet the meeting room, office and entry door only pending the updated quote. Council would also like a quote to use only one-color carpet square but incorporate a pattern.
- 2. BLEACHERS FOR FELDHAUSEN FIELD.** CA St. John presented for information only two options to update the bleachers at Feldhausen Field. If the City would remove the deteriorated wooden seats and replace them with aluminum seats, it would cost approximately \$27,344.87. If the City would replace the bleachers totally with new aluminum bleachers it would cost approximately \$26,932 plus freight. No action was taken. The Council discussed conducting a fund raiser to pay for the improvements.
- 3. FINANCIALS.** CA St. John updated the Governing Body on the status of General Fund, Water Revenue Fund, Sewer Revenue Fund and Sales Tax Improvement Fund. A Capital Projects report was also included. CA St. John noted the loan for the sewer vac truck is showing in the sewer fund, the truck will be paid for in April. He also noted the pool fund will make a final payment to the sales tax fund in the fall to complete the pool bond pay-off.

CITY CLERK:

- 1. ALLIANCE INSURANCE-EMC INSURANCE RENEWAL.** Jen Sedlacek the agent from Alliance Insurance included a quote for the City's annual insurance renewal for property, liability, and vehicles on April 1, 2022. The quote is \$144,260 which included the library's share. The increase for the City's share is approximately \$16,000 which is due mostly to higher property valuations and the addition of the new fire station. CM Throm moved to approve the renewal for \$144,260. CM Behrens seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
- 2. POOL PUNCH CARD PRICING.** CC Holle presented a suggested price increase for Pool Punch Cards. The entry fee increased at the pool to \$5 which is an increase of \$1. The increase in the punch cards would be \$.50 per entry. 10 punches would cost \$40 and 20 punches would cost \$70. These cards can be used by anyone and are good for the current season only. CM Frye suggested that we leave the punch cards at the current price which is \$35 for 10 punches and \$60 for 20 punches and the Council agreed.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

STREET:

1. **SWEEPER OUT RUNNING THE STREETS.** CM Throm said the street sweeper was out cleaning up salt from the streets.
2. **TRASH CANS ON BROADWAY.** CM Frye suggested the City should update the trash cans on Broadway. He also would like to add a trash can near the corner of 10th and Broadway on the south side near the Koester Museum. There are 21 trash cans from 4th to 10th and 11th to 12th. The present trash cans are approximately 30 gallons and cans on pedestals were suggested. A committee can research styles and local businesses should be consulted.
3. **5 YEAR PLAN FOR STREET IMPROVEMENTS.** CM Keating asked for a copy of the 5-year plan for major street improvements. CA St. John said it is on the website and it is updated yearly if a road needs immediate attention. CM Keating will be provided a copy of the plan.
4. **WIDEN N. 9TH STREET.** CM Frye asked if the City is still working with the Murphy's concerning widening the curve on N. 9th Street near the elementary school playground. Council said Murphy's are interested in allowing the City to make the improvement if the City is willing to replace their retaining wall. CA St. John will talk to the City Attorney about an easement.

WATER & WASTEWATER:

PARKS & RECREATION:

1. **POOL.** Council asked if the contractor who will repair the pool had been contacted. CA St. John reported Continental Pool should be here in a couple of weeks to look at the pool.
2. **BALLPARKS.** Council said the ballparks are looking good. CM Price asked if he could move the boards in the new fence closer together because lights shining through the boards is distracting to the players. CM Price also asked when the remaining portions of the fence will be installed. The lights have been installed and Every and Hanover Electric needs to complete the hookup. He asked if the foul ball netting had been ordered and when the poles would be installed. CA St. John said the holes should be drilled this week. CM Price asked when the roll-up doors for the concession stand at Lakeview and the rods for the foul ball net had been ordered. He also asked when new ceiling fans would be installed would be installed at Lakeview concession stand.

CEMETERY & AIRPORT:

1. **AIRPORT BUILDING.** CC Holle said that Inline was painting the interior of the building and the epoxy floor should be installed next week. The guttering will be done as the weather allows.

POLICE & FIRE:

1. **COMMITTEE MEETING ON NUISANCES.** The council would like the Police and Fire Committee to meet to discuss the police enforcement of City Codes with vehicles and other nuisances. Some nuisances are enforced by the code enforcer and some nuisances are enforced by police. Council discussed the proposal by Diane Schroller and Darlene Boss. The council said if we had a grant then funding projects would be considered, but they do not want to be in the business of painting houses. CC Holle will set up a Police and Fire Committee meeting when

Police Chief Simpson returns from training. The Council also discussed the pros and cons of the City facilitating a citywide clean-up of junk.

ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE:

1. **EMPLOYEE APPLICATIONS.** It was reported that notices have been placed in several places for seasonal employees for the Code Enforcer, Pool, Water/Sewer Department, Street Department, and the Park/Cemetery Department. Also, full-time employment in the Water/Sewer Department.

APPOINTMENTS:

CITY ATTORNEY:

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 8:40 p.m. CM Goracke moved to recess in executive session to discuss possible acquisition of real estate pursuant to the acquisition of real estate exception K.S.A. 75-4319 (b) (6) and to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel, discussion on specific personnel matters, not general personnel policies, exception KSA 75-4319 (b) (1). This session will include the Mayor and the City Council. The open meeting will resume in the city council chamber at 8:55 p.m. CM Throm seconded. Motion carried 8-0. At 8:55 p.m. council reconvened. Mayor Barnes reported no action was taken during the executive session and the regular session was continuing.

ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION:

1. **GREAT JOB SNOW CREW.** CM Frye said the snow crew did a great job.
2. **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.** CM Beikman said he thought the City could find money to use to help fund the projects suggested by Diane Schroller and Darlene Boss. Mayor Barnes said the City already funds some of the projects and there are other programs that help fund home repairs if you qualify. CM Frye commented about the difficulty in administering this type of program. Mayor Barnes said the City should target nuisances.
3. **FECES AT DOG PARK.** CM Throm said he had heard lots of complaints about people at the Bark Park not cleaning up after their dogs. There are 2 doggies pot stations at the Bark Park. CM Throm said the City crews will not clean up the park.
4. **TRASH AT FIRE STATION.** CM Price asked for a small trash container from Temps Disposal service to be placed at the new Fire Station.
5. **TENNIS COURT AGREEMENT.** CM Frye asked about the tennis court improvement agreement. City Attorney McNish is working on the agreement.

There being no further business, at 9:03 p.m. CM Beikman moved to adjourn, CM Frye seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Cindy Holle
City Clerk