

Regular Meeting
City Hall, Marysville, Kansas-November 27, 2023

Members of the Governing Body of the City of Marysville were called to order in the regular session at 7:00 p.m. on the date and place noted above with Mayor Barnes in the chair. Interim City Administrator Pederson, City Attorney McNish and City Clerk Holle were also present.

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

The minutes from the November 13th regular meeting were presented for approval. CM Throm moved; CM Price seconded to approve the minutes as amended. Motion carried by 7-0 voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

1. **SHARON KESSINGER-KOESTER MUSEUM.** Sharon Kessinger addressed the Council regarding Jill Schmidt working weekends in December at the Koester House Museum totaling 36 hours. Ralph Balaun asked for statistics about income and expenses at the Koester House Museum for the years previous of 2022 and 2023.

BUSINESS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. **MICRO-COMM AGREEMENT.** The Micro-Comm telemetry system service contract SC0012 will expire on 1/1/24. This agreement includes damage caused by lightning, Micro-Comm will provide part replacement, phone support and internet troubleshooting. CM Throm moved, CM Goracke seconded to renew the contract with Micro-Comm for \$3,350.00 for 1 year. Motion carried unanimously.
2. **ORDINANCE NO. 1924 APPROPRIATING MONEY FY 2024 PAYROLL.** Ordinance 1924 was presented. *An ordinance appropriating money from the various funds to pay payroll of the City of Marysville, Kansas for FY2024.* The 2024 budget was adopted on August 28, 2023. This ordinance authorizes the City Clerk to pay payroll for the fiscal year 2024 from various funds. CM Throm moved; CM Behrens seconded to approve Ordinance No. 1924. Motion carried 7-0.
3. **REPLAT BRAUCHI HEIGHTS 2 SUBDIVISION.** The Planning Commission approved the replat of the Brauchi Heights 2 Subdivision with a permanent travel easement to lot 4A-1 and 4A-2. Spencer-Walcott Properties LLC owns the property and has secured a letter of assurance for \$118,500.00 from Citizens State Bank of Marysville to complete the sewer line that is required when the lots are sold. CM Keating moved, CM Frye seconded to approve the easements and dedications of land for public purposes on the replat of Brauchi Heights 2 Subdivision. Motion carried unanimously.
4. **HIGHWAY 36 MANHOLE PROJECT.** ICA Pederson presented an analysis of the balances in the Sewer Revenue Fund and the Sewer Replacement Fund. The Council discussed the time frame to accept the manhole project which is 60 days from November 2. CM Beikman moved; CM Behrens seconded to table the decision until the 2nd meeting in December. Motion carried unanimously.
5. **KOESTER MUSEUM HOURS.** Mayor Barnes added the request from the Koester Museum to the agenda. After discussion CM Keating moved, CM Throm seconded to allow Jill Schmidt to work up to 42 hours to the end of 2023. Motion carried 6-1 with CM Behrens voting no.

NOTICES AND HEARINGS:

CONSENT AGENDA.

1. **EMPLOYEE GIFT CERTIFICATES.** CM Throm moved; CM Behrens seconded to approve \$75 gift certificates in Chamber Bucks to all full-time employees totaling \$2400.00. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE NO. 3810

1. Claims against the funds of the City were submitted for Council consideration as follows: General Fund, \$80,614.63; Water Revenue Fund, \$49,729.69; Sewage Revenue Fund, \$110,576.29; Sewer Replacement Fund, \$4,447.25; Special Improvement Fund, \$8,693.50; Library Revolving Fund, \$11,398.52; Koester Block Maintenance, \$1,228.42; Employee Benefit, \$32,817.71; Transient Guest Tax, \$5,385.59; Sales Tax Improvements, \$147,163.59 making a total of \$452,055.19.
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 Goracke seconded to approve the appropriations ordinance totaling \$452,055.19.
3. Motion to approve the appropriations ordinance carried by 7-0 roll call vote. City Clerk Holle assigned Ordinance No. 3810.

STAFF REPORTS:

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

1. **SURPLUS PROPERTY.** PC Simpson asked to have a 2007 Ford Mustang VIN 1ZVFT80N375254260 which was seized and was awarded to the Police Department by the District Court declared as surplus. The proceeds will be added to the Special Law Fund. PC Simpson also asked for the 2016 Ford Explorer vehicle #1000, a bicycle, Honda motorized bicycle, motorized bike with no brand, Razor scooter, and a leaf blower be declared surplus to be sold on Purple Wave Auction with the proceeds being deposited in the General Fund. CM Frye moved; CM Throm seconded to declare the police department property as surplus. Motion carried unanimously.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

1. **JAWS OF LIFE TOOLS.** FC Ballman presented an estimate to purchase a ram for \$9,650.00, spreader for \$13,750.00, cutter for \$12,500.00 and \$405.00 freight, totaling \$36,305.00. The Fire Departments rescue tools were taken out of service when tested. Each part has 2 batteries and 1 charger. This will be purchased from the Municipal Equipment Reserve Fund and reimbursed with the 2024 budget from the Fire Department funds. CM Throm moved; CM Frye seconded to purchase the rescue tools from Danko for \$36,305.00. Motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATION:

1. **EMPLOYEE COLA RAISES.** ICA Pederson included in the agenda the Consumer Price Index in the Midwest Region as reported by the Bureau of Labor Statistics for October as being 2.9%. His recommendation was to give a 5% COLA raise. CM Frye moved; CM Keating seconded to approve a 3.7% COLA for City Employees. Motion carried unanimously.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

STREET:

1. **BRICKS ON BROADWAY.** CM Throm asked if the City has bricks to repair the holes on Broadway near the new Health Department. CC Holle said the Street Department would remove some of the bricks along the edge near 7th Street that match for patching and use bricks the City has in reserve to replace those along the edge.

WATER & WASTEWATER:

1. **FUNDING MECHANISM STORM WATER.** CM Frye said the Water/Sewer Committee should meet to begin forming a plan to fund storm water improvements.
2. **8TH AND ELM WATER PROJECT.** Jadwin Construction will begin vacuuming lines this week on the 8th and Elm water project.

PARKS & RECREATION:

1. **FLAGPOLE AT LAKEVIEW.** CM Keating asked the City crews to recover the plaque that was displayed at the flagpole at Lakeview Complex. He asked if the flag would be replaced.

CEMETERY/AIRPORT:

POLICE AND FIRE:

1. **JAKE BRAKES.** Mayor Barnes said he had received some complaints about the use of jake brakes on trucks with straight pipes.

ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE:

APPOINTMENTS:

CITY ATTORNEY:

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION:

1. **POLICE DEPARTMENT.** CM Frye commended the Police Department for the large amount of grants they have received to purchase equipment and for their positive outreach to the community.
2. **SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY.** CM Throm reported there was a nice crowd at the Christmas Tree Lighting with caroling and firepits on Friday night and at the Saturday Small Business Saturday.
3. **MAYOR BARNES FAREWELL.** Mayor Barnes said it has been a pleasure to serve Marysville for the last 4 years as Mayor and the 2 previous years as a council member.
4. **SANTA PARADE.** CM Beikman reminded everyone the Christmas Parade with Santa's arrival will be Saturday, December 2 at 2:00 p.m.

There being no further business, at 7:53 p.m. CM Frye moved to adjourn, CM Beikman seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Cindy Holle
City Clerk