

Regular Meeting  
City Hall, Marysville, Kansas-May 23, 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 Administrator St. John, 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, Snellings, Beikman, Price, Behrens, and Throm. CM Goracke was absent. A quorum was present.

The minutes from the May 9<sup>th</sup> regular meeting were presented for approval. CM Throm moved; CM Keating seconded to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried 7-0 voice vote.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

1. **BLACK SQUIRREL STATUES.** C & T President, Mandy Cook reported the squirrel statues should arrive in the next two weeks for the artists to begin painting. There are two statues whose designs have not been approved yet. The map showing the location of these 16 new squirrel statues will be complete in the next couple of weeks.

**BUSINESS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

1. **SWIM TEAM ADDITIONAL PRACTICE TIME REQUEST.** Audrey Pisl, Marysville Swim Team Coach requested the Council change the Swimming Pool Policy to add an additional swim team practice time. Current policy states the swim team may practice 11:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Audrey would like to add an additional time from 8:15 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. Time for swim lessons was discussed. The Swim Team coaches said they would move their swimmers out of the way to make room when swim lessons are conducted. CM Frye moved to change the Swim Pool Policy to add an additional practice time for the Marysville Swim Team from 8:15 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. CM Snellings seconded. Motion carried 5-2 with CM Behrens and CM Throm voting no.
2. **PONY EXPRESS BARN & MUSEUM ALLEY CLOSING.** Toby Carrig, Museum Director asked to have the alley from 8<sup>th</sup> Street to the east edge of the Museum closed for a breakfast fundraiser. The request is for Tuesday, June 7 from 6 a.m. to noon. The Museum has approval from the Post Office, the Advocate, Ar-Ex and DME. CM Throm moved to approve closing the alley between 8<sup>th</sup> Street east to the end of the Museum on June 7, CM Beikman seconded. Motion carried 7-0. CM Beikman suggested the breakfast begin earlier to accommodate people who go to work early.
3. **BLACK SQUIRREL CELEBRATION UPDATE.** Convention & Tourism Director Toby Carrig told the Council the hot air balloon event during the October Black Squirrel Celebration has been cancelled. When the Committee has another plan, they will bring it back to Council.
4. **ORDINANCE 1905 REZONING 1065 PONY EXPRESS HIGHWAY.** CC Holle presented Ordinance 1905 as requested by the Council. *AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND THE UNIFIED LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE BY REZONING A TRACT OF LAND DESCRIBED IN SECTION 1 HEREIN FROM SR SUBURBAN RESIDENTIAL TO I-2 GENERAL INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT THE SOUTH PORTION OF THE PROPERTY WILL REMAIN C-3 HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL WITHIN THE ZONING LIMITS OF THE CITY OF MARYSVILLE,*

KANSAS. CM Throm moved to approve the rezoning of 1065 Pony Express Highway to I-2 Ordinance 1905, CM Beikman seconded. Motion carried 6-0-1 with CM Keating abstaining.

#### **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 7-0. The Consent Agenda consisted of the following:

1. Convention and Tourism request totaling \$2,500.00 as follows: \$2,500.00 donation to the Big Blue River Days for advertising.
2. Alcohol Consumption-Marshall County Arts Cooperative artist reception, Thursday, June 16, 2022, at Lee Dam Art Center.

#### **APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE NO. 3773**

1. Claims against the funds of the City were submitted for Council consideration as follows: General Fund, \$90,730.24; Water Revenue Fund, \$43,376.39; Sewage Revenue Fund, \$27,943.04; Airport Revolving Fund, \$30,952.50; Sewage Replacement Fund, \$30,375.00; Fire Insurance Proceeds, \$5,700.00; Library Revolving, \$6,640.45; Swim Pool Sales Tax, \$4,697.51; Koester Block Maintenance, \$8,693.43; Employee Benefit Fund, \$31,048.18; Transient Guest Tax, \$5,440.56; Municipal Equipment Reserve, \$10,951.95; Capital Improvements, \$3,500.00; Sales Tax Improvements, \$32,926.59; making a total of \$332,975.84.
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 Beikman seconded to approve the appropriations ordinance totaling \$332,975.84. Motion to approve the appropriations ordinance carried by 7-0 roll call vote. City Clerk Holle assigned Ordinance No. 3773.

#### **STAFF REPORTS:**

#### **ADMINISTRATOR:**

1. **CAROLINA STREET STORM SEWER UPDATE.** CA St. John updated the Council on the storm sewer replacement on Carolina Street between 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Street. Hydro-Klean cameraed the line and reported the problem at the wrong manhole. This caused the City to make repairs from manhole to manhole which will result in an additional \$60,000.00 in cost. CA St. John is negotiating with Hydro-Klean to see if they will reimburse some of the cost. CM Throm asked if the City is confident the report from Hydro-Klean on Highway 36 manholes is correct. There was an error, but it has been corrected.
2. **BUDGET WORKSHOP.** The budget workshop will be Thursday, May 26, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall.

## **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

### **STREET:**

- 1. CHIP AND SEAL COST.** CM Throm asked if the oil for chip and seal had gone up significantly because the price of oil and gas has. CA St. John said he would get a current price, but the City had reduced the number of seal routes to two this year because of the overlay on N 16th Street and 11<sup>th</sup> Road so the cost of the two routes should be within our budget. The City is waiting on Hall Brothers to make and allow us to get cold mix to patch the streets. As soon as the City gets the material the Street Department plans to seal right away. CM Price suggested the City look for material at other plants. The bid from Hall Brothers for the overlays was accepted in February so that bid should be firm.
- 2. AHRS CURB AND GUTTER FROM 2021.** CM Throm asked when AHRS would come and finish the Curb and Gutter project from 2021. No date has been set.

### **WATER & WASTEWATER:**

- 1. LAGOON PROJECT.** The Council asked how far BG Consultants were with the engineering on the Lagoon Project. CA St. John said KDHE was researching the design. The reports show the City's inflow is down, which means our previous repairs to the sewer lines are working. The City may be able to gravity flow the water to the wetlands using an existing pipe under the river instead of installing a lift station which would save the City \$500,000.00. BG will continue to finish the design engineering.

### **PARKS & RECREATION:**

- 1. SWIM POOL CHANGES FOR 2022 ONLY.** The Parks & Recreation Committee met and made recommendations about pool operations for 2022. The under writer for EMC Insurance advised the City not to allow swimming without a lifeguard present. After discussion about the shortage of workers available, CM Price moved, CM Throm seconded to amend the Swim Pool Policy for 2022 as follows: 14-year-old may work in the concessions and admissions; Pool closed Mondays; Boards and slides will shut down at 7:00 p.m. daily to allow for cleaning. Motion carried unanimously. Due to the shortage of lifeguards, there will be no pool parties and no morning swim.
- 2. SWIM POOL REPAIRS.** Council asked when the plumbing company would come to repair the cracked pipe at the pool. CA St. John said Lexington Plumbing would be here Tuesday morning. Lexington Plumbing is also repairing a piece of the boiler.
- 3. COUNTY FUNDING.** CM Frye said the Marshall County Commissioner from the Marysville District told him there is some county funding available for parks. CM Frye suggested the City make improvements at Dargatz Park. The Parks and Recreation Committee will meet and discuss updates.
- 4. DOG PARK NEEDS MOWING.** CM Snellings reported citizens have complained to her about the need to keep the Marysville Bark Park mowed. Council said the dog park volunteers need to mow the park.

**CEMETERY & AIRPORT:**

1. **CEMETERY MOWING.** CM Price reminded the Parks and Cemetery Department the Marysville Cemetery needs to be their priority this week. CA St. John reported they had weed-whacked the entire cemetery today.

**POLICE & FIRE:**

**ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE:**

1. **LAND BANK.** Mayor Barnes asked if the Council had read the information on a Land Bank. The Admin & Finance committee will discuss it in more detail in July.
2. **APARTMENT BUILDING 205 N 10<sup>TH</sup> ST.** Several Council members reported the condemned apartment building at 205 N 10th Street was deteriorating more.

**APPOINTMENTS:**

**CITY ATTORNEY:**

1. **CONDEMNED APARTMENT BUILDING 205 N 10<sup>TH</sup> ST.** City Attorney McNish said he had written an agreement with the City, First Commerce Bank and the County concerning the back taxes and the demolition of the building at 205 N 10<sup>th</sup> Street. After the agreement is reviewed, he will distribute it to all parties involved. The back taxes are due for 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021 totaling \$13,006. CA McNish would like the City to obtain current bids to demolish the apartment building. The City must turn in all assessments to the County Clerk for inclusion on the tax roll by August 25. CA McNish is trying to arrange for the City's lien to have first priority. He suggested the City board up the large window in the front and fence off the central courtyard.
2. **RESEARCH TAXING DISTRICT.** CA McNish is researching a taxing district for the 11<sup>th</sup> Road, Keystone Road, and 12<sup>th</sup> Road.
3. **MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING.** CA McNish is working on the Memorandum of Understanding regarding placement of the new Black Squirrel Statues.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION:**

1. **CURB AND GUTTER ON S 15<sup>TH</sup> STREET.** CM Frye said the curb and gutter on S 15<sup>h</sup> Street is getting water under the surface and eroding the gutter. The City has a list of the worst curbs.
2. **CATCH BASIN 401 CALHOUN.** CM Behrens said it had been reported to her the catch basin at 401 Calhoun has been painted red because some people are parking there and ruining tires.

3. **ELECTRIC CHARGING STATION.** CM Frye reported Waterville has an electric vehicle charging station. He would like the City to research the cost for a charging station. The City has tried to pursue this previously and will look at grants as well.
4. **POPPY DAY MAY 27.** Mayor Barnes read a proclamation declaring May 27, 2022, Poppy Day and ask all citizens pay tribute to those who have made the ultimate sacrifice in the name of freedom by wearing the Memorial Poppy on this day.

There being no further business, at 8:16 p.m. CM Frye moved to adjourn, CM Throm seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Cindy Holle  
City Clerk