

Regular Meeting  
City Hall, Marysville, Kansas-March 25, 2024

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 Frye in the chair. City Attorney Westbrook and City Clerk Holle were also present.

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

The minutes from the March 11<sup>th</sup> Special Meeting were presented for approval. CM Throm moved; CM Snellings seconded to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried by 8-0 voice vote.

The minutes from the March 11<sup>th</sup> regular meeting were presented for approval. CM Throm moved; CM Goracke seconded to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried by 8-0 voice vote. CM Keating moved, CM Schrater seconded to add a notation to the March 11 minutes reporting there was an information session held at 6:00 p.m. previous to the regular meeting regarding creating a storm water fund. Motion carried unanimously.

The minutes from the March 14<sup>th</sup> Special Meeting were presented for approval. CM Throm moved; CM Beikman seconded to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried an 8-0 voice vote.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

1. **WATER PENALTIES.** Alex Shultz addressed the Council asking them to re-consider the late fees that were charged to the water customers when the Post Office failed to deliver the invoices on time. Following Alex's comments, the Council asked staff to bring to the next council meeting the actual total of the penalties charged and the number of customers charged the penalty. Also, how many penalties were usually charged.
2. **MARYSVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY.** Mandy Cook Librarian gave an update on programs at the library.

**BUSINESS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

1. **ALLIANCE INSURANCE QUOTE.** Jen Sedlacek, the representative of Alliance Insurance who sells EMC Insurance to the City presented quotes for the 2024-2025 year: Both of the quote's property deductible is \$5,000. All peril wind/hail deductible \$75,000 per incident the premium would be \$157,415. All peril wind/hail deductible \$50,000 per incident the premium would be \$168,427. The leased buildings on the Koester Block will have a separate deductible per incident. CM Schrater moved, CM Throm seconded to renew the insurance with \$50,000 deductible for \$168,427. Motion carried unanimously. Jen noted the City's property value had increased to \$1,914,623.
2. **PRESENTATION OF AUDIT VARNEY & ASSOCIATES.** April Swartz from Varney & Associates, CPAs LLC presented the 2023 audit. The audit was clean with no violations.
3. **CHAMBER MAINSTREET REQUEST-SPARKLERS.** Wayne Kruse Chamber/Main Street director representing the Sparkler's volunteer group asked the Council for \$2,250 in funds to purchase plants, mulch, and fertilizer for areas around town where they pull weeds and water plants. Wayne noted city staff already purchases and delivers the mulch to the flower beds, so they reduced the amount requested to \$1,500. After discussion Council CM Throm moved, CM Behrens seconded to allow the Sparklers \$500, which is the amount budgeted for this year. Motion carried

unanimously. The team leads will bring receipts to be reimbursed. The Council thanked volunteers who help keep the flower beds in great shape, which improves our town.

4. **TEMPORARY STREET CLOSING MAY STREET.** Jeff Sandstrom from Olmsted Auctions is conducting an auction on April 27<sup>th</sup> at 709 N 10<sup>th</sup> Street. Jeff is asking to close May Street between 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. CM Throm moved; CM Snellings seconded to approve closing May Street from 9<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> on April 27<sup>th</sup>. Motion carried unanimously.
5. **MOSQUITO TREATMENT.** Mosquito Squad quoted to treat the following areas during the 2024 season: City Park, \$4,039; Lions Park, \$1,960; Koester Museum Gardens, \$560; Dargatz Park, \$1,491 totaling \$8,050 and the company will discount the total by \$500. Mosquito Squad is the only local company that provides this service. CM Beikman moved; CM Behrens seconded to hire Mosquito Squad to apply treatment for \$7,550 for the 2024 season. Motion carried 8-0.
6. **DIVING BOARDS.** CC Holle presented bids from Halogen Supply Company, Inc. to replace the 2 diving boards at the pool. The boards surfaces are chipping off. The 16-foot and 12-foot boards plus freight will be \$10,192.98. CM Snellings moved; CM Ferris seconded to replace the boards for \$10,192.98. Motion carried unanimously.
7. **SUNSHADES.** CC Holle presented a quote from All Inclusive Rec, LLC to replace the sunshades at the pool. The shades were purchased in 2014 and are USA Shade & Fabric. All Inclusive Rec, LLC is the regional company that handles this brand which can be used on our existing structures. There are 6 shades which total \$11,425 including freight. CM Throm moved; CM Keating seconded to purchase 6 new shades for the structures at the pool. Motion carried 8-0.
8. **POOL ADMISSIONS.** The current rates for pool admissions were presented for discussion. Daily admission is \$5 for 6 & older. No re-entry on a daily pass. An individual pass is \$50; family pass is \$110; daycare pass is \$110; punch card (10 punches) \$35; punch card (20 punches) \$60. CM Keating moved; CM Throm seconded to leave the fees the same. Motion carried unanimously.
9. **CITY ADMINISTRATOR CONTRACT.** CM Schrater moved, CM Snellings seconded to authorize the mayor to sign the contract to hire Joshua Haverkamp as the City Administrator beginning April 8<sup>th</sup>. Motion carried unanimously.
10. **DAMAGE TO ELECTRICAL SERVICE IN ALLEY.** The underground electrical line in the alley behind the Blue River Eye Care was hit by the contractor rehabilitating the business and the alley. The line was not marked when the alley was located. The City will be responsible for the repair. CM Snellings moved; CM Behrens seconded to pay for the repairs which will total approximately \$10,000. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **NOTICES AND HEARINGS:**

#### **CONSENT AGENDA.**

The Consent Agenda was presented for consideration. CM Throm moved; CM Beikman seconded to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried 8-0. The Consent Agenda consisted of the following:

1. Convention & Tourism funding request: Kansas Travel Guide Listings \$720.00 including Black Squirrel Bark Park; Black Squirrels on Parade; Blue River Trail; Historic Trails Park; Koester House Museum; Life Tile Murals; Pony Express Horse & Rider Statue; Marysville City Park Campground.

**APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE NO. 3819**

1. Claims against the funds of the City were submitted for Council consideration as follows: General Fund, \$97,325.79; Water Revenue Fund, \$94,645.46; Sewage Revenue Fund, \$33,383.01; Airport Revolving Fund, \$12,570.64; Industrial Fund, \$5,000.00; Library Revolving Fund, \$11,786.87; Swimming Pool Sales Tax, \$450.00; Koester Block Maintenance, \$451.93; Employee Benefit, \$30,879.90; Transient Guest Tax, \$4,999.35; Sales Tax Improvements, \$162,348.02; making a total of \$466,600.89.
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 Schrater seconded to approve the appropriations ordinance totaling \$466,600.89.
3. Motion to approve the appropriations ordinance carried by 8-0 roll call vote. City Clerk Holle assigned Ordinance No. 3819.

**STAFF REPORTS:**

**CITY CLERK:**

1. **CLERKS MEETING MANHATTAN.** CC Holle said she attended the City Clerk meeting in Manhattan. Several of the topics will help the City with current changes in the state.

**STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**STREET:**

**WATER & WASTEWATER:**

**PARKS & RECREATION:**

**CEMETERY/AIRPORT:**

**POLICE AND FIRE:**

**ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE:**

**APPOINTMENTS:**

**CITY ATTORNEY:**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

1. **SENATOR MORAN.** CM Ferris said she had attended the award's ceremony at the Lee Dam Center where the City Police Department and the Marshall County Sheriff Department received grants from the federal government. The City's grant was \$177,000 plus which will pay for the UTV, the TruNarc Analyzer and In-Car camera systems.

2. **KOESTER MUSEUM BOARD MEETING.** CM Behrens reported there had been a Koester Museum Board Meeting she and Mayor Frye attended. Mayor Frye reported he informed them there was not enough money in the Koester Block Maintenance Fund to pay a curator. He informed the board, in order to preserve the museum and the block they would be better managed privately. Mayor Frye said he has met with 2 developers interested in the leased properties on the block.
3. **SENATOR MORAN.** CM Keating also attended the ceremony with Senator Moran.
4. **RFQ ON STORMWATER.** Mayor Frye asked if the Council wanted to move forward with the RFQ Jeff Pederson wrote for the City on storm water engineers. The Council decided to wait until the new administrator was here.

There being no further business, at 8:18 p.m. CM Throm moved to adjourn, CM Snellings seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Cindy Holle  
City Clerk