

Regular Meeting
City Hall, Marysville, Kansas-March 9, 2026

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 Administrator Haverkamp, City Attorney Sunderland, and City Clerk Ralph were also present.

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

The minutes from the February 23rd regular meeting were presented for approval. CM Throm moved; CM Schrater seconded to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried by 8-0 voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

NOTICES AND HEARINGS:

BUSINESS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. **CITY PARK CLOSURE – KIWANIS EASTER EGG HUNT.** A request to close the entrances to the City Park on Saturday March 28th from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. for the annual Kiwanis Easter Egg Hunt was presented. CM Throm moved; CM Snellings seconded to approve the request. Motion carried unanimously.
2. **CITY ADMINISTRATOR CONTRACT.** An updated City Administrator Agreement between the City of Marysville and Joshua Haverkamp was presented. After council discussion CM Keating moved to approve the contract with the effective date of March 15, 2026 and adding “within the city limits” to section 2.3 RESIDENCY. CM Beikman seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
3. **YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE SCHOLARSHIP ORDINANCE 1951.** Ordinance 1951 establishing a Youth Advisory Committee Scholarship was presented. City Council may award up to two scholarships a year and will set the amount annually. Applicants shall be graduating high school, have participated in the YAC, and must submit a completed scholarship application by March 1st each year. After council discussion CM Beikman moved; CM Throm seconded to approve ordinance 1951 as written. Motion carried unanimously.

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

1. The City Clerk’s Report for February showed \$104,733.43 collected in receipts with a like amount being deposited with the City Treasurer.
2. Cash balances in funds were presented as well as outstanding debt and receivable balances. Revenue/Expenditure Budget Reports through February 2026 showed unadjusted accumulated revenues in the General Fund of \$1,632,249 or 51% of budget; Water Revenue Fund, \$190,278 or 16% of budget, Sewer Revenue Fund, \$195,498 or 18% of budget, Storm Water Revenue Fund \$35,123. The unadjusted statement of expenditures in the General Fund totaled 480,672 or 14% of budget, Water Revenue Fund, \$176,529 or 12% of budget, and Sewer Revenue Fund, \$187,074 or 14% of budget, Storm Water Revenue, \$80,819.

3. The Municipal Judge's Report for February showed \$2,601.00 being deposited with the City Treasurer and \$164.00 being forwarded to the State Treasurer for Judicial Branch Education, court costs and law enforcement training.

APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE NO. 3868

1. Claims against the funds of the City were submitted for Council consideration as follows: General Fund, \$107,839.43; Water Revenue Fund, \$25,442.69; Sewer Revenue Fund, \$21,907.52; Street & Highway Fund, \$3,780.76; Sewer Replacement, \$1,207.50; Library Revolving Fund, \$7,844.47; Swim Pool Sales Tax Fund, \$1,413.88; Koester Block Maintenance Fund, \$240.39; Employee Benefit Fund, \$14,823.53; Transient Guest Tax, \$20,199.53; Sales Tax Improvement Fund, \$54,681.78 making a total of \$259,381.48.
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 Snellings seconded to approve the appropriations ordinance totaling \$259,381.48.
3. Motion to approve the appropriations ordinance carried by 8-0 roll call vote. City Clerk Ralph assigned Ordinance No. 3868.

STAFF REPORTS:

CITY ADMINISTRATOR:

1. **YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE APPLICATION.** CA Haverkamp reported applications for the Youth Advisory Committee are being distributed to the schools, posted on the city website, and will be due by April 15th.
2. **YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION.** CA Haverkamp reported a scholarship application for the Youth Advisory Committee had been created and is available now at city hall and they are also due by April 15th.
3. **CITY FLAG DESIGN CONTEST FORM.** CA Haverkamp shared the city flags design contest form and reported they would be distributed to the schools, will be available on the city website and at city hall, and they will also be due by April 15th.
4. **POOL UPDATE.** CA Haverkamp gave an update on the swimming pool. He reported that Manhattan Energy had been up several times to work on the sand filter, slides, and other areas of concern. He also reported information on an LED light project at the pool would be coming to council. Plans are to fill the pool by the end of April to check for leaks. Courtney Porter is coming back as Marysville Aquatic Center Manager and she and Audry PilsI will be taking a Water Safety Instructor course. After they complete the course plans will be made for swimming lessons.
5. **CITY CLERKS CONFERENCE.** CA Haverkamp reported CC Ralph will be at a City Clerk's Conference in Manhattan at the end of the week.
6. **NEWSLETTERS.** CA Haverkamp informed council a city newsletter would be sent out this week. In it there is an ad for the Deputy City Clerk position as Deb Schwindamann, the current Deputy City Clerk, will be retiring at the end of May. Everyone will be invited to a reception for her in May.

7. **JEFF SIEGLER VISIT.** CA Haverkamp informed council there will need to be a Special Meeting called for the day Jeff Siegler meets with the city council. Wayne Kruse, OneMarysville Director, was asked to speak about Siegler's upcoming visit. Mr. Kruse informed council Mr. Siegler will meet with City Staff and the Governing Body Monday March 23rd, from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at city hall. An itinerary for Mr. Siegler's visit including all public and private sessions will be shared with the city.
8. **EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT.** CA Haverkamp notified council he and staff had met with Robert Clemo concerning his Eagle Scout project of painting the lines on the basketball court at Lion's Park and are working on gathering materials. Mayor Frye asked the status of the Eagle Scout Project at the pool. CA Haverkamp will follow up.
9. **BUDGET WORKSHOP.** CA Haverkamp informed council a Budget Workshop will be set up for later this month. CM Snellings suggested Monday March 30th as a possible date.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. **ADMIN FINANCE COMMITTEE.** Committee Chairperson Goracke reported that the committee discussed offering up to three, three day passes for \$25 per three-day license for food trucks. A new fee policy would need to be written. Council consensus was to draft a new fee policy. The committee asked for direction from the full council on changes to the sign permit fees. After council discussion consensus was to draft a new ordinance that kept the application process but eliminated the fees. A draft ordinance will be written and presented to the Admin Finance Committee.
2. **STREET COMMITTEE.** Committee Chairperson Keating reported that the Street Committee along with BI Ralph, SS Gundelfinger, and Kevin Evenson of the Street Department met with Rob Roudybush and Jake Lauer from Hall Brothers. One suggestion was to take care of the streets that are still in good condition and then work on streets that need more work. He urged council to dedicate more of the Sales Tax Funds to street projects. He encouraged starting conversations with the township and county to take in the shared roads and work on easements on 12th Road and Keystone Road to prepare for a street project in the area.
3. **CEMETERY & AIRPORT COMMITTEE.** Committee Chairperson Beikman reported the committee met to elect a chairperson, discuss trimming some trees off of headstones, and planting bushes or trees on the south and east sides of the cemetery. He would like a committee meeting with the Tree Board and Cemetery Supervisor Cercone at the cemetery to discuss trees or bushes to be planted at the cemetery.
4. **YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE.** CA Haverkamp reported most of the discussion topics were covered earlier in the meeting. A video on a youth cycling league will be presented at their next Youth Advisory Committee meeting on March 25th at 7:00 p.m. at city hall.

APPOINTMENTS & WAGE DETERMINATION:

CITY ATTORNEY:

CA Sunderland reported he had been working on the documents council voted on earlier in the evening as well as the documents for Frontier Development Group and the purchase of the Koester Commercial buildings. CA Haverkamp reported the survey is in the process but hasn't been finalized yet.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 8:02 p.m. CM Snellings moved the city council recess into executive session for consultation with an attorney on matters deemed privileged in an attorney-client relationship about litigation or claims against the city exception K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(2). This meeting will include the mayor, city council, city administrator, and city attorney. The open meeting will resume in the city council chambers at 8:20 p.m. CM Throm seconded. Motion carried unanimously. At 8:20 p.m., the council reconvened. Mayor Frye reported no binding decisions were made.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

1. **ORDINANCE 1877.** CM Keating questioned if Ordinance 1877 would need to be amended after the adoption of the new code enforcement job description.
2. **INCENTIVE PROGRAMS.** CM Keating encouraged the city to look into possible abatement and incentive programs for new businesses and referenced the county's tax abatement program.
3. **SALES TAX FOR FOOD TRUCKS.** CM Keating asked that staff remind food truck vendors of Marysville's sales tax when they get licensed.
4. **ADA ISSUES.** CM Snellings asked that staff look at the ADA pad and sidewalk that was in disrepair on the corner of 9th Street and Center Street. The one at 10th Street and Center Street was also mentioned. CM Reinhart asked about the ADA concerns at Lakeview Sports Complex. CA Haverkamp said staff is working on some of the issues such as concrete work but for new ADA compliant bleachers it would cost in excess of \$50,000.00.
5. **POLICE & FIRE COMMITTEE MEETING.** CM Reinhart reported she is working with staff to set up a Police and Fire Committee meeting to discuss fire pay.
6. **LAKE AERATORS.** CM Schrater asked if the aerators at the lake will be turned on in April. CA Haverkamp said that is usually when they are turned on.
7. **WATER CONNECT FEES.** CM Schrater reminded council that water connection fees were discussed and lowered about a year ago. The amount was decided based on an average monthly bill at the time.
8. **CODE ENFORCEMENT APPLICATIONS.** CM Schrater asked if any code enforcement applications had been received. CA Haverkamp reported that some had been received.
9. **EMERGENCY RESPONDERS.** CM Schrater shared a story of first responders saving a young man's life in Blue Rapids with their knowledge of CPR and AEDs. He commended them on their training and thanked all first responders for what they do.
10. **STREET SWEEPER.** CM Throm said it was good to see the street sweeper out so much and it was picking up a lot.
11. **DARGATZ PARK DISCUSSION.** CM Goracke shared there was a donor who would like to make improvements to Dargatz Park but would like the city's buy in. He would like this to be discussed at the next meeting.

- 12. PROPERTY TAX PROGRAM.** CM Beikman said the property tax programs he had referenced in a previous meeting were for senior citizens.
- 13. DIGITAL SPEED LIMIT SIGNS.** CM Beikman asked if the city could look into adding digital speed limit signs like some other surrounding towns have. The Police and Fire Committee will discuss this.
- 14. ENCOURAGE PARTICIPATION.** Mayor Frye encouraged participation in the YAC as well as the flag design contest and asked others to encourage those around them to participate.
- 15. BUDGET APPROVAL.** Chris Pannbacker, Marysville Advocate, questioned the governing body about the League of Kansas Municipalities stance on the potential changes to the budget process. CA Haverkamp reported that the League is working with legislators to make some changes to this bill.
- 16. LEGISLATIVE FORUM.** CM Reinhart reminded everyone that the legislative forum will be Saturday March 14th at Landoll Lanes. The doors will open at 8:30 a.m. and the forum will begin at 9:00 a.m. She encouraged governing body members to attend.

There being no further business, at 8:42 p.m. CM Goracke moved to adjourn; CM Keating seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Samantha J. Ralph
City Clerk