

Regular Meeting
City Hall, Marysville, Kansas-September 28, 2020

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: Schroller, Beikman, Price, Behrens and Throm. A quorum was present.

The minutes from the September 14th regular meeting were presented for approval. CM Throm moved, CM Behrens seconded to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried by 5-0 voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

1. **BARB KICKHAEFER.** Barb Kickhaefer addressed the City Council supporting the Black Squirrel Bark Park.

CM Hughes entered the chamber at 7:02 p.m.

BUSINESS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. **GRAVEL DASH REQUESTS.** Mark Hoffman representative from the Gravel Dash Committee asked the Council if the City Crews could erect the Main Street/Car Show tent for their use at the Gravel Dash. The area must be marked the weekend previous to the event to allow for the City to call in locates.

CM Frye entered the chamber at 7:05 p.m.

The Committee also requests the use of the bleachers located on the 7th Street Corridor and asks the City to move them to the Old UP Depot location. CM Throm moved to allow the City Crew to erect the Main Street tent and move the bleachers to the old UP Depot site. CM Price seconded. Motion carried 7-0.

2. **BLACK SQUIRREL BARK PARK.** Maureen Crist, Deb Hawkinson, Maggie Kickhaefer, Wade Maddox, and McKenzie Kracht, members of the dog park committee, asked if they could proceed with construction of the bridge and the parking lot on Jackson Street. The Committee is hiring CES to engineer the placement of the bridge. It was discussed reducing the size of the park to allow for easy mowing around the outside of the fence and to place the fence on flat ground. It was also discussed putting a barrier under the fence to reduce the need to weed-eat. The Committee would like the City to place picnic tables, trash cans and dogi stations in the park. The Committee would also like the City to mow and dump the trash and perform the upkeep on the dogi stations and spray the perimeter fence. CA McNish asked if the City wanted to write a contract about maintenance of the Dog Park, no decision was made. The bridge must be placed within the 8th Street right of way. CM Frye moved to allow the Dog Park Committee to place the bridge and start the parking lot and asked the Committee to present to Council the design by CES. CM Beikman seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

3. **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVE 504 WALNUT.** CI Ralph included in the agenda an application for an Economic Development Incentive for the demolition of a blighted house at 504 Walnut owned by Dawn Vorseth. CM Throm moved to pay up to \$2,500 to Dawn Vorseth to demolish a house at 504 Walnut if all specifications are met. CM Beikman seconded. Motion carried 7-0.
4. **POLICY A-87 SIDEWALK INSTALLATION.** A policy to update and clarify the Sidewalk Policy was presented. CM Beikman moved, CM Throm seconded to approve Policy A-87 Sidewalks. Motion carried unanimously.

NOTICES AND HEARINGS:

CONSENT AGENDA. The Consent Agenda was presented for consideration. CM Throm moved, CM Beikman seconded to remove item 1 from the Consent Agenda and approve item 2. Motion carried unanimously. After Council discussion about social distancing and mask requirements CM Throm moved, CM Behrens seconded to approve item 1 of the Consent Agenda. If COVID cases rise the event will be canceled. Motion carried unanimously. The Council did not want the event moved indoors. The Consent Agenda consisted of the following:

1. MCAC Squirrel Jam October 17 at the bandstand in the City Park allowing people to consume alcohol at the event.
2. James Gordon & Associates CPA, PA letter of engagement for the 2020 audit.

APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE NO. 3732

1. Claims against the funds of the City were submitted for Council consideration as follows: General Fund, \$89,098.29; Water Revenue Fund, \$35,697.94; Sewage Revenue Fund, \$27,911.73; Sewage Replacement, \$10,847.00; Library Revolving, \$9,710.93; Library, \$16,163.78; Library Employee Benefit, \$5,830.15; Swim Pool Sales Tax \$6,508.35; Koester Block Maintenance, \$809.65; Employee Benefit Fund, \$26,146.04; Transient Guest Tax, \$1,085.43; Capital Improvements, \$37,228.00; Sales Tax Improvements, \$35,101.22; making a total of \$302,138.51.
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 \$302,138.51. Motion to approve the appropriations ordinance carried by 7-0 roll call vote. City Clerk Holle assigned Ordinance No. 3732.

STAFF REPORTS:

CITY ADMINISTRATOR:

1. **AIRIUS PUREAIR QUOTE.** CA St. John presented a quote from Echo Electrical Supply for five Airius PureAir devices. These devices will de-stratify the HVAC and include a UV light which is designed to kill many viruses. This product and the installation will be covered 100%

by CARES/SPARK funding. CM Beikman moved to approve purchasing and installing five Airius PureAir devices, CM Price seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

2. **REPLACE ALLEY 10TH TO 11TH NORTH OF CENTER.** CA St. John reported he would like the Street Department to replace the alley between 10th and 11th Street north of Center with concrete. The east and west approaches to the alley need to be repaired so he would like to repair the entire alley. The alley will be done in sections to allow a portion of the alley to be used during the construction. This alley is in the Commercial district and the Presbyterian Church parking lot is adjacent to the alley. CM Throm moved to approve repairing the alley between 10th and 11th Street north of Center, paid from the Sales Tax Fund, CM Behrens seconded. Motion carried 6-0-1. CM Frye abstained because the alley is beside his house. CM Throm asked large projects to be presented earlier to Council.
3. **LAGOON SITE UPDATE.** BG Consultants reported to CA St. John the lagoon site near Cell 1 tested good for an additional lagoon cell. The Wetlands site on the east side of the river will need more sand added to the depth.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

STREET:

1. **STREETLIGHT AT ALLEY NORTH OF CENTER ON 9TH.** CM Frye said there is an existing electric pole on the east side of the alley between Center and Carolina and he would like the City to put a streetlight on that pole to light up the parking. Consensus of Council was to have a resolution written requesting a streetlight on the pole. CM Frye also asked to have City Staff look at the light at 9th and Walnut to make sure trees are not blocking the light.
2. **CURB AND GUTTER.** CM Throm suggested the City needs to include projects to update curb and gutter. The deteriorated curb and gutter are causing the streets to deteriorate faster. The Council discussed if the Street Department, contractors, or a combination of both would replace curbs and gutters. CA St. John said there will be curb and gutter projects in next year's plans.

WATER & WASTEWATER:

1. **SMOKE TEST.** CM Throm reported there had been smoke testing in the sewer system at 5th Street on Oak and Spring.

PARKS & RECREATION:

1. **SWIM POOL END OF SEASON FINANCIAL REPORT.** CM Schroller asked for the Swim Pool report. CC Holle said the end of season report will be completed after the September month-end to include the final invoices.

- 2. RECREATION DIRECTOR.** CM Price asked if the City had received any proposals for the Recreation Position. CA St. John said he thought he would have a proposal by the next council meeting.

CEMETERY & AIRPORT:

POLICE & FIRE:

ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE:

APPOINTMENTS:

Convention & Tourism Committee: Mandy Cook replacing Allie Argo-October 2020 thru December 31, 2022. CM Throm moved to approve the Mayor's appointment, CM Frye seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

CITY ATTORNEY:

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION:

- 1. LOCAL COVID CASES.** Mayor Barnes said local COVID cases are on the rise and asked citizens to be diligent about taking precautions.

There being no further business, at 8:31 p.m. CM Frye moved to adjourn, CM Throm seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Cindy Holle
City Clerk