

Regular Meeting
City Hall, Marysville, Kansas-March 24, 2025

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 Todd Frye in the chair. City Administrator Haverkamp City, and Payroll Clerk/Secretary Schwindamann were also present.

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

The minutes from the March 14th regular meeting were presented for approval. CM Schrater moved; CM Throm seconded to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried by 8-0 voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

1. **CONDEMNED HOUSE AT 904 MAY ST** – Dave Bruna, Ward 2, asking for a 1-year extension on condemned property at 904 May purchased by Jessica & Kevin Miller to repair. They are remodeling it, mainly smoke damage not a lot of structural damage after inspection. CM Schrater moved; CM Snellings seconded to approve extension to April 1st, 2026. Motion carried unanimously.
2. **WATER SLIDE AT LAKEVIEW** – Dave Bruna, Ward 2, suggested having a water slide at Lakeview during the 4th of July Celebration like the fire department did 2 years ago in City Park when the pool was closed for most of the season. Suggested east of Hedstrom Hall, he will work with organization when time gets closer.
3. **CHICKEN ORDINANCE** - Mary Sawdy, Ward 2, Marysville, spoke against the chicken ordinance would not be good. Hopes the council will think long & hard before they vote for the chicken.
4. **AREIAL FIREWORKS** - Sterling Clark, Ward 2, if voting on having no Aerial fireworks according to proposed amendment then there would be no City fireworks show due to how proposed ordinance is written.
5. **MARYSVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY REPORT.** Mandy Cook, Marysville Public Library Director, was present to report on programs offered by the library. New part-time employee Joy Kramer. Starting their DOC grant classes, fundamental & advanced computer classes. Will also be working with Blue Valley Telephone about phones O Happy Day Smart Phones to Up your Game, Library U adult show & tell, and history of Kentucky Derby Hats May 3rd.

BUSINESS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. **CLOSURE OF HEDRIX ST.** Dave Lyhane with the Marysville Union Pacific Depot Preservation Society requested closure of Hedrix Street, Carolina to Calhoun on April 5th for Museum Day for Toddler Train. CM Keating moved to approve the request; CM Goracke seconded. Motion carried 8-0.
2. **CLOSURE OF 7TH ST CORRIDOR.** Dave Lyhane with the Marysville Union Pacific Depot Preservation Society requested allowing 100+ Trail Life Boys to camp on north & south depot lawn on 4/11 & 4/12. Close 7th street corridor Carolina to Calhoun behind depot for parking of RV's. CM Beikman moved to approve the request; CM Throm seconded. Motion carried 8-0.
3. **MHS 2025 PROM REQUEST.** Ava Spicer and Ellie Schoenberger with the Junior Prom Committee asked to close Broadway from 10th to 7th Street beginning at 6pm for prom walk and allow only street legal vehicles. Also close the 7th Street Corridor from Broadway to Elm starting at 5:30 pm for the Promenade and other Prom activities (photos in the Pony Park). CM Goracke moved to approve the request as presented; CM Schrater seconded. Motion carried 8-0.
4. **INSURANCE RENEWAL – EMC.** Jen Sedlacek with World Insurance presented the council with the 2025-2026 EMC Insurance renewal quote of \$169,755.00. CM Throm moved to approve quote as presented: CM Keating seconded. Motion carried 8-0.
5. **ADDITION TO MARYSVILLE FIREWORKS ORDINANCE.** Vernita Peeks presented a request for an addition to the Marysville Fireworks Ordinance. CM Keating moved to make no changes to the current ordinance; CM Schrater seconded. CM Keating rescinded his motion after council discussion. Consensus of council was to send it to the Police & Fire Committee to research further.
6. **RESOLUTION 2025-04 DANGEROUS/UNSAFE STRUCTURE.** Resolution 2025-04 to set a hearing for a dangerous structure (shed) at 409 N 14th Street was presented. The hearing will be held on Monday, May 12th, 2025. CM Beikman moved to approve Resolution 2025-04; CM Behrens seconded. Motion carried 8-0.

7. **GRAVE OPENINGS AGREEMENT.** An agreement between the City of Marysville and Russell Behrends with B&W Electric for grave openings was presented. The agreement is for one year with the option of renewing for two one-year renewals. The two one-year extensions shall terminate March 2027. CM Throm moved to approve the agreement as presented; CM Snellings seconded. Motion carried 8-0.
8. **MOU EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT.** A Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Marysville and the Marshall County Emergency Management to provide the broad framework for cooperation between the two organizations in preparing for & responding to disasters was presented. CM Keating moved to approve the agreement as presented; CM Throm seconded. Motion carried 8-0.
9. **MOU GREEN SPACE MARSHALL COUNTY HEALTH DEPT.** A Memorandum of Understanding between Marshall County & the City of Marysville was presented to agree that vacant land Lot 4 and Lot 5, in Block 10, Marysville Proper will be cared for by the City of Marysville, Marshall County will pay for the water usage and the City of Marysville will be allowed usage of the vacant land same as they would other City property. MOU is from March 1, 2025, through February 28, 2026. CM Throm moved to approve the agreement; CM Schrater seconded. Motion carried 8-0.
10. **CLOSURE OF CITY PARK ENTRANCES – EASTER EGG HUNT.** Marysville Kiwanis Club requested closure of city park entrances for their annual Easter Egg Hunt, April 12th from 12:00 pm-2:00 pm. They want to place cones at all entrances. They would also like to have the bathrooms open in the park for the event. CM Beikman moved to approve the request; CM Throm seconded. Motion carried 8-0.
11. **AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL DESIGN CES, FDG & CITY OF MARYSVILLE.** Agreement between CES, FDG & the City of Marysville for Design-Bid-Build for the Koester Block commercial properties at 901, 905, 905 and 909 Broadway was presented. CA Haverkamp will work on creating an agreement with FDG that they will be the ones paying for the design. CM Beikman moved, CM Schrater seconded to approve the agreement between CES, FDG & the City of Marysville. Motion carried 8-0.
12. **ORDINANCE 1942 CHICKENS, DUCKS & QUAIL.** Ordinance 1942 to Amend in part portions of the current code of the City of Marysville regulating and establishing animal control and regulation within the corporate limits of the City of Marysville, Kansas was presented. CM Schrater moved to approve the ordinance as presented, CM Goracke seconded. Motion carried 5-3; CM Ferris, CM Behrens & CM Throm voting no.
13. **POLICY A-105 CHICKENS, DUCKS & QUAIL FEES.** Policy A-105 establishing fees for chicken, duck & quail was presented. Fees would be \$60 for the initial cost for one calendar year then \$30.00 for every year thereafter. CM Keating moved; CM Schrater seconded to approve the policy as presented. Motion carried 8-0.
14. **15TH ST STORM SEWER PROJECT.** Bids for the 15th Street Storm Sewer project were presented. The low bid was Carlson Utility for \$1,294,149.00. CM Throm moved; CM Schrater seconded to accept the low bid from Carlson Utility. Motion carried 8-0.
15. **KOESTER MUSEUM GIFT AGREEMENT & QUIT CLAIMS DEED.** An agreement and quit claim deed in which the City of Marysville donates/gifts Koester House Museum (919 Broadway) to the Koester House Museum Foundation and does a Quit Claims Deed for said real estate property was presented. CM Goracke moved; CM Schrater seconded to approve the agreement and quit claim as presented. Motion carried 8-0.
16. **KOESTER MUSEUM SEWER EASEMENT.** An easement from the Koester House Museum Foundation, Inc. assigns the City of Marysville a permanent right-of-way and easement to construct, lay, maintain, operate, replace, change, and remove, utility lines, said easement 20-foot wide, as laid, on, over, along and through property at 919 Broadway was presented. CM Throm moved; CM Schrater seconded to approve the easement as presented. Motion carried 8-0.

NOTICES AND HEARINGS:

CONSENT AGENDA,

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

1. Alcohol consumption request at the Lee Dam Art Center on April 16th, 2025, for the One Marysville Mixer sponsored by Marshall County Arts Cooperative,

APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE NO. 3844

1. Claims against the funds of the City were submitted for Council consideration as follows: General Fund, \$98,917.25; Water Revenue Fund, \$40,820.12; Sewage Revenue Fund, \$45,855.44; Street & Highway Fund, \$4,102.30; Library Revolving Fund, \$7,674.83; Swimming Pool Sales Tax Fund, \$197.22; Koester Block Maintenance Fund, \$707.13; Employee Benefit Fund, \$9,752.19; Transient Guest Tax Fund, \$706.81; Sales Tax Improvements Fund, \$69,019.57; making a total of \$277,752.86.
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 \$277,752.86.
3. Motion to approve the appropriations ordinance carried by 8-0 roll call vote. Payroll Clerk/Secretary Schwindamann assigned Ordinance No. 3844.

STAFF REPORTS:

CITY ADMINISTRATOR:

1. **CITY PARK BATHROOM.** CA Haverkamp reported staff is continuing to work on completing the city park bathroom updates by Mother's Day. The floor may not be completed, however, still planning on opening in April.
2. **KPERS 457.** CA Haverkamp reported paperwork is filled out and completed. We are now in a 45-day waiting period then the employees can sign up for that.
3. **INTERVIEWS.** CA Haverkamp has had interviews the last few weeks and will discuss the outcome of them as they happen.
4. **BUDGET WORKSHOP.** CA Haverkamp reported there will be a budget workshop on Friday, March 28th, at 6:30 at City Hall. Please put together a list of priorities.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. **POLICE & FIRE COMMITTEE.** The Police & Fire Committee have been doing interviews.
2. **ADMIN/FINANCE COMMITTEE.** Everything was discussed with the chickens earlier in the meeting.
3. **UPCOMING COMMITTEE MEETINGS.** Police and Fire Committee meetings will be set up to interview Chief of Police candidates and review the Fireworks ordinance. The Admin/Finance committee will need to set up a meeting for common consumption and building demolition review. Water/Sewer committee will meet regarding water/sewer connection, water connection fees, & grinder pumps. Parks/Rec committee will meet for the pool and the blue diamond at Lakeview.

APPOINTMENTS & WAGE DETERMINATION:

1. **APPOINTMENT.** Deb Schwindamann to Deputy City Clerk, CM Goracke moved to approve the mayor's appointment, CM Schrater seconded; motion carried 8-0.
2. **WAGE DETERMINATION.** Deb Schwindamann, Deputy Clerk \$25.00/hour. CM Behrens moved to approve the wage determination; CM Throm seconded; motion carried 8-0.
1. **APPOINTMENT. Youth Advisory Council (YAC) – Seniors:** Emily Rockwell, Grant Haeefe; Juniors: Garrett Staggs, James Bussman; Sophomores: Lily Voet, Josephine Naaf; Freshmen: Emilyn Holle, Eli Frese, CM Throm moved; CM Schrater seconded to approve the mayor's appointments; motion carried 8-0.

CA Haverkamp said if anyone would like to be considered for any of the boards or committees, please reach out to city hall so that we can put them on a list that will be sent to the mayor for his consideration.

CITY ATTORNEY:

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

1. **STP FUNDS.** CM Keating asked when was the last time we received STP Funds. Believe, the last time we received them was when we paved 11th road. We need to cordially look into that with the county.
2. **FACEBOOK.** CM Keating created a Facebook account to keep up with what is going on in the city.
3. **WATER LEAK.** CM Beikman wanted to know what is the source of the leak at 10th & Hillcrest? Kansas Gas hit an unknow water line.
4. **COUNCIL VOTES.** CM Beikman stated no matter how council votes, some people are not going to be happy. It comes with the territory. Hope people understand that it is a thankless job.
5. **REVENUE ON STORM WATER RATE.** CM Keating would like to see it on the agenda so people can see where we are at with the new fee.
6. **THANKS.** CM Schrater. Thank staff for rotating use of local businesses services.
7. **NOT BEING HEARD.** CM Schrater. If you feel like you're not being heard, please reach out to any council member.
8. **RULES.** CM Schrater. To many rules can blind us to the mission. Be mindful of less government ontrol is better.
9. **THANKS.** CM Schrater. Thanks to city staff for everything they do.
10. **STEAM ENGINE.** CM Goracke. Did anyone ever come by to inspect steam engine? CA Haverkamp will get back in touch with them.
11. **KOESTER HOUSE RESTAURANT.** Mayor Frye. When will staff be setting up a meeting with Koester Block Advisory Board to discuss application and other issues.
12. **CODE ENFORCEMENT.** Mayor Frye. Full time code enforcement officer may need to look at with next budget season.
13. **MAKING PROGRESS.** CM Schrater. Please have patience as we are working on getting projects done.

There being no further business, at 8:36 p.m. CM Schrater moved to adjourn; CM Keating seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Deb Schwindamann
Deputy City Clerk