

**CITY OF SOUTHGATE  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
March 1, 2017  
City Building, 122 Electric Ave**

**Call to Order:** Mayor Hamberg called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

**The following answered roll call:** Council Members Enzweiler, Anderson, Speier, and Payne were present. Council Members Hayley and Robisch were absent. Also present: Finance Director/Treasurer Hudson, City Clerk Barton, Police Chief Christmann, Bryce Rhoades for City Attorney Stewart, Public Works Foreman Bowman, and Fire Chief Beatsch.

**Public Comments:** Al Nachman from Canterbury House Apartments addressed Council. He asked if Council made statements regarding national events. Mr. Nachman read a statement about the hate crimes that have been occurring and asked Southgate to take a stand against this. The Mayor said Council has made statements on occasion and asked Council if they wanted to do so on this issue. Council agreed. The Mayor requested City Attorney to draft a resolution for next meeting.

**Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of 2/15/17. Motion/Second: Anderson/Speier. Approved by voice vote: Aye 4 Nay 0.**

**Public Works:** Councilman Anderson reported that the blacktop on North St. was patched. There was one tree damaged by the lake in last night's storm. Public Works Foreman Bowman had no report.

**Public Safety:** Councilman Speier had no report. Police Chief Christmann reported that the new police cruiser will be picked up tomorrow. It will take 3 weeks to outfit the cruiser. Fire Chief Beatsch said he will meet with Public Works Foreman next week to review the items needed at the firehouse for next fiscal year. A Safety Committee meeting needs to be held before the budget can be prepared for next fiscal year.

**Code Enforcement:** Council Member Enzweiler said that there were 21 active cases. The Code Enforcement Board met on February 2 to approve final orders.

**Community Relations & Recreation:** Park & Tree Co Chair Hamberg reported on the Recreation Trails Program Grant application for the re-pavement of the trail, tree identification, and improved handicap access to the deck at the park. After discussion, **there was a motion to allocate up to \$25,000 with \$5,000 in kind labor from the City toward this grant.** The grant is a 50/50 match. **Motion/Second: Payne/Speier. Approved by voice vote: Aye 4 Nay 0.** Arbor Day Program will be held on April 21.

Council Member Payne reported several upcoming events: Southgate School Family Night on Mar. 2, St. Therese Spring Social Mar. 10, St. Therese Fish Fry Mar. 17 and 24. New Hope Church will open their food pantry on Mar. 25. Southgate School Kindergarten Kickoff will be held on Mar. 28. Campbell Co. Cleanup will be Mar. 31 and April 1.

**Public Buildings:** Public Works Foreman Bowman reported that the boiler at the City building went out. The cost to repair the boiler was \$2,500. Watson Heating & Air is replacing the boiler with an energy efficient heat pump system. The cost is \$7,000. An emergency was declared and

the Mayor authorized the work. There was discussion of putting a heater in the garage which would cost \$2,369. **A motion was made to install the heater in the fire bay. Motion/Second: Anderson/Payne. Approved by voice vote: Aye 4 Nay 0.**

**Finance and Administration:** A motion was made to approve the January financials. **Motion/Second: Speier/Anderson. Approved by voice vote: Aye 4 Nay 0.**

Finance Director/Treasurer Hudson had no report. City Clerk Barton said she will email Council a link to view the new website before it goes live. Bryce Rhoades in for City Attorney Stewart had no report, but read the following:

Resolution 17-02 Authorize Mayor to sign 2017 Land & Water Conservation Fund Grant to repair the tennis courts. **Motion/Second: Anderson/Speier. Approved by voice vote: Aye 4 Nay 0.**

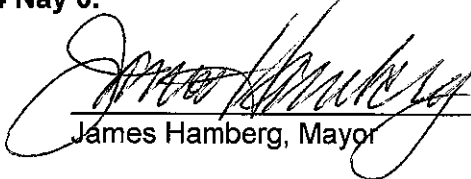
**Old Business:** Public Works Bowman said that the bed of the dump truck is being painted and should be back in service next week. Councilman Speier said the Fish & Wildlife website has removed Southgate from the list of lakes which permit boats. Mayor Hamberg expressed condolences to the family of Chuck Melville who passed away in February.

**New Business:** none.

**Payment of Vouchers:** Check vouchers #22161-22218 were presented for Council's review.

**Mayor & Council Comments: Announcements:**

**Adjournment:** There being no further business, **Motion/Second: Speier/Anderson to adjourn the meeting. Approved by voice vote. Aye 4 Nay 0.**

  
James Hamberg, Mayor

ATTEST: Brandi Barton  
Brandi Barton, City Clerk