

**CITY OF SOUTHGATE  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
Jan. 2, 2019  
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 Anderson, Blanchet, Hayley, Homandberg, Speier, and Robisch were present. Also present: City Clerk Barton, Finance Director/Treasurer Hudson, Public Works Foreman Bowman, Police Chief Christmann, Fire Chief Beatsch, and City Attorney Stewart.

**Public Comments:** Michael Gindele from 154 Valley View explained to Council that his drain pipe to the street was buried when the new curb was constructed by the City's contractor. He had water back-up into the basement. He asked Council to reimburse him for the plumber and water restoration cleanup of \$1,912.52. A motion was made to reimburse homeowner for water cleanup. **Motion/Second: Blanchet/Speier. Approved by voice vote: Aye 6 Nay 0.**

**Approval of Special Meeting Minutes of 12/3/18. Motion/Second: Hayley/Anderson. Approved by voice vote: Aye 6 Nay 0.**

**Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of 12/5/18. Motion/Second: Robisch/Speier. Approved by voice vote: Aye 6 Nay 0.**

**Public Works:** Councilman Anderson reported that North St. is slipping down the hill on one side. Ft. Beech has water that is leaking from under the street. City Engineer Shumate will come to the next meeting to discuss the Geotech study. Foreman Bowman reported that there is a meeting tomorrow with Representative Sal Santoro to discuss the wall by US 27 and Car Wash that has water leaking behind it. They will also review US 27 by 471 and the medians.

**Public Safety:** Councilman Speier said the next SWEMS meeting will be Jan. 8 at 5:30 at Southgate Fire Department. Police Chief Christmann will present the year-end report for the department at the Feb. Council meeting. Fire Chief Beatsch said the installation of officers is Jan. 5. He will have a year-end report in February.

**Code Enforcement:** Councilman Blanchet had no report.

**Community Relations & Recreation:** Council Member Homandberg had no report.

**Public Buildings:** Councilman Robisch said he will be seeking another vendor to find a solution to the Fire Department notification bell.

**Finance and Administration:** Council Member Hayley reviewed the payables. **There was a motion to approve the November financials. Motion/Second: Hayley/Homandberg. Approved by voice vote: Aye 6 Nay 0.**

Finance Director/Treasurer Hudson said the auditors are working on the draft. It will be presented to Council in Jan. The submission requirement is Feb. 1 to the State. City Clerk Barton said the 2018 real estate tax collection is at 98%. City Attorney Stewart had no report. There was a proclamation for outgoing Mayor Stanley Turner (City of Wilder).

Park and Tree Board Chair Hamberg reported that she submitted the Tree City and Growth Award application. 35 trees were removed around the lake because of damage from beavers and emerald ash borers. Some trees were removed as required by KLC insurance for the dam.

**Old Business:** Council Member Speier inquired about what can be planted around the lake where trees were removed. Public Works Foreman Bowman said the insurance company only wanted grass and no shrubs planted.

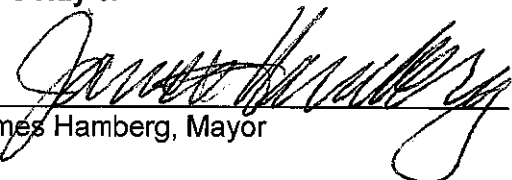
**New Business:** Mayor Hamberg mentioned that there have been concerns of dumpster and PODS placed on the street without a street obstruction permit. City Attorney said she would research the issue and a committee could make recommendations to amend the ordinance. Mayor Hamberg asked Council Members Blanchet and Homandberg to serve on that committee. Council Member Anderson expressed displeasure with the current email program. City Clerk Barton advised that she is searching for a solution.

**Payment of Vouchers:** Check vouchers #28017-28100 were presented for Council's review.

**Mayor & Council Comments:** none.

**Announcements:** none.

**Adjournment:** There being no further business, **Motion/Second: Robisch/Anderson to adjourn the meeting. Approved by voice vote. Aye 6 Nay 0.**

  
James Hamberg, Mayor

ATTEST: Brandi Barton  
Brandi Barton, City Clerk