

**CITY OF SOUTHGATE  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
February 16, 2022  
122 Electric Ave.  
City building**

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

**The following answered roll call:** Council Members Melville, Okura, Robisch, and Wegener were present. Councilmen Anderson and Messmer were absent. Also present: City Clerk Barton, Finance Director/Treasurer Franklin, Police Chief Christmann, Public Works Foreman Bowman, Fire Chief Beatsch, and Assistant City Attorney Rhoades.

**Public Comments:** Stephanie Huhn from Bramel & Ackley presented the fiscal year ending 6/30/2021 City audit. **There was a motion to approve the audit as presented. Motion/Second: Wegener/Robisch. Approved by vote: Aye 4 Nay 0.**

**Approval of regular meeting minutes 2/2/22. Motion/Second: Wegener/Melville. Approved by vote: Aye 4 Nay 0.**

**Public Works:** Councilman Melville said catch basins on Joyce Ave. were installed. The contractor has until May 15 to finish the job. The Public Works dump truck had a broken axel that was repaired at the cost of \$850.

**Public Safety:** Councilman Anderson was absent. Police Chief Christmann said nine vehicles were towed during the last snow emergency. There were at least 30 vehicles in violation, but when the residents saw the tow truck, people started to move their vehicles. In the future, the police officers will write citations from the beginning of the snow emergency. Public Works installed a DNA cabinet in the evidence room for the department.

Chief Beatsch said the department applied for a grant through the Fire Commission. They were awarded funds to purchase personal gear. SWEMS received a grant for a monitor for the ambulance.

**Code Enforcement:** Councilman Messmer was absent.

**Community Relations & Recreation:** Council Member Okura said that Park & Tree Board is working on Arbor Day planning. Ruth Kremer will be the honoree for this day.

**Public Buildings:** Councilman Robisch said he was working on a leak in the storage shed and new flooring at the firehouse.

**Finance and Administration:** Councilman Wegener reviewed the payables. Finance Director/Treasurer Franklin had no report. City Clerk Barton had no report. Assistant City Attorney Rhoades said he was working on several foreclosures for code violations. He read the following:

**Resolution 22-01 to Accept Coronavirus local fiscal recovery funds (American Rescue Plan Act) Motion/Second: Robisch/Wegener. Approved by vote: Aye 4 Nay 0.**

**Old Business:** Mayor Hamberg said that the Sun Rock Farm proposal from Grand Communities will be postponed until March. Campbell County Planning and Zoning does not recommend the zone change on the development as submitted.

**New Business:** Mayor Hamberg said the Governor has proposed a 1% reduction in vehicle property tax. There was discussion of anticipation of funds coming for infrastructure. Discretionary Road Fund requests were submitted to Frankfort.

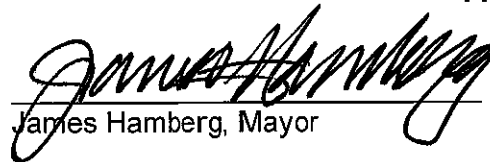
**Payment of Vouchers:** Check vouchers #32271-32302 were presented for Council's review.

**Mayor & Council Comments:** Vision 25-30 meeting will be postponed at this time until after ARPA planning and budget time.

**Announcements:** none.

**Adjournment:** There being no further business, **Motion/Second: Melville/Okura. Approved by vote: Aye 4 Nay 0.**

ATTEST: Brandi Barton  
Brandi Barton, City Clerk

  
James Hamberg, Mayor