

**CITY OF SOUTHGATE
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Dec. 7, 2022
City Building 122 Electric Ave.
Youth Appreciation Night**

Campbell County Judge Cameron Blau gave the oath of office to the Mayor, Council, and new police officer Boeschstein.

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

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

Public Comments: Mayor Hamberg said that students from St. Therese and Southgate Schools will sit in the place of Mayor, Council, and staff for the night. Students from Southgate School: Micah Specht (Mayor), Desiray Eversole (Finance Director), Priscilla Alford (Public Works Foreman), Dakota Nickell (Council member Wegener), Kaci Schuler (Council member Robisch), Niouma Diagana (Council member Anderson). Students from St. Therese School: Miriam Van Ausdall (Police Chief), Hayley Schuler (City Clerk), Grayson Davies (Fire Chief), Lexi Boden (City Attorney), Alex Bacon (Council member Okura), Noah Meyers (Council member Melville), and George Gutzwiller (Council member Messmer).

Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of 11/16/22. Motion/Second: Robisch/Anderson. Approved by voice vote: Aye 6 Nay 0.

Public Works: Councilman Melville said the City is evaluating the street repairs to be done. Public Works will finish picking up leaves and get the vehicles ready for snow removal. Public Works Foreman said Christmas tree recycling will be done Dec. 26-Jan. 6.

Public Safety: Councilman Anderson said to be mindful of holiday shopping and to lock your vehicle and place items in the truck. Police Chief Christmann said the City has a new police recruit. Charles Boeschstein will be going to the police academy for 20 weeks. Fire Chief Beatsch said that the Fire Dept. purchased a new fire truck this year.

Code Enforcement: Councilman Messmer said there were 25 active cases, 26 resolved cases and 20 new cases.

Community Relations & Recreation: Council Member Okura said the Community Christmas Party will be held on Dec. 18. The Park & Tree Board Christmas decorating contest judging will be held on Dec. 15.

Public Buildings: Councilman Robisch reported on his committee assignment for city buildings and budget needs. Mayor Hamberg presented Council Member Robisch with proclamations from House of Representative Rachel Roberts, Campbell County Judge Executive Pendery, and the City of Southgate. The Mayor thanked Councilman Robisch for his 20 years of service to the City.

Finance and Administration: Council Member Wegener said that he reviewed the payables. **There was a motion to approve the October financials. Motion/Second: Wegener/Messmer. Approved by voice vote: Aye 6 Nay 0.**

Finance Director/Treasurer Franklin reported that the expenses for general fund are around 36% which are where they should be. The auditors are preparing a draft and it should be ready in January. City Clerk Barton said that taxes were due Nov. 30. Collections are around 96%. City Attorney Stewart reported on her responsibilities with the City.

Old Business: none.

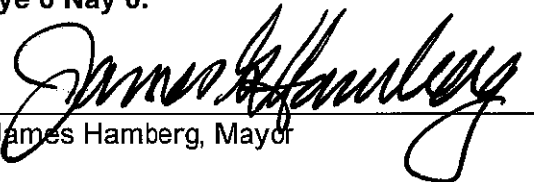
New Business: Motion to cancel the December 21 council meeting. **Motion/Second: Anderson/Messmer to adjourn the meeting. Approved by voice vote. Aye 6 Nay 0**

Payment of Vouchers: Check vouchers #33076-33128 were presented for Council's review.

Mayor & Council Comments: none.

Announcements: Mayor Hamberg and Optimist Club President Tom Paolucci presented certificates to the students who participated.

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