## CITY OF SOUTHGATE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES April 3, 2024 122 Electric Ave.

Call to Order: Mayor Hamberg called the meeting to order.

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

Public Comments: none.

Approval of regular meeting minutes 3/20/24. Motion/Second: Okura/Anderson. Approved by vote: Aye 5 Nay 0.

**Public Works:** Councilman Melville said that Public Works Department is finishing the tennis courts project. Seed and straw will be done to complete it. The playground at the Community Center Park will be the next project. Public Works Foreman Bowman said he has a meeting tomorrow with the contractor who will be doing work on the Street Project.

**Public Safety:** Councilman Anderson said the committee met to discuss the options for the Police Dept. evidence room. The committee is looking at other options and pricing. Police Chief Christmann had no report. Fire Chief John Beatsch had no report.

**Code Enforcement:** Councilman Messmer said the Code Enforcement Board met last week. He said there has not been a hearing to come before the Board for over 12 years.

Community Relations & Recreation: Council Member Okura said the Optimist Club will have the Night at the Races on 4/13 and Fishing Derby on 5/18. Arbor Day Celebration is 4/26. Campbell County Spring Cleanup is 4/26-4/27. The Southgate Fire Dept. and Knights of Columbus is hosting a Chili Night on 4/19 at St. Therese. The Park & Tree Board will have a Volunteer Garden Day on 4/20.

**Public Buildings**: Councilman Lycans said he attended the committee meeting about the Police Dept. evidence room.

Finance and Administration: Council Member Wegener was absent.

Finance Director Edgley said the budget is on target for expenses and revenue. Ms. Edgley said since Council Member Wegener was not present, a Council Member will need to make a motion to approve the February financials. **Motion to approve February financials**. **Motion/Second:** Anderson/Lycans. Approved by vote: Aye 5 Nay 0.

City Clerk Barton said Duke Energy Foundation has awarded the City the grant for park benches to be put in the Community Center Park.

City Attorney Stewart had no report, but read the following:

Ordinance 24-04 Adopt franchise fee for Gas & Electric (first reading)

Ordinance 24-05 Amend Rental Dwelling regulatory fee (first reading)

Resolution 24-02 Arbor Day Celebration. Motion/Second: Okura/Melville. Approved by vote: Aye 5 Nay 0.

Resolution 24-03 Adopt NKY Regional Hazardous Mitigation Plan 2024. Motion/Second: Okura/Anderson. Approved by vote: Aye 5 Nay 0.

Proclamation for Fair Housing month in April. Motion/Second: Anderson/Melville. Approved by vote: Aye 5 Nay 0.

Old Business: none.

New Business: none.

Payment of Vouchers: Check vouchers #34350-34377 were presented for Council's review.

Mayor & Council Comments: none.

Announcements: none.

Adjournment: There being no further business, Motion/Second: Messmer/Anderson Approved by vote: Aye 5 Nay 0.

ATTEST: Brandi Bacton

Brandi Barton, City Clerk