

**CITY OF SOUTHGATE
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Sept. 18, 2024
122 Electric Ave.**

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

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

Public Comments: Terry Petering and David Basinger spoke about the SD1 project and the hillside slippage issue at Woodland Hills. Mayor Hamberg said he spoke with SD 1 about it and that this was a private matter between SD1 and Woodland Hills.

Approval of meeting minutes 9/4/24. Motion/Second: Melville/Okura. Approved by vote: Aye 6 Nay 0.

Public Works: Councilman Melville reported that SD1 requested to temporarily lower the lake at the Community Center for the project they are working on to move the pipes. Public Works Foreman Bowman said the City needed to cut a tree down on W. Walnut St. next to Pangallo's house. A large branch fell on the road and the tree is rotted out.

Public Safety: Councilman Anderson had no report. Police Sgt. Johns had no report except to say that Chief Christmann was in training this week. Fire Chief Beatsch said the Fire Dept. has hired a new attorney due to the prior attorney's illness. He said there is a County wide burn ban in effect currently.

Code Enforcement: Councilman Messmer had no report.

Community Relations & Recreation: Council Member Okura said there is a Volunteer Garden Day on Saturday. The County Senior Picnic is 9/25. The Pumpkin Walk will be 10/11. Fire Dept. Auxiliary Stagette is 10/18.

Public Buildings: Councilman Lycans asked about the pre work for the Police evidence room. Mayor Hamberg said there will be a meeting scheduled soon.

Finance and Administration: Council Member Wegener said he reviewed the payables. Finance Director Edgley said she is working on closing entries for the auditors. City Clerk Barton said she is printing & reviewing tax bills. Ms. Barton gave an update on the playground. The City is waiting on several items that were ordered. The owner of DWA Recreation delivered a park bench and gave several playground borders to the City for compensation for the problems with the playground installation.

Assistant City Attorney Shultz read the first reading of **Ordinance 24-12 to Repeal Section 71.03 of the Code of Ordinances and create a new section under Chapter 71 authorizing golf carts on certain streets in the City; provide for inspection and City permit and sticker, establish speed limits and required equipment, hours of operation, and age and operator's**

license. There was discussion among Council. There were questions about penalties, fines, and enforcement. Council wanted to wait until next meeting in Oct. to have first reading.

Resolution 24-10 Authorize Mayor to sign loan documents with Heritage Bank for purchase of Police 2024 Dodge Ram 1500. Motion/Second: Anderson/Wegener. Approved by vote: Aye 6 Nay 0.

Old Business: Councilman Anderson asked about last council meeting's discussion of the old tennis court park. Mayor Hamberg said Park & Tree Board has a plan concept that will come to Council. There is a LWCF grant that the City is waiting on reimbursement of \$25,000. There is also a Campbell County Conservation grant match of \$,2000 that was approved. There was discussion about the park.

New Business: none.

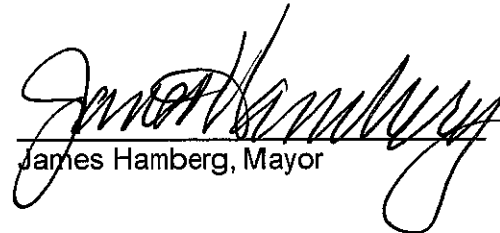
Payment of Vouchers: Check vouchers #34753-34783 were presented for Council's review.

Mayor & Council Comments: none.

Announcements: none.

Adjournment: There being no further business, **Motion/Second: Anderson/Melville. Approved by vote: Aye 6 Nay 0.**

ATTEST: Brandi Barton
Brandi Barton, City Clerk


James Hamberg, Mayor