

**CITY OF SOUTHGATE
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Youth Night
December 7, 2016
City Building, 122 Electric Ave**

Call to Order: Mayor Jim Hamberg called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Mayor Hamberg announced that Youth Appreciation Night is a cooperative effort of the City of Southgate, Southgate Optimist Club, Southgate and St Therese Schools. This is an opportunity for students to learn of the inner workings of city government by filling seats at a Council Meeting. Tom Fischer, President of the Optimist Club introduced the students and their positions.

Mayor (Jim Hamberg) Southgate Public School – Sam Schwegman, Finance (Pat Hayley) Southgate Public School – Sam Herald, Public Buildings (Chris Robisch) Southgate Public School – Tara Boettcher, Public Works (Joe Anderson) Southgate Public School - Bryson Dickerson, City Treasurer (Terri Hudson) Southgate Public School – Maddie Paul, Public Works (Arvil Bowman) Southgate Public School – Gannon Ehrman, Community Events & Ballfield (Sue Payne) St. Therese School – Ellie Kramer, Code Enforcement (Jim Enzweiler) St. Therese School – Priscilla Caballero, Public Safety (Dan Speier) St. Therese School- Daniel Buchanan, City Attorney (Mary Ann Stewart) St. Therese School – Andrew Bacon, Police Chief (John Christmann) St. Therese School – Jason Grothaus, City Clerk (Brandi Barton) St. Therese School-Haley Luersen, Fire Chief (John Beatsch) Southgate Fire Department – St. Therese School – Joe Melville.

The following answered roll call: Council Members Anderson, Payne, Hayley, Speier, and Enzweiler were present. Council Member Robisch was absent. Also present: City Clerk Brandi Barton, Finance Director/Treasurer Terri Hudson, Police Chief John Christmann, Public Works Foreman Arvil Bowman, Bryce Rhodes for City Attorney Mary Ann Stewart and Fire Chief John Beatsch.

Public Comments: none.

Approval of Meeting Minutes of 11/16/16. Motion/Second: Anderson/Speier. Approved by voice vote: Aye 5 Nay 0.

Public Works: Councilman Anderson reported that Public Works is doing leaf pick up this week. They are preparing for snow and ice removal. Public Works Foreman Bowman said the last day for leaf collection will be December 16th.

Public Safety: Council Member Speier reported that SWEMS next meeting will be January 10th. Police Chief Christmann said that he completed his annual training. Officer Gross will receive the Governor's Award for DUI Enforcement. The new police cruiser will be on the road in February. Fire Chief Beatsch reported that in 2016 the Southgate Fire Department will respond to over 350 emergency and non-emergency calls.

Code Enforcement: Council Member Enzweiler reported that there were 24 active cases, 25 resolved cases, and 0 new cases.

Community Relations & Recreation: Council Member Payne reported that the Fire Department will hold the Community Christmas Party at the Community Center on Dec. 18. The Park & Tree Board will be judging the holiday lights on Dec. 15.

Public Buildings: Tara Boettcher reported for Councilman Robisch.

Finance and Administration: Council Member Hayley recommended that the payables be paid. **There was a motion to approve the October Financials. Motion/Second: Hayley/Speier. Approved by voice vote: Aye 5 Nay 0.**

Finance Director Hudson said the financials listed a loan balance of \$225,000 on the TAN Loan at the end of October. The loan was paid off in November, now that most of the tax payments have been paid. In the Community Center Fund, the rental income of \$15,300 is about \$3,000 ahead of last year. City Clerk Barton said that payment of tax bills is at 93%. Delinquent notices will be mailed out in mid-month. Bryce Rhodes, Attorney attending for Mary Ann Stewart, had no report, but read the following ordinance (second reading): Ordinance 16-13 Amend Animal ordinance regarding fines. **There was a motion to approve Ordinance 16-13. Motion/Second: Anderson/Hayley. Approved by voice vote: Aye 5 Nay 0.**

Mr. Rhodes also read Resolution 16-13 Authorize Mayor to sign Interlocal Agreement regarding animal control fines. **There was a motion to approve Resolution 16-13. Motion/Second: Payne/Enzweiler. Approved by voice vote: Aye 5 Nay 0.**

Old Business: none.

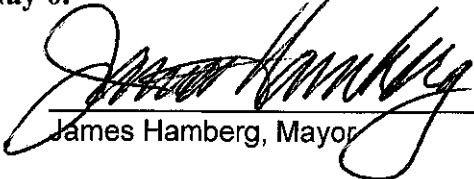
New Business: none.

Payment of Vouchers: Check vouchers #21910 – 21965 were presented for the Council's review.

Mayor & Council Comments: Mayor Hamberg thanked all who participated in the Youth Council Night and Tom Fischer from the Optimist Club for organizing the event. Tom Fischer and Mayor Hamberg presented each of the students with a certificate.

Announcements: none

Adjournment: There being no further business, **Motion/Second: Enzweiler/Payne to adjourn the meeting. Approved by voice vote. Aye 5, Nay 0.**


James Hamberg, Mayor

ATTEST: Brandi Barton
Brandi Barton, City Clerk