

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA, ILLINOIS  
HELD MONDAY MAY 6, 2019 IN THE COUNCIL ROOM OF CITY HALL.**

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**I. Call To Order**

Mayor Hutchinson called the City Council of Columbia, Illinois to order at 7:00 P.M. Upon roll call, the following were:

Ebersohl	Present	Agne	Present
Niemietz	Present	Roessler	Absent
Huch	Present	Reis	Absent
Holtkamp	Present	Martens	Present

Quorum present. Those in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Administrative Staff present:

City Clerk Wes Hoeffken	Interim City Administrator Al Hudzik
City Attorney Luke Behme	Chief of Police Jerry Paul
City Engineer Chris Smith	Dir. of Community Dev. Scott Dunakey
EMS Chief Kim Lamprecht	Accounting Manager & Acting City Treasurer Linda Sharp

**II. Delegations / Public Comments**

There were no delegations or citizen comments.

**III. Read and Approve Minutes**

**A. Regular Meeting**

The minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held Monday, April 15, 2019 were submitted for approval.

**Motion:**

It was moved by Alderman Martens, and seconded by Alderman Niemietz, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held Monday, April 15, 2019 as on file at City Hall.

Motion Passed 6 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Ebersohl	Yea	Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea
Roessler	Absent	Huch	Yea	Reis	Absent
Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea		

**IV. Report of Departments and Officers**

**A. Community Development**

The report of the Community Development Department was presented to the Council.

1. Ordinance No. 3461 – Historic Main Street Columbia Association, Inc. Agreement

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Huch, and seconded by Alderman Ebersohl, to approve Ordinance No. 3461, an ordinance authorizing the Mayor of the City of Columbia, Illinois to execute an agreement with the Historic Main Street Columbia Association, Inc., an Illinois Nonprofit Corporation, for completing the Main Street District Plan and administering supplemental services in support of said plan. Motion Passed 6 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Ebersohl	Yea	Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea
Roessler	Absent	Huch	Yea	Reis	Absent
Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea		

2. Hire Jessica Unger as Full-Time Community Development Assistant

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Huch, and seconded by Alderman Ebersohl, to accept the recommendation of the Director of Community Development and employ Jessica Unger as a Full-Time Community Development Assistant. Motion Passed 6 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Ebersohl	Yea	Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea
Roessler	Absent	Huch	Yea	Reis	Absent
Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea		

3. Motion to Release Irrevocable Letter of Credit #02-BROS-2016 issued for Fox Run Estates I and II Capital Improvements Maintenance Guarantee

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Ebersohl, and seconded by Alderman Huch, to authorize the Mayor to release the Irrevocable Letter of Credit #02-BROS-2016 issued for Fox Run Estates I and II Capital Improvements Maintenance Guarantee. Motion Passed 6 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Ebersohl	Yea	Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea
Roessler	Absent	Huch	Yea	Reis	Absent
Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea		

4. Special Event – EMS Car Seat Event

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Martens, and seconded by Alderman Holtkamp, to approve the Special Event Permit Application for the EMS Car Seat Event as submitted and on file at City Hall. Motion Passed 6 to 0.

Voice vote results:

Ebersohl	Yea	Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea
Roessler	Absent	Huch	Yea	Reis	Absent
Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea		

5. Special Event – Songs4Soldiers

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Martens, and seconded by Alderman Niemietz, to approve the Special Event Permit Application for the Songs4Soldiers as submitted and on file at City Hall. Motion Passed 6 to 0.

Voice vote results:

Ebersohl	Yea	Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea
Roessler	Absent	Huch	Yea	Reis	Absent
Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea		

B. City Engineer/Public Works

The report of the City Engineer and the Public Works Department was presented to the Council.

1. Resolution No. 2019-08 – Appropriating Funds for Bolm-Schuhkraft Connector Trail Project

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Niemietz, and seconded by Alderman Ebersohl, to approve Resolution No. 2019-08, a resolution appropriating funds for the Bolm-Schuhkraft Connector Trail Project. Motion Passed 6 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Ebersohl	Yea	Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea
Roessler	Absent	Huch	Yea	Reis	Absent
Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea		

2. Ordinance No. 3462 – Joint Agreement Between IDOT and City for Bolm-Schuhkraft Connector Trail Project

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Niemietz, and seconded by Alderman Ebersohl, to approve Ordinance No. 3462, an ordinance authorizing a Joint Agreement between the Illinois

Department of Transportation and the City of Columbia with regards to the Bolm-Schuhkraft Connector Trail Project. Motion Passed 6 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Ebersohl	Yea	Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea
Roessler	Absent	Huch	Yea	Reis	Absent
Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea		

3. Engineering Agreement with Gonzalez Companies for Monroe Street Water Main Replacement Project

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Niemietz, and seconded by Alderman Ebersohl, to authorize the Mayor to sign an Engineering Agreement with Gonzalez Companies at a cost not to exceed \$10,940.00 for engineering services for the Monroe Street Water Main Replacement project. Motion Passed 6 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Ebersohl	Yea	Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea
Roessler	Absent	Huch	Yea	Reis	Absent
Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea		

4. Resolution No. 2019-09 – Grant Agreement with IDNR

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Martens, and seconded by Alderman Huch, to approve Resolution No. 2019-09, a resolution approving a Grant Agreement with the Illinois Department of Natural Resources and authorizing and directing the Mayor to execute said Agreement. Motion Passed 6 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Ebersohl	Yea	Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea
Roessler	Absent	Huch	Yea	Reis	Absent
Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea		

5. Engineering Agreement with Millennia Professional Services for Creekside Park Project

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Niemietz, and seconded by Alderman Martens, to authorize the Mayor to sign an Engineering Agreement with Millennia Professional Services at a cost not to exceed \$76,800.00 for engineering services for the Creekside Park project. Motion Passed 6 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Ebersohl	Yea	Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea
Roessler	Absent	Huch	Yea	Reis	Absent
Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea		

6. Engineering Agreement with Millennia Professional Services for Wilson Hills Storm Sewer Analysis Project

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Ebersohl, and seconded by Alderman Huch, to authorize the Mayor to sign an Engineering Agreement with Millennia Professional Services at a cost not to exceed \$29,900.00 for engineering services for the Wilson Hills Storm Sewer Analysis project. Motion Passed 6 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Ebersohl	Yea	Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea
Roessler	Absent	Huch	Yea	Reis	Absent
Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea		

7. Pavement Marking Bids

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Ebersohl, and seconded by Alderman Holtkamp, to accept the low bid of \$9,772.25 submitted by Right Way Traffic Control of Freeburg, Illinois for pavement marking of streets within the City of Columbia, Illinois. Motion Passed 6 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Ebersohl	Yea	Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea
Roessler	Absent	Huch	Yea	Reis	Absent
Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea		

8. Supply of Petroleum Products Bids

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Ebersohl, and seconded by Alderman Holtkamp, to accept the low bid submitted by R&M Oil and Supply, Inc. for the 2019 supply of petroleum products for the City of Columbia, Illinois. Motion Passed 6 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Ebersohl	Yea	Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea
Roessler	Absent	Huch	Yea	Reis	Absent
Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea		

C. Finance

1. Vouchers To Be Paid

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Huch, and seconded by Alderman Martens, to authorize the payment of vouchers received through May 2, 2019 in the amount of four hundred thirty-eight thousand, seven hundred ten dollars and five cents (\$438,710.05). Motion Passed 6 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Ebersohl	Yea	Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea
Roessler	Absent	Huch	Yea	Reis	Absent
Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea		

2. Resolution No. 2019-10 – Issuance of Industrial Revenue Bonds for Budnick Converting, Inc. Project

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Holtkamp, and seconded by Alderman Martens, to approve Resolution No. 2019-10, a resolution authorizing the issuance of Industrial Revenue Bonds, Series 2019, for the Budnick Converting, Inc. Project, in a principal amount not to exceed \$7,000,000.00 to provide funds to be loaned to Budnick Converting, Inc. to finance the costs of constructing certain facilities, and authorizing and approving certain documents and actions in connection with the issuance of said Bonds. Motion Passed 6 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Ebersohl	Yea	Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea
Roessler	Absent	Huch	Yea	Reis	Absent
Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea		

D. City Clerk

The City Clerk presented his report to the Council.

1. EMA - Flood Update

As the EMA Director for the City, Mr. Hoeffken provided the following information.

- The Monday morning river level was 41.27'. The river crested this morning.
- The Columbia Levee protects 14,000 acres and is constructed to handle a river level of 47.7'.
- Future rain falls will result in new river projections, including flood levels and crest dates.
- The snow pack up north has melted and is no longer a threat to our area.
- The Missouri and Illinois rivers are at levels lower than projected, which minimizes the flooding impact to the Mississippi.

- The individual levee districts monitor the river levels and their levee systems for sand boils or any other problems. Should any problems arise they work with the Army Corps of Engineers to come up with a plan on how to fix the problem. They then contact EMA to obtain the needed resources and materials required to fix the situation (i.e. sandbags, sand, people to fill and/or place the bags, plastic, and culverts).
- In the event EMA does not have the requested resources or materials they submit a request to IEMA (Illinois Emergency Management Agency).
- Monroe County EMA (MoCo EMA) has stockpiled filled sandbags, empty sandbags, and sand in the cave at Rock City. MoCo EMA also has 2 sand bag filling machines at the site and will initiate bag filling initiatives as required. There will be a single sandbag filling site for the entire County and logistics for sandbags will be addressed as requested.
- Should it become necessary to open a bagging location in Columbia the local EMA Director will coordinate that effort.

E. City Attorney

The City Attorney presented his report to the Council.

F. City Administrator

The report of the City Administrator was presented to the Council.

1. City Administrator Position

Mr. Hudzik provided an overview of the review process for hiring a new City Administrator.

- The Interim City Administrator and the Personnel Committee Chairman will review the applications and select the top 10.
- The Personnel Committee will review those 10 applications and rank 1 – 10.
- The top 5 candidates will be interviewed by the Interim City Administrator and two Personnel Committee members.
- The Council will interview the top 3 candidates.

G. Mayor

The report of the Mayor was presented to the Council.

V. **Old Business**

There was no Old Business brought before the Council.

VI. **Report of Standing Committees**

There were no Reports of Standing Committees.

VII. **Adjourn Sine Die**

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Huch, and seconded by Alderman Martens, to adjourn Sine Die the Regular City Council meeting held Monday, May 6, 2019 at 7:18 P.M. Motion Passed 6 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Ebersohl	Yea	Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea
Roessler	Absent	Huch	Yea	Reis	Absent
Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea		

**VIII. Swearing in of Aldermen**

Mayor Hutchinson swore in Aldermen Holtkamp, Huch, Martens, and Riddle.

**IX. Call To Order**

Mayor Hutchinson called the new City Council of Columbia, Illinois to order at 7:22 P.M. Upon roll call, the following were:

Ebersohl	Present	Agne	Present
Niemietz	Present	Roessler	Absent
Huch	Present	Holtkamp	Present
Martens	Present	Riddle	Present

Quorum present.

Administrative Staff present:

City Clerk Wes Hoeffken	Interim City Administrator Al Hudzik
City Attorney Luke Behme	Chief of Police Jerry Paul
City Engineer Chris Smith	Dir. of Community Dev. Scott Dunakey
EMS Chief Kim Lamprecht	Accounting Manager & Acting City Treasurer Linda Sharp

**X. New Business**

There was no New Business brought before the Council.

**XI. Call for Committee Meetings - Monday, May 13, 2019**

Committee of the Whole  
Executive and Rules

**XII. Executive Session**

Mayor Hutchinson informed the Council that he would entertain a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss collective bargaining as permitted under 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2).

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Huch, and seconded by Alderman Holtkamp, to direct the Mayor to go into Executive Session at 7:25 P.M. to discuss bargaining unit negotiations as permitted under 5 ILCS 120/2(c). Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Ebersohl	Yea	Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea
Roessler	Absent	Huch	Yea	Holtkamp	Yea
Martens	Yea	Riddle	Yea		



Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Niemietz, and seconded by Alderman Huch, to return to Regular Session of the City Council at 8:02 P.M. Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Ebersohl	Yea	Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea
Roessler	Absent	Huch	Yea	Holtkamp	Yea
Martens	Yea	Riddle	Yea		

Upon return to Regular Session, Aldermen Ebersohl, Agne, Niemietz, Huch, Holtkamp, Martens, Riddle, and Mayor Hutchinson were present.

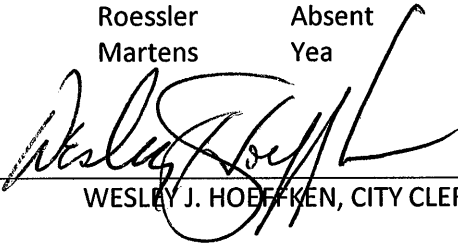
**XIII. Adjournment**

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Agne, and seconded by Alderman Martens, to adjourn the Regular City Council meeting held Monday, May 6, 2019 at 8:02 P.M. Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Ebersohl	Yea	Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea
Roessler	Absent	Huch	Yea	Holtkamp	Yea
Martens	Yea	Riddle	Yea		

  
WESLEY J. HOEFFKEN, CITY CLERK

  
MAYOR KEVIN B. HUTCHINSON