

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA,  
ILLINOIS HELD MONDAY, MAY 3, 2010 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 PM. Upon Roll Call, the following members were:

<b>Ebersohl</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	<b>Hejna</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
<b>Agne</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	<b>Oberkfell</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
<b>Niemietz</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	<b>Stumpf</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
<b>Row</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	<b>Roessler</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent

Quorum Present.

Administrative Staff Present:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Clerk Ron Colyer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Administrator Al Hudzik
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Attorney Tom Adams	<input type="checkbox"/> Chief of Police Joe Edwards
<input type="checkbox"/> Building Inspector Al Holden	<input type="checkbox"/> City Treasurer Bob Naumann
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Engineer Ron Williams	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director of Economic Development Paul Ellis
<input type="checkbox"/> Fire Chief Mike Roediger	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Deputy Chief of Police Jerry Paul
<input type="checkbox"/> Deputy CEMS Director Ken Buss	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accounting Manager Linda Sharp
	<input type="checkbox"/> Head Librarian Erica Pyle

The Council and citizens in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**II. DELEGATION**

A. None.

**III. READ AND APPROVE MINUTES**

A. Regular City Council Meeting of April 19, 2010

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held Monday, April 19, 2010 were submitted for approval.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held Monday, April 19, 2010, as on file at City Hall.

Moved by: Hejna                      Second: Stumpf                      Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne	Yea	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried      8 To 0

**IV. REPORT OF DEPARTMENTS/OFFICERS**

A. Community & Economic Development

1. Heritage & Preservation Commission Meeting Minutes of March 22, 2010 were presented.
2. Play Commission Meeting Minutes of February 22, 2010 were presented.
3. Ordinance to Authorize the City of Columbia, IL to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with Southwestern Illinois Resource Conservation and Development of Mascoutah, IL to provide assistance in applying for an Open Space Land Acquisition and Development Grant.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve Ordinance No. 2782, An Ordinance to Authorize the City of Columbia, Illinois to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with Southwestern Illinois Resource Conservation and Development of Mascoutah, Illinois to provide assistance in applying for an Open Space Land Acquisition and Development Grant for the City of Columbia, Illinois.

Moved by: Niemietz                      Second: Agne                      Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne	Yea	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried      8 To 0

4.      Update on Miller-Fiege Home Roof Repairs

Director of Economic and Community Development Paul Ellis updated the Council on roof repairs and indicated that he would work with City Engineer Ron Williams in preparing bid specifications. Mr. Ellis, after discussion with Council members and the Mayor, indicated that he would seek bids on multiple surface types.

B.      City Engineer/Department of Public Works

1.      Engineer's Report

The City Engineer's Report was presented by City Engineer Ron Williams.

2.      Ordinance Entering into an Amended Agreement with IDOT for Palmer Road

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve Ordinance No. 2783, An Ordinance to authorize an amended joint agreement between the Illinois Department of Transportation and the City of Columbia, Illinois with regard to the hot mix resurfacing and other necessary incidental items to complete Palmer Road/Quarry Road from Ghent Road to DD Road in the City of Columbia, Illinois.

Moved by: Ebersohl                      Second: Roessler                      Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne	Yea	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried      8 to 0

3.      Ordinance Entering into an Agreement with Oates Associates for Construction Engineering for Palmer Road

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve Ordinance No. 2784, An Ordinance to employ Oates Associates, Inc. of Collinsville, Illinois to render professional services to the City of Columbia, Illinois for additional construction engineering in connection with the Palmer Road Resurfacing.

Moved by: Ebersohl                      Second: Roessler                      Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne	Yea	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried      8 to 0

4. Ordinance Entering into an Amended Agreement with IDOT for the Kunz Street Project

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve Ordinance No. 2785, An Ordinance to authorize a joint agreement between the Illinois Department of Transportation and the City of Columbia, Illinois with regard to the reconstruction of Kunz Street from Legion Street to Main Street in the City of Columbia, Illinois.

Moved by: Agne		Second: Ebersohl		Vote: Roll Call	
Ebersohl	Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne	Yea	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 8 to 0

5. Resolution for MFT program for FY 2010-2011

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve Resolution No.01-2010, A Resolution for the Maintenance of Streets and Highways by the Municipality, using appropriated sums of Motor Fuel Tax funds under the Illinois Highway Code - Fiscal Year January 1, 2010 to April 30, 2011 MFT Program.

Moved by: Ebersohl		Second: Roessler		Vote: Roll Call	
Ebersohl	Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne	Yea	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 8 to 0

6. Updates

Mr. Williams gave a progress report to the Council on projects regarding Palmer Road, Old Town and the newly relocated Bulk Water Station.

C. Plan Commission Meeting Minutes - April 26, 2010

The Planning Commission Meeting Minutes of April 26, 2010 were presented to the City Council by Edith Dean.

D. City Attorney

1. City Attorney Tom Adams indicated that he had no items to present for Council action.
2. He updated the Council on three files under his consideration:
  - a. the False-Alarm Bill under consideration in the Legislature
  - b. the IEPA suit against the City of Columbia
  - c. the STS Custom Homes Suit is currently in Discovery

Mr. Adams answered questions from the Council and discussed the background of the IEPA suit.

E. Finance Department

1. Vouchers To Be Paid

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to authorize the payment of vouchers received through April 29, 2010; the total amount of the vouchers to be paid is one hundred eighty-three thousand, three hundred ninety-five dollars and fourteen cents (\$183,395.14).

Moved by: Roessler      Second: Ebersohl      Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne	Yea	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 8 To 0

F. Administration Department

1. Administrator's Report--City Administrator Al Hudzik
2. 4th of July Committee Request

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the request from the July 4<sup>th</sup> Committee to hold its annual celebration and to appropriate \$5,500.00 to the Committee to help offset expenses.

Moved by: Ebersohl      Second: Niemietz      Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne	Yea	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 8 to 0

G. Mayor

1. Mayor's Report

Mayor Hutchinson presented the April, 2010 Mayor's Report to the City Council.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to accept the reports of all Departments and Officers as presented.

Moved by: Roessler      Second: Niemietz      Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne	Yea	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 8 to 0

V. OLD BUSINESS

None.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

None.

VII. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

- A. Committee of the Whole

1. Motion: Recommend to the City Council approval of the Art on the Bluffs Art Walk event to be held on October 2, 2010 on Main Street as discussed in Committee, provided the event is coordinated with the following city departments: Police, Fire, EMS, DOPW, Community and Economic Development and the City Clerk's Office.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to recommend to the City Council approval of the Art on the Bluffs Art Walk event to be held on October 2, 2010 on Main Street as discussed in Committee, provided the event is coordinated with the following city departments: Police, Fire, EMS, DOPW, Community and Economic Development and the City Clerk's Office.

Moved by: Ebersohl	Second: Stumpf	Vote: Roll Call		
Ebersohl Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne Yea	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 8 to 0

2. Regular Session Minutes - April 26, 2010

The Committee of the Whole Committee Meeting minutes held Monday, April 26, 2010 were presented for approval.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Committee meeting held Monday, April 26, 2010 as on file at City Hall.

Moved by: Ebersohl	Second: Row	Vote: Roll Call		
Ebersohl Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne Yea	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 8 to 0

B. Personnel

1. Motion: Recommend to the City Council that the city employ Mark W. Weisman, attorney with the firm of Gallop, Johnson & Neuman as labor counsel to review the DOPW collective bargaining negotiations documentation and provide advice and counsel on how the city should proceed with future negotiations.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to Recommend to the City Council that the city employ Mark W. Weisman, attorney with the firm of Gallop, Johnson & Neuman as labor counsel to review the DOPW collective bargaining negotiations documentation and provide advice and counsel on how the city should proceed with future negotiations.

Moved by: Niemietz	Second: Roessler	Vote: Roll Call		
Ebersohl Yea	Row	Abstain	Stumpf	Yea
Agne Yea	Hejna	Abstain	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 6 To 0 with 2 abstentions

2. Regular Session Minutes - April 26, 2010

The Personnel Committee Meeting minutes held Monday, April 26, 2010 were presented for approval.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Personnel Committee meeting held Monday, April 26, 2010 as on file at City Hall.

Moved by: Niemietz      Second: Stumpf      Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne	Yea	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 8 To 0

3. Executive Session Minutes - April 26, 2010

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the Executive Session minutes of the Personnel Committee meeting held Monday, April 26, 2010 as on file at City Hall.

Moved by: Niemietz      Second: Ebersohl      Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne	Yea	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 8 To 0

**VIII. CALL FOR COMMITTEE MEETINGS - May 10, 2010**

- 7:00 PM - Parks, Playgrounds and Recreation
- 7:15 PM - Executive and Rules

**IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A. Discussion on employment of labor counsel.

Mayor Hutchinson informed the Council that he would entertain a motion to go into Executive Session for the purpose of meeting for the discussion of employment of labor counsel regarding a personnel issue.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to direct the Mayor to go into Executive Session at 7:45 P.M. for the purpose of meeting for the discussion of employment of labor counsel regarding a personnel issue.

Moved by: Niemietz      Second: Roessler      Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne	Yea	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 8 To 0

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to return to Regular Session of the City Council at 7:58 P.M.

Moved by: Niemietz      Second: Agne      Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne	Yea	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 8 To 0

Upon return to Regular Session, Aldermen Ebersohl, Agne, Niemietz, Row, Hejna, Oberkfell, Stumpf, Roessler and Mayor Hutchinson were present.

Mayor Hutchinson inquired if there was any business to be brought before the Council as a result of the Executive Session.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to authorize the hiring of Labor Attorney Mark W. Weismann to assist the Police and Fire Commission in answering questions from a candidate.

Moved by: Niemietz                      Second: Ebersohl                      Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne	Yea	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 8 To 0

**X. ADJOURNMENT**

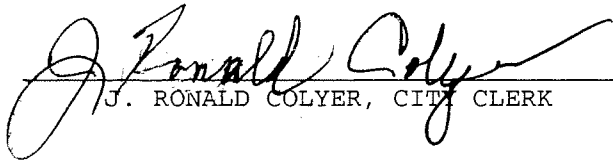
MOTION:

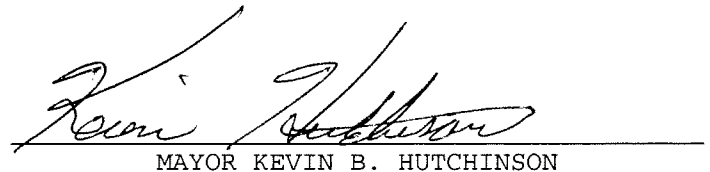
It was moved and seconded to adjourn the Regular City Council Meeting held Monday, May 3, 2010 at 8:00 P.M.

Moved by: Niemietz                      Second: Stumpf                      Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne	Yea	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 8 To 0

  
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J. RONALD COLYER, CITY CLERK

  
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MAYOR KEVIN B. HUTCHINSON