

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA,  
ILLINOIS HELD TUESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2011 IN THE COUNCIL ROOM OF CITY HALL**

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**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Hutchinson called the City Council of the City 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 type="checkbox"/> Present	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Absent
<b>Row</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Present	<input checked="" 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 Terry Bruckert	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chief of Police & Ambulance Director 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fire Marshall 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Head Librarian Erica Pyle	

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

**II. READ AND APPROVE MINUTES**

A. Regular City Council Meeting of January 3, 2011

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held January 3, 2011 were submitted for approval.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held January 3, 2011, as on file at City Hall.

Moved by: Niemietz                      Second: Agne                      Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried      6 To 0

**III. REPORT OF DEPARTMENTS/OFFICERS**

A. Library - Monthly Report

Librarian Erica Pyle presented the monthly Library Report.

B. Police Department

1. Police Department & Communications - Monthly Reports

The Police and Communications Department monthly reports were presented to the City Council by Chief of Police & Ambulance Director Joe Edwards.

2. Oath of New Police Officers: Michelle Simmons & Brian Etherton

Mayor Hutchinson administered the oath of office to two new members of the Columbia Police Department, Michelle Simmons and Brian Etherton.

C. EMS Department - Monthly Report

The monthly report of the EMS Department was presented to the City Council by Chief of Police & Ambulance Director Joe Edwards.

D. Fire Department

1. Monthly Report

The monthly report of the Fire Department was presented by Fire Marshal Mike Roediger.

2. 2010 Year End Report

The 2010 Year End Report of the Fire Department was presented by Fire Marshal Mike Roediger.

E. Building and Zoning Department

1. Monthly Report

The monthly report of the Building and Zoning Department was presented to the City Council.

2. 2010 Annual Report

The 2010 Annual Report of the Building and Zoning Department was presented to the City Council.

F. Plan Commission Meeting Minutes - January 10, 2011

The Plan Commission Meeting Minutes of January 10, 2011 were presented to the City Council by Commissioner Karin Callis.

G. Community & Economic Development

The Community and Economic Development report was presented by Director Paul Ellis.

1. Ordinance Adding Chapter 12.33 (Special Events) to Title 12 (Streets, Sidewalks and Public Places) and Amending Chapter 18.85 (Bolm-Schuhkraft Park Pavilion Reservation) of Title 18 (Fees and Charges to be Assessed) of the Municipal Code of the City of Columbia, Illinois

2. Ordinance Amending Chapter 12.32 (City Parks) of Title 12 (Streets, Sidewalks, and Public Places) of the Municipal Code of the City of Columbia, Illinois

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to table the Special Events and City Parks Ordinances listed above and send them back to committee.

Moved by: Niemietz                      Second: Ebersohl                      Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried      6 To 0

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to extend the moratorium on all park reservations from February 1, 2011 to February 14, 2011.

Moved by: Niemietz                      Second: Agne                      Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried      6 To 0

H.      City Engineer

1.      Monthly Report

City Engineer Ron Williams presented his monthly report.

2.      Ordinance Entering into Agreement with Oates Associates for Right-of-Way Acquisition for Main Street Streetscape Project

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to pass and approve Ordinance No. 2835, An Ordinance to Employ Oates Associates, Inc. of Collinsville, Illinois to Render Professional Services to the City of Columbia, Illinois in Connection with Right of Way Negotiation Services for the Main Street Streetscape Project.

Moved by: Ebersohl                      Second: Roessler                      Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried      6 To 0

3.      Mr. Williams informed the Council on STP Project applications, the Milton Street Improvement Project, discussions with members of the Christ Community Church regarding a road slope and the private access road between McDonalds and Taco Bell.

I.      City Attorney

City Attorney Terry Bruckert had no report.

J.      Finance Department

1.      Vouchers to Be Paid

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to authorize the payment of vouchers received through January 13, 2011; the total amount of the vouchers to be paid is two hundred nineteen thousand, two hundred sixty-five dollars and thirty cents (\$219,265.30).

Moved by: Roessler                      Second: Niemietz                      Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried      6 to 0

2. Statement of Funds

Not Completed.

3. Accounting Specialist - New Hire

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the hiring of Ms. Michelle Brown for the Accounting Specialist position, contingent upon the successful completion of a pre-employment physical as well as state and federal background checks.

Moved by: Niemietz                      Second: Roessler                      Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried 6 to 0

K. Administration Department

1. Administrator's Report

The Administrator's Report was presented by City Administrator Al Hudzik.

2. An Ordinance Approving Consent Order (State of Illinois vs. City of Columbia re: municipal landfill closure)

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to pass and approve Ordinance No. 2836, An Ordinance to Authorize a Consent Judgment Order to be Taken and Entered by the Monroe County, Illinois Circuit Court, in and for the 20th Judicial Circuit of Illinois, in Waterloo, Illinois, in the Matter of the State of Illinois Vs. the City of Columbia, Illinois, Case No. 2005-CH-33.

Moved by: Ebersohl                      Second: Niemietz                      Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried 6 to 0

3. City Officers and Employees Salary Ordinance (FY 2010-2011)

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to pass and approve Ordinance No. 2837, An Ordinance to Establish the Salary/Remuneration of Full-Time Appointed City Officers and Employees of the City of Columbia, Illinois for the Fiscal Year of the City Commencing May 1, 2010 and Ending April 30, 2011.

Moved by: Niemietz                      Second: Roessler                      Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried 5 to 1

L. Mayor

1. Mayor's Annual Report

Mayor Hutchinson presented the Mayor's Annual Report of 2010 to the City Council.

Accept Department and Officers Reports

MOTION:

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

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

Motion Carried 6 to 0

**IV. OLD BUSINESS**

None.

**V. NEW BUSINESS**

Alderman Agne pointed out that requests may be forthcoming regarding variances to the entrance to the community.

**VI. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

A. Parks, Playgrounds and Recreation

1. Motion: Recommend to the City Council approval of (i) the park reservation and special event permit applications; and (ii) the ordinances pertaining to special events, fees and charges and amendments to park rules, as discussed in Committee.

Tabled for the Committee of the Whole Committee Meeting of Monday, January 24, 2011.

2. Regular Session Minutes - January 10, 2011

The Parks, Playgrounds and Recreation Committee Meeting minutes held Monday, January 10, 2011 were presented for approval.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Parks, Playgrounds and Recreation Committee meeting held Monday, January 10, 2011 as on file at City Hall.

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

Motion Carried 6 to 0

B. Finance, Claims, Bonds and Interest

1. Regular Session Minutes - January 10, 2011

The Regular Session Minutes of the Finance, Claims, Bonds and Interest Committee Meeting of Monday, January 10, 2011 were presented for approval.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Regular Session of the Finance, Claims, Bonds and Interest Committee meeting held Monday, January 10, 2011 as on file at City Hall.

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

Motion Carried 6 to 0

C. License, Insurance Claims, CEMA and Contracts

1. Regular Session Minutes - January 10, 2011

The Regular Session Minutes of the License, Insurance Claims, CEMA and Contracts Committee Meeting of Monday, January 10, 2011 were presented for approval.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Regular Session of the License, Insurance Claims, CEMA and Contract Committee meeting held Monday, January 10, 2011 as on file at City Hall.

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

Motion Carried 6 to 0

D. Committee of the Whole

1. Motion: Recommend to the City Council that city staff prepare the necessary documentation to allow for the adoption of the Community Assessment: Columbia, Illinois Final report (conducted by the Columbia Plan Commission with assistance from the Area Agency on Aging of Southwest Illinois) as presented to the Committee by members of the Plan Commission.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded that city staff prepare the necessary documentation to allow for the adoption of the Community Assessment: Columbia, Illinois Final report (conducted by the Columbia Plan Commission with assistance from the Area Agency on Aging of Southwest Illinois) as presented to the Committee by members of the Plan Commission.

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

Motion Carried 6 to 0

2. Regular Session Minutes - January 10, 2011

The Regular Session Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Committee Meeting of Monday, January 10, 2011 were presented for approval.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Regular Session of the Committee of the Whole Committee meeting held Monday, January 10, 2011 as on file at City Hall.

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

Motion Carried 6 to 0

**VII. CALL FOR COMMITTEE MEETINGS - JANUARY 24, 2011**

Streets, Sidewalks, Drainage and Public Utilities - 7:00 P.M.

Committee of the Whole - 7:15 P.M. (1) Park pavilion/field/court rental and special events fees and parks rules and special events ordinances review/discussion; and (2) HTC Communications Co. Cable Franchise application review/discussion

License, Insurance Claims, CEMA and Contracts - 7:30 P.M. IT Support Services RFP reviews/discussion

**VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None.


**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION:

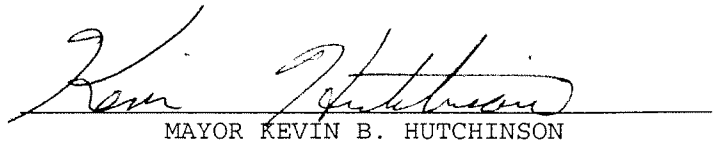
It was moved and seconded to adjourn the Regular City Council Meeting held Tuesday, January 18, 2011 at 7:55 PM.

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

Motion Carried 6 To 0



J. RONALD COLYER, CITY CLERK



MAYOR KEVIN B. HUTCHINSON