

**MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE
WHOLE MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA,
ILLINOIS HELD MONDAY, AUGUST 12, 2013 IN THE COUNCIL ROOM OF
CITY HALL**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Gene Ebersohl called the Executive Session of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of the City Council of the City of Columbia, Illinois to order at 8:27 p.m.

Upon Roll Call, the following members were:

Present: Chairman Ebersohl and Aldermen Niemietz, Roessler, Huch, Mathews, Reis and Holtkamp and Mayor Hutchinson.

Absent: Alderman Agne.

Quorum Present.

Administrative Staff Present: City Administrator Al Hudzik, City Engineer Ron Williams, City Attorney Terry Bruckert, Chief of Police & EMS Director Joe Edwards and Accounting/Clerical Assistant Sandra Garmer.

Guests Present: None.

II. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Ebersohl stated the Executive Session was called to (a) discuss lease renewal rate(s) on the cell tower lease to New Cingular Wireless; and (b) discuss and receive an update on the purchase of real property for the use by the city.

Discussion of Lease Renewal Rate(s) on Cell Tower Lease to New Cingular Wireless

Discussion/Update on the Purchase of Real Property for the use by the City

City Engineer Ron Williams reviewed a letter dated August 1st (Proposal # 624-1307-0008) from PSC Industrial Outsourcing, LP re: Proposal for Asbestos Consulting Services – Asbestos Survey of 116 West Sand Bank Road, Columbia, Illinois (which had previously been distributed to the Committee Members) – this letter pertained to asbestos/lead testing on the property located adjacent to the city’s DOPW offices (see July 22nd Committee Meeting Executive Session minutes). The letter described various asbestos/lead testing PSC proposed to conduct on the city’s behalf for a total price not to exceed \$2,588 (unless otherwise detailed in said letter). During Ron’s review/presentation, all in attendance were given the opportunity to make comments, ask questions and express their opinions, including (i) the testing described in the letter is needed so the city knows what costs may be incurred to deal with any asbestos/lead issues in determining the price it may be willing to offer to purchase said property; (ii) the letter reviewed is not an actual contract – it just describes what PSC proposes to do – an actual contract would have to be signed for the testing to be done; and (iii) prior to entering into such a contract, the city should get the approval of attorney Tom Adams to have the testing conducted. Williams is to request the contract document, have it reviewed and the proposed testing approved by attorney Tom Adams, and present it to the City Council for its consideration in the future.

III. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION:

It was moved by Alderman Niemietz and seconded by Alderman Huch to adjourn the Executive Session of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of Monday, August 12, 2013 at 8:53 p.m. Upon Roll Call vote, Chairman Ebersohl and Aldermen Niemietz, Roessler, Huch, Mathews, Reis and Holtkamp voted yea. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Gene Ebersohl

GENE EBERSOHL, Chairman
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Minutes Taken By:

Sandra Garner

SANDRA GARMER, Accounting/Clerical Assistant

Albert G. Hudzik

ALBERT G. HUDZIK, City Administrator