

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA, ILLINOIS
HELD MONDAY, MAY 4, 2015 INF THE COUNCIL ROOM OF CITY HALL**

I. Call To Order

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

*Ebersohl	Absent	Huch	Present
Agne	Present	Mathews	Absent
Niemietz	Present	Reis	Present
Roessler	Present	Holtkamp	Present

*Alderman Ebersohl arrived at 7:08 P.M.

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

Administrative Staff present:

City Clerk Wes Hoeffken	City Administrator James Morani
City Attorney Timothy Palen	Dir. Of Community and Economic Dev. Paul Ellis
Accounting Manager Linda Sharp	Interim EMS Chief Shannon Bound
Interim Director of Public Works Tim Ahrens	Plan Commissioner Virgil Mueller
Alderman Elect Kevin Martens	

II. Delegations and Citizens' Comments

A. Presentation of Regional Planning Awards

Mr. Julian Jacquin, with the St. Louis Section of the Missouri Chapter of the American Planning Association presented an award to Alderman Niemietz for Outstanding Service in Planning, and presented an award to the City of Columbia for its Main Street District Plan.

III. Read and Approve Minutes

A. Regular Meeting

The minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held Monday, April 20, 2015 were submitted for approval.

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Reis, and seconded by Alderman Huch, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held Monday, April 20, 2015 as on file at City Hall.

Motion Passed 6 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea	Holtkamp	Yea

B. Executive Session

The minutes of the Executive Session of the City Council held Monday, April 20, 2015 were submitted for approval.

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Niemietz, and seconded by Alderman Holtkamp, to approve the minutes of the Executive Session of the City Council held Monday, April 20, 2015 as on file at City Hall. Motion Passed 6 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea	Holtkamp	Yea

IV. **Report of Departments and Officers**

A. EMS

1. Employ Gabriel Caldwell as EMT-Basic (Part-Time)

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Huch, and seconded by Alderman Reis, to accept the recommendation of Interim EMS Chief Shannon Bound and employ Gabriel D. Caldwell as a part-time EMT-Basic contingent upon satisfying all pre-employment requirements. Motion Passed 6 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea	Holtkamp	Yea

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B. Community & Economic Development

The monthly report of the Community & Economic Development was presented by Director Paul Ellis.

1. SWT Design for Phase 1 Implementation of Admiral Trost Subdivision Park Master Plan

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Niemietz, and seconded by Alderman Reis, to approve the Scope of Work and Agreement with SWT Design to undertake Phase I Implementation of the Admiral Trost Development Park Master Plan. Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

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

2. Safe Routes to School Project: Bolm-Schuhkraft Park Connector

Mr. Ellis updated the Council on the Safe Routes to School Project with regards to the Bolm-Schuhkraft Connector.

C. Public Works

The monthly report of the Public Works Department was presented by Interim Director Tim Ahrens.

1. Ordinance No. 3181 - Naming Soccer Park Road

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Ebersohl, and seconded by Alderman Holtkamp, to pass and approve Ordinance No. 3181, an Ordinance naming "Soccer Park Road" within the Corporate Limits of the City of Columbia. Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

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

2. BLR 12330 - Acceptance of Proposal to Furnish Materials and Approval of Award for Pavement Striping

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Ebersohl, and seconded by Alderman Holtkamp, to approve the Acceptance of Proposal to Furnish Materials and Approval of Award for pavement striping and to authorize the Mayor to sign BLR12330 acknowledging the proposal. Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

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

3. Approve Purchase of New Sewer Grinder

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Holtkamp, and seconded by Alderman Roessler, to approve the purchase of a new Sewer Grinder from JWC Environmental for Palmer Creek Lift Station at a cost not to exceed twenty-nine thousand, five hundred fifty-five dollars and twenty cents (\$29,555.20). Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

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

D. Finance Department

1. Vouchers To Be Paid

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Roessler, and seconded by Alderman Ebersohl, to authorize the payment of vouchers received through April 30, 2015 in the amount of one hundred twenty-five thousand, four hundred fifty-two dollars, and twenty-three cents (\$125,452.23). Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

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

2. Statement of Funds

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Roessler, and seconded by Alderman Reis, to approve the Statement of Funds through March 31, 2015 as presented and on file at City Hall. Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Voice vote results:

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

3. Employment of Hannah T. Longust - Summer Intern

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Huch, and seconded by Alderman Holtkamp, to accept the recommendation of Accounting Manager Linda Sharp and approve the employment of Hannah T. Longust as a part-time summer intern contingent upon completing all pre-employment requirements. Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

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

E. City Attorney

The City Attorney had nothing to report.

F. City Administrator

The monthly report of the City Administrator was presented by James Morani.

1. MRCT as Health Insurance Broker/Consultant

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Holtkamp, and seconded by Alderman Reis, to accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and selection of MRCT as the City's health insurance broker/consultant. Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

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

2. Select Blue Cross Blue Shield Of Illinois Plan ID NPP72226

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Reis, and seconded by Alderman Huch, to accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and selection of BCBS of Illinois Plan ID NPP72226 as the City's health insurance plan, which has a \$500.00 deductible and \$1,000.00 out of pocket maximum (per individual). Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

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

3. Engagement Letter with Cunningham, Vogel & Rost - Telecommunication Tower Leases

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Roessler, and seconded by Alderman Ebersohl, to accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and approve the Engagement Letter with Cunningham, Vogel & Rost for legal services associated with the City's telecommunication tower leases. Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

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

G. Mayor

Mayor Hutchinson informed the Council that the recent meeting of the IML Board with Governor Rauner was favorable and added he would be including details in his Mayor's Report, which is still to be completed.

Approve Reports of Departments and Officers

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Agne, and seconded by Alderman Roessler, to approve the report of Departments and Officers as presented and on file at City Hall. Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Voice vote results:

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

V. Old Business

There was no Old Business brought before the Council.

VI. Report of Standing Committees

There were no Standing Committee reports brought before the Council.

VII. Adjourn - Sine Die

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Agne, and seconded by Alderman Ebersohl, to adjourn sine die the Regular City Council meeting held Monday, May 4, 2015 at 7:28 P.M. Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

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

VIII. Swearing in of Aldermen

Mayor Hutchinson swore in Alderman Reis (Ward 1), Alderman Martens (Ward 2), Alderman Huch (Ward 3), and Alderman Holtkamp (Ward 4).

IX. Call to Order

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Interim Director of Public Works Tim Ahrens	Plan Commissioner Virgil Mueller

X. New Business

There was no New Business brought before the Council.

XI. Call for Committee Meetings

Monday, May 11, 2015

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

7:10 P.M. - Committee of the Whole

7:20 P.M. - 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.

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Reis, and seconded by Alderman Roessler, to direct the Mayor to go into Executive Session at 7:36 P.M. to discuss collective bargaining. Motion Passed 8 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

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

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Martens, and seconded by Alderman Reis, to return to Regular Session of the City Council at 8:40 P.M. Motion Passed 8 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

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

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

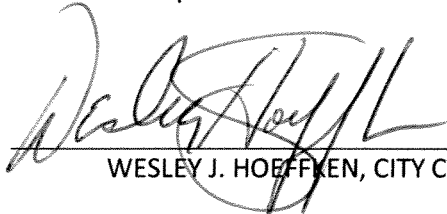
XIII. Adjournment

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Martens, and seconded by Alderman Holtkamp, to adjourn the Regular City Council meeting held Monday, May 4, 2015 at 8:41 P.M. Motion Passed 8 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

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


WESLEY J. HOEFFKEN, CITY CLERK


MAYOR KEVIN B. HUTCHINSON