

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA, ILLINOIS
HELD MONDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2015 IN 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, the following were:

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

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

Administrative Staff present:

City Clerk Wes Hoeffken	City Administrator James Morani
City Attorney J.D. Brandmeyer	Chief of Police and EMS Director Joe Edwards
City Engineer Chris Smith	Plan Commissioner Karin Callis
Dir. Of Community and Economic Dev. Paul Ellis	

II. Delegations and Citizens' Comments

A. Monroe County 4H Program - Tree Dedication

Mayor Hutchinson informed the Council the Monroe County 4H Program had planted a tree in Metter Park and presented the City with a certificate in honor of 4H week.

B. Steve Mueller - Water Operator of the Year

The Council recognized Steve Mueller as being the Water Operator of the Year by the Illinois Potable Water Supply Operator Association and the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency.

C. Mayor Pro Tem

Mayor Hutchinson informed the Council that he would have to leave the meeting early and requested the Council appoint a Mayor Pro Tem to conduct the remainder of the meeting upon his departure.

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Agne, and seconded by Alderman Huch, to appoint Alderman Ebersohl as Mayor Pro Tem to conduct the remainder of the Council meeting upon Mayor Hutchinson's departure. Motion Passed 8 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

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

III. Read and Approve Minutes

A. Regular Meeting

The minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held Monday, September 21, 2015 were submitted for approval.

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Huch, and seconded by Alderman Martens, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held Monday, September 21, 2015 as on file at City Hall. 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		

B. Executive Session

The minutes of the Executive Session of the City Council held Monday, September 21, 2015 were submitted for approval.

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Holtkamp, and seconded by Alderman Reis, to approve the minutes of the Executive Session of the City Council held Monday, September 21, 2015 as on file at City Hall. 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		

IV. Report of Departments and Officers

A. Plan Commission

The Plan Commission meeting minutes of Monday, September 28, 2015 were presented by Commissioner Karin Callis.

B. Building and Zoning

City Administrator James Morani mentioned to the Council the upcoming Zoning Board of Appeals Public Hearing to be held on Wednesday, October 21, 2015 at 7:30 P.M. in the City Hall Auditorium for the variance requests for Paraquad, Inc. at 609 Dana Drive. (Kevin and Shannon Crook)

C. Community and Economic Development

The monthly report of Community and Economic Development was presented by Mr. Paul Ellis.

1. Special Event Request - Who Dat's Shrimp Boil

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Agne, and seconded by Alderman Ebersohl, to approve the Special Event Permit Application for the Who Dat's Shrimp Boil scheduled to be held October 17, 2015, as submitted and on file at City Hall. Motion Passed 8 to 0.

Voice vote results:

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

2. Special Event Request - Halloween Hi Jinks

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Niemietz, and seconded by Alderman Huch, to approve the Special Event Permit Application for the Halloween Hi Jinks scheduled to be held October 24, 2015, as submitted and on file at City Hall. Motion Passed 8 to 0.

Voice vote results:

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

3. Ordinance No. 3205 - Lease Extension for 132 S. Rapp Avenue

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Holtkamp, and seconded by Alderman Martens, to approve Ordinance No. 3205, an ordinance to authorize a lease extension between the City of Columbia, Illinois and Scheffel Boyle, an Illinois Corporation, for the lease of improved real property located at 132 S. Rapp Avenue in the City of Columbia, Illinois. 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		

4. Ordinance No. 3206 - Lease Extension for Pavilion at American Legion Memorial Park

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Ebersohl, and seconded by Alderman Niemietz, to approve Ordinance No. 3206, an ordinance approving extension of a lease for a pavilion at American Legion Memorial Park by the City of Columbia, Illinois to American Legion Post 581. 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		

5. Ordinance No. 3207 - Lease Extension for Playground at American Legion Memorial Park

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Niemietz, and seconded by Alderman Ebersohl, to approve Ordinance No. 3207, an ordinance approving extension of a lease for a playground by the City of Columbia, Illinois from American Legion Post 581. 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		

D. Public Works

The monthly report of the Public Works Department was presented by Mr. Chris Smith.

E. Finance Department

1. Vouchers To Be Paid

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Roessler, and seconded by Alderman Huch, to authorize the payment of vouchers received through October 1, 2015 in the amount of two hundred forty-four thousand, four hundred seventy-nine dollars, and twelve cents (\$244,479.12). 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		

2. Statement of Funds

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Roessler, and seconded by Alderman Ebersohl, to approve the Statement of Funds through August 31, 2015 as presented and on file at City Hall. Motion Passed 8 to 0.

Voice vote results:

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

F. City Attorney

The City Attorney had nothing to report to the Council.

G. Administration

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

H. Mayor

The monthly report of the Mayor was presented by Mayor Hutchinson.

1. Ordinance Filling the Offices of Appointed City Officers for Fiscal Year 2015/2016

The ordinance filling the offices of Appointed City Officers was not available for action by the Council.

Approve Reports of Departments and Officers

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Agne, and seconded by Alderman Ebersohl, to approve the report of Departments and Officers as presented and on file at City Hall. Motion Passed 8 to 0.

Voice vote results:

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

Mayor Hutchinson left the meeting and Alderman Ebersohl assumed the role as Mayor Pro Tem at 7:20 P.M.

V. Old Business

There was no Old Business brought before the Council.

Alderman Niemietz requested a summary of the Illinois Municipal League (IML) sessions be presented as part of the next Committee Meetings. Mr. Morani stated he would add that to the agenda.

Alderman Huch left the meeting at 7:22 P.M.

VI. New Business

There was no New Business brought before the Council.

VII. Report of Standing Committees

There were no Standing Committee reports.

VIII. Call for Committee Meetings

Monday, October 12, 2015

7:00 P.M. - Committee of the Whole

IX. Executive Session

Mayor Pro Tem Ebersohl informed the Council that he would entertain a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel, collective bargaining and litigation as permitted under 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), (2), and (11).

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Reis, and seconded by Alderman Roessler, to direct Mayor Pro Tem Ebersohl to go into Executive Session at 7:25 P.M. to discuss personnel, collective bargaining and litigation as permitted under 5ILCS 120/2(c)(1), (2), and (11). Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

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

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Roessler, and seconded by Alderman Reis, to return to Regular Session of the City Council at 8:11 P.M. Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

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

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


X. Adjournment

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Niemietz, and seconded by Alderman Reis, to adjourn the Regular City Council meeting held Monday, October 5, 2015 at 8:11 P.M. Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

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


WESLEY J. HOEFFKEN, CITY CLERK


MAYOR KEVIN B. HUTCHINSON


MAYOR PRO TEM GENE EBERSOHL