

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA, ILLINOIS
HELD MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2016 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	Absent	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 Jerry Paul
Accounting Manager Linda Sharp	Deputy Chief of Police Jason Donjon
Director Of Community Development Emily Fultz	
Community Relations and Tourism Coordinator Susan Spargo	

Special Guest: Sheriff Neal Rohlfing

II. Delegations and Citizens' Comments

A. Columbia Masonic Lodge #474 Proclamation

Mayor Hutchinson read a proclamation recognizing Columbia Masonic Lodge #474 sesquicentennial celebration and years of outstanding community service.

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Huch, and seconded by Alderman Holtkamp, to approve the Columbia Masonic Lodge #474 Proclamation. Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

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

B. Mary Schoellhorn – Presentation of Art Work

Mrs. Mary Schoellhorn presented a drawing to the City in celebration of the County's bicentennial celebration.

C. Monroe County Sheriff's Department Update – Sheriff Neal Rohlfing

Sheriff Neal Rohlfing presented a summary of activities within the County.

- Established patrol zones to increase patrol activity.
- Initiated an Emergency Identification Form to record owner information for property located in the rural areas of the County that are not occupied by the owner(s).
- Participation in the Illinois Attorney General Internet Task Force.
- Established a Courthouse Security Committee.
- Participates in Offender Watch to monitor registered sex offenders.
- Established a Crime Tip Hot Line (618-939-TIPS).
- Initiated Aggressive Intruder Training for residents.
- Participation in the DEA Task Force.
- Updated policies and procedures.
- All patrol cars are equipped with trauma bags and AED's.
- Active 911 application on all cell phones.
- Live Scan for fingerprinting.

III. Read and Approve Minutes

A. Regular Meeting

The minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held Tuesday, September 6, 2016 were submitted for approval.

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Niemietz, and seconded by Alderman Holtkamp, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held Tuesday, September 6, 2016 as on file at City Hall. Motion Passed 7 to 0

Roll Call vote results:

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

Alderman Huch abstained as he was not present for the September 6 Council Meeting.

IV. Report of Departments and Officers

A. Police and Communications

The reports of the Police and Communications Departments were presented to the Council.

1. Oath of New Police Officer – Stephanie Osborne

New Police Office Stephanie Osborne was sworn in by Mayor Hutchinson.

B. Emergency Medical Services

The report of the Emergency Medical Services was presented to the Council.

C. Community Development

The report of Community Development was presented to the Council.

1. Ordinance No. 3282 – Preliminary Subdivision Plat for Joy View Acres Phase IV Subdivision

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Agne, and seconded by Alderman Ebersohl, to approve Ordinance No. 3282, an ordinance for conditional approval of the Preliminary Subdivision Plat for the Joy View Acres Phase IV Subdivision in the City of Columbia, Illinois. Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

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

2. Songs4Soldiers

Mr. Dustin Row provided an update on the 2016 event and the clean-up efforts. Mr. Row then presented the Songs4Soldiers proposal for 2017, which will be held over two nights, September 22 and 23, 2017. Mr. Row explained next year’s event would be the same weekend as FestiFall. Mr. Row then explained he has to work around the Columbia High School football schedule which results in either the third week or fourth week of September as the open weekend for a 2-day event. Mrs. Susan Spargo stated the FestiFall schedule would subsequently be changed to rotate between the last Sunday of September and the first Sunday of October so as not to conflict with the Songs4Soldiers event.

D. City Engineer/Public Works

The report of the City Engineer was presented to the Council.

E. Finance

1. Vouchers To Be Paid

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Huch, and seconded by Alderman Martens, to authorize the payment of vouchers received through September 15, 2016 in the amount of two hundred ten thousand, four hundred sixty-nine dollars, and forty-five cents (\$210,469.45). Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

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

2. Ordinance No. 3283 – Establish Non-Resident Fees for Columbia EMS

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Huch, and seconded by Alderman Reis, to approve Ordinance No. 3283, an ordinance amending Section 18.82 of the City of Columbia, Illinois Municipal Code to establish non-resident fees for the Columbia Emergency Medical Services. Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

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

F. City Attorney

The City Attorney had nothing to report.

G. Administrator

The report of the Administrator was presented to the Council.

H. Mayor

The report of the Mayor was presented to the Council.

Approve Reports of Departments and Officers

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Martens, and seconded by Alderman Ebersohl, 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
Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea	Holtkamp	Yea
Martens	Yea				

V. Old Business

There was no Old Business brought before the Council.

VI. New Business

A. Monroe County Welcome Center

Mr. Morani informed the Council the City has not yet received funding for the Monroe County Welcome Center due from the City of Waterloo.

VII. Report of Standing Committees

There were no Reports of Standing Committees.

VIII. Call for Committee Meetings

Monday, September 26, 2016

There was no Call for Committee Meetings.

IX. Executive Session - 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1) and (2)

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

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Huch, and seconded by Alderman Reis, to direct the Mayor to go into Executive Session at 7:53 P.M. to discuss personnel and collective bargaining as permitted under 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1) and (2). Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

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

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Reis, and seconded by Alderman Huch, to return to Regular Session of the City Council at 8:01 P.M. Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

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

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

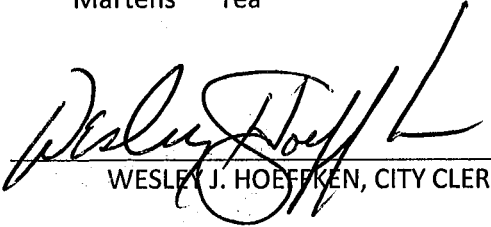
X. **Adjournment**

Motion:

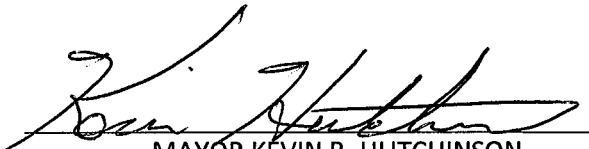
It was moved by Alderman Agne, and seconded by Alderman Ebersohl, to adjourn the Regular City Council meeting held Monday, September 19, 2016 at 8:02 P.M. Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Voice vote results:

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



WESLEY J. HOEFFKEN, CITY CLERK



MAYOR KEVIN B. HUTCHINSON