

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA, ILLINOIS  
HELD MONDAY, AUGUST 21, 2017 IN THE COUNCIL ROOM OF CITY HALL**

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**I. Call To Order**

Mayor Hutchinson and Mayor for the Day Lily Misra 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 Terry Bruckert	Chief of Police and Director of EMS Jerry Paul
City Engineer Chris Smith	Plan Commission Chairman Bill Seibel
Deputy Chief of Police Jason Donjon	Dir. of Community Dev. Emily Fultz
Assistant Librarian Director Crystal Snyder	

**II. Delegations and Citizens' Comments**

**A. Constitution Proclamation**

Mayor Hutchinson and Mayor for the Day Lily Misra read a proclamation declaring September 17, 2017 – September 23, 2017 as Constitution Week.

**B. Songs4Soldiers**

Mr. Dustin Row addressed the Council regarding the Songs4Soldiers event scheduled for September 22 – 23, 2017.

**C. Mayor for the Day – Lily Misra**

Mayor Hutchinson recognized Mayor For A Day Lily Misra.

**III. Read and Approve Minutes**

**A. Regular Meeting**

The minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held Monday, August 7, 2017 were submitted for approval.

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Martens, and seconded by Alderman Huch, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held Monday, August 7, 2017 as on file at City Hall.

Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

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

B. Executive Session

The minutes of the Executive Session of the City Council held Monday, August 7, 2017 were submitted for approval.

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Martens, and seconded by Alderman Reis, to approve the minutes of the Executive Session of the City Council held Monday, August 7, 2017 as on file at City Hall.

Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

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

**IV. Report of Departments and Officers**

A. Library

The report of the Library was presented to the Council.

B. Police and Communications

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

C. Emergency Medical Services

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

D. Community Development

The report of Community Development was presented to the Council.

1. Acceptance of Whiteside Station Monument Marker

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Huch, and seconded by Alderman Ebersohl, to accept the Gift Proposal from the Whiteside Station Chapter, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, to place a Monument Marker in front of the historical Shoemaker Schoolhouse. Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Voice vote results:

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

2. Plan Commission Report - Chairman Bill Seibel

Mr. Bill Seibel presented the Plan Commission report to the Council and provided future plans and activities.

3. Special Event – Bernhard Auto Works/Kiwanis Club Car Show

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Agne, and seconded by Alderman Ebersohl, to approve the Special Event Permit Application for the Bernhard Auto Works/Kiwanis Club Car Show, as submitted and on file at City Hall. Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

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

4. Donation Drive – Knights of Columbus

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Reis, and seconded by Alderman Holtkamp, to approve the request of the Knights of Columbus George R. Kutterer Council 6165 to hold their annual donation drive that helps those with intellectual disabilities, more commonly known as the Tootsie Roll Drive, scheduled to held the weekend of September 15 and 16, 2017. Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

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

E. City Engineer

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

F. Finance

1. Vouchers To Be Paid

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Martens, and seconded by Alderman Reis, to authorize the payment of vouchers received through August 17, 2017 in the amount of two hundred twenty-eight thousand, nine hundred twenty-six dollars and seventy-five cents. (\$228,926.75). Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

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

G. City Attorney

The City Attorney presented his report to the Council.

H. City Administrator

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

1. Resolution No. 2017-10 – Elected Officials Participation in IMRF

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Martens, and seconded by Alderman Niemietz, to approve Resolution No. 2017-10, a resolution relating to participation by Elected Officials in the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund. Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

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

2. Ordinance No. 3340 – Electric Franchise Agreement with Ameren Illinois Company d/b/a Ameren Illinois

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Ebersohl, and seconded by Alderman Holtkamp, to approve Ordinance No. 3340, an ordinance amending the terms of an Electric Franchise Agreement with Ameren Illinois Company d/b/a Ameren Illinois. Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

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

3. Ordinance No. 3341 – Amend General Duties of the City Administrator

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Niemietz, and seconded by Alderman Ebersohl, to approve Ordinance No. 3341, an ordinance amending Chapter 2.17.040 of the City of Columbia Municipal Code addressing the General Duties of the City Administrator. Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

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

4. Bremser Road Telecommunications Tower Lease

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Holtkamp, and seconded by Alderman Niemietz, to terminate the Bremser Road Lease dated July 5, 1994, for lessee's failure to remedy breach of lease as identified in the violation notice to lessee, and authorize the City Administrator and Special Legal Counsel to communicate such immediate termination, and authorize continued temporary occupancy on a month to month basis under existing lease terms up to December 31, 2017, to allow for any negotiation for resolution and new lease with the City or removal of lessee's occupancy. Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

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

I. Mayor

The report of the Mayor was presented to 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 7 to 0.

Voice vote results:

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

V. Old Business

There was no Old Business brought before the Council.

VI. New Business

1. Mayor Pro Tem – August 27 – September 3, 2017

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Martens, and seconded by Alderman Agne, to appoint Alderman Ebersohl as Mayor Pro Tem from August 27 - September 3, 2017. Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Voice vote results:

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

VII. Report of Standing Committees

There were no Reports of Standing Committees.

VIII. Call for Committee Meetings

**Monday, August 28, 2017**

Committee of the Whole

Executive and Rules

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

Mayor Hutchinson inquired if there was any business to be addressed in Executive Session. There was none.

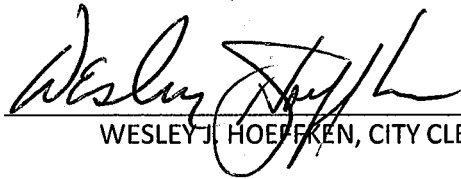
**X. Adjournment**

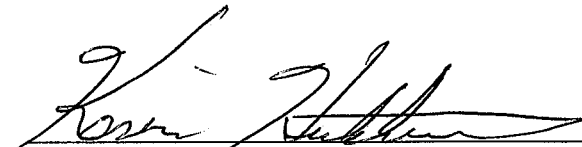
**Motion:**

It was moved by Alderman Agne, and seconded by Alderman Reis, to adjourn the Regular City Council meeting held Monday, August 21, 2017 at 7:47 P.M. Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

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

  
WESLEY J. HOEFFKEN, CITY CLERK

  
MAYOR KEVIN B. HUTCHINSON