

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA, ILLINOIS  
HELD MONDAY, JULY 20, 2015 IN THE COUNCIL ROOM OF CITY HALL**

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**I. Call To Order**

Mayor for the Day Drew Schmoll called the City Council of Columbia, Illinois to order at 7:00 P.M. Upon roll call vote, 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 Terry Bruckert	Chief of Police and EMS Director Joe Edwards
Building Inspector Justin Osterhage	Dir. Of Community and Economic Dev. Paul Ellis
Interim Director of Public Works Tim Ahrens	Plan Commissioner Amy Mistler
Head Librarian Britta Krabill	

**II. Delegations and Citizens' Comments**

**A. Mayor for the Day - Drew Schmoll**

Mayor Hutchinson read a proclamation declaring Drew Schmoll as Mayor for the Day.

**III. Read and Approve Minutes**

**A. Regular Meeting**

The minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held Monday, July 6, 2015 were submitted for approval.

Motion:

- It was moved by Alderman Reis, and seconded by Alderman Holtkamp, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held Monday, July 6, 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	Abstain	Reis	Yea
Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea		

Alderman Hutch abstained because he was not present for the July 6, 2015 meeting.

B. Executive Session

The minutes of the Executive Session of the City Council held Monday, July 6, 2015 were submitted for approval.

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Ebersohl, and seconded by Alderman Niemietz, to approve the minutes of the Executive Session of the City Council held Monday, July 6, 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	Abstain	Reis	Yea
Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea		

Alderman Hutch abstained because he was not present for the July 6, 2015 meeting.

**IV. Report of Departments and Officers**

A. Library

The monthly report of the Library, including the Board Meeting minutes of June 9, 2015, was presented to the Council by Head Librarian Britta Krabill.

1. Employ Stephanie Duvall - Part-Time Shelver/Circulation Clerk

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Hutch, and seconded by Alderman Reis, to accept the recommendation of Britta Krabill and employ Stephanie Duvall as a part-time Shelver/Circulation Clerk, contingent upon completion of all pre-employment requirements. 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. Police & Communications

The monthly reports of the Police and Communications Departments were presented to the Council by Chief Edwards.

C. EMS

The monthly report of the EMS Department was presented to the Council by Chief Edwards.

D. Plan Commission

The Plan Commission Meeting minutes of Monday, July 13, 2015 were presented to the Council by Commissioner Amy Mistler.

E. Building and Zoning

The monthly report of the Building and Zoning Department was presented by Building Inspector Justin Osterhage.

1. Ordinance No. 3191 - Zoning Code Variance – 301 S. Main St.

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Holtkamp, and seconded by Alderman Agne, to approve Ordinance No. 3191, an ordinance to grant a Zoning Code Variance to Matt Hesterberg for the property located at 301 South Main Street in the City of Columbia, Illinois to allow greater than fifty-five (55) percent of lot coverage in a C-2 (General Business) Zoning District. Motion Passed 9 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

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

2. Ordinance No. 3192 - Special Use Permit – 310 S. Rapp Ave.

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Agne, and seconded by Alderman Martens, to approve Ordinance No. 3192, an ordinance to grant a Special Use Permit for real estate having the assigned address of 310 South Rapp Avenue, in the City of Columbia, Illinois for JAG, Inc. to allow a four unit multiple family dwelling in a C-2 (General Business) Zoned District 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		

3. Building Materials Variance

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Agne, and seconded by Alderman Huch, to accept the recommendation of the Architectural Review Board and approve the Building Materials Variance to use vertical steel siding on a new storage unit as requested by Guardian Self Storage (Robert J. Schueler). 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. Refer Text Amendment to Chapter 17.40.010 of Zoning Code

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Ebersohl, and seconded by Alderman Reis, to refer the proposed text amendment to Chapter 17.40.010 of the Zoning Code to the Plan Commission and the Zoning Board of Appeals for their review and subsequent recommendations. 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. Community and Economic Development

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

1. Employ Sue Spargo as Community Relations and Tourism Coordinator

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Hutch, and seconded by Alderman Martens, to accept the recommendation of the Director of Community and Economic Development and employ Sue Spargo as the Community Relations and Tourism Coordinator, contingent upon completion of all pre-employment requirements. 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. Special Event Permit - Who Dat's Shrimp Boil

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Agne, and seconded by Alderman Niemietz, to approve the Special Event Permit application for Who Dat's Shrimp Boil scheduled to be held July 25, 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. Special Event Permit - Columbia Days Festival and Parade

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Roessler, and seconded by Alderman Martens, to approve the Special Event Permit application for Columbia Days Festival and Parade scheduled to be held August 14 and 15, 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		

4. Special Event Permit - Christian Music Festival

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Holtkamp, and seconded by Alderman Niemietz, to approve the Special Event Permit application for the Christian Music Festival scheduled to be held October 4, 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		

G. Public Works

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

1. Acceptance of Motor Fuel Tax Bids

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Ebersohl, and seconded by Alderman Roessler, to accept the recommendation of the Interim Director of Public Works and accept the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) Proposal to Furnish Materials and Approval of Awards to Beelmann Logistics, LLC, Concrete Supply of Illinois, JTC Petroleum Co., Don Anderson Co., Maclair Asphalt Sales, LLC, and Wolfmeier Truck Services as submitted and 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		

2. Advertise for Laborer A Position in Street Department

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Huch, and seconded by Alderman Roessler, to direct the Interim Director of Public Works to advertise for the Laborer A Position for the Street Department.

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		

H. Finance

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 July 16, 2015 in the amount of two hundred forty-two thousand, six hundred one dollars, and twenty-five cents (\$242,601.25). 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		

I. City Attorney

1. Noise Ordinance

Mr. Bruckert informed the Council that he and the City Administrator have completed a proposed change to the City's Noise Ordinance and will be presenting it at the next meeting of the Committee of the Whole.

J. Administration

The Administration Department report was presented by City Administrator James Morani.

1. Ordinance No. 3193 - Amend Parking in Bolm-Schuhkraft Park

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Niemietz, and seconded by Alderman Ebersohl, to approve Ordinance No. 3193, an ordinance amending Section 12.32.040 of the City of Columbia Municipal Code regarding parking in Bolm-Schuhkraft Park. 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		

K. Mayor

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

Approve Reports of Departments and Officers

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Agne, and seconded by Alderman Holtkamp, 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		

V. Old Business

A. Electronic Recycling Program

Mr. Morani informed the Council that people continue to drop off CRT monitors and tube televisions at the Public Works complex even though the signs have been posted indicating the City no longer accepts these items. Mr. Morani added that the property is under surveillance and the police are reviewing the situation. There were also several appliances left at the complex after hours that have not yet been removed by RNA Worldwide Recycling. Mayor Hutchinson suggested the City Administrator contact Scout Troop 320 who has a fundraising recycling program for large appliances.

VI. New Business

There was no New Business brought before the Council.

VII. Report of Standing Committees

There was no Report of Standing Committees.

VIII. Call for Committee Meetings

**Monday, July 27, 2015**

7:00 P.M. - Municipal Buildings, Property, and Capital Improvements

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

## **IX. Executive Session**

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

### **Motion:**

It was moved by Alderman Reis, and seconded by Alderman Huch, to direct the Mayor to go into Executive Session at 7:30 P.M. to discuss collective bargaining and potential litigation as permitted by 5 ILCS 120/2(c). 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 Ebersohl, and seconded by Alderman Holtkamp, to return to Regular Session of the City Council at 7:37 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.

## **X. Adjournment**

### **Motion:**

It was moved by Alderman Agne, and seconded by Alderman Martens, to adjourn the Regular City Council meeting held Monday, July 20, 2015 at 7:37 P.M. Motion Passed 8 to 0.

### Roll Call vote results:

Ebersohl Yea Agne Yea  
Roessler Yea Huch Yea  
Holtkamp Yea Martens Yea

Niemietz Yea  
Reis Yea

WESLEY J. HOEFFKEN, CITY CLERK

**MAYOR KEVIN B. HUTCHINSON**