

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA, ILLINOIS
HELD MONDAY, AUGUST 3, 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	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	Building Inspector Justin Osterhage
Dir. Of Community and Economic Dev. Paul Ellis	Accounting Manager Linda Sharp
Interim Director of Public Works Tim Ahrens	Plan Commissioner Gene Bergmann

II. Delegations and Citizens' Comments

There were no delegations present.

III. Read and Approve Minutes

A. Regular Meeting

The minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held Monday, July 20, 2015 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, July 20, 2015 as on file at City Hall.

Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

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

B. Executive Session

The minutes of the Executive Session of the City Council held Monday, July 20, 2015 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, July 20, 2015 as on file at City Hall.

Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Ebersohl	Yea	Agne	Yea	Niemietz	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, July 27, 2015 were presented by Commissioner Gene Bergmann.

B. Building and Zoning

1. Ordinance No. 3194 - Amend Municipal Code for Building Permit Requirements

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Agne, and seconded by Alderman Ebersohl, to approve Ordinance No. 3194, an ordinance amending Section 15.04.020 of the City of Columbia Municipal Code regarding Building Permit requirements. Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

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

C. Community and Economic Development

1. Ordinance No. 3195 - Lease Agreement with John E. White DDS and Stephen J. Raney DMD

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Holtkamp, and seconded by Alderman Agne, to approve Ordinance No. 3195, an ordinance to authorize a Lease Agreement between the City of Columbia, Illinois and John E. White DDS and Stephen J. Raney DMD, PC, an Illinois corporation, for the lease of improved real property located at 130 South Rapp Avenue 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. Ordinance No. 3196 - Declare Sand Bank School an Illinois Historic Site Landmark

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Agne, and seconded by Alderman Niemietz, to approve Ordinance No. 3196, an ordinance to declare Sand Bank School at 11832 Bluff Road, in the City of Columbia, Illinois to be a City of Columbia, Illinois Historic Site Landmark. Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

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

3. Senior Nutrition Center

Mr. Ellis explained that Western Egyptian closed its doors this past Friday as a result of state budget cuts, but there has been an outpouring of response from individual citizens and churches to allow volunteers to prepare meals. Mr. Ellis also mentioned the House of Neighborly Service has been instrumental in organizing volunteer efforts to continue providing meals to seniors. Mr. Ellis also explained that seniors who have meals delivered to their homes received five extra meals this past Friday and plans are underway to provide more meals before the end of the week.

D. Public Works

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

1. Authorize Purchase of MFWD Tractor and Rotary Mower

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Holtkamp, and seconded by Alderman Ebersohl, to accept the recommendation of the Interim Director of Public Works and authorize the purchase of a Mechanical Front Wheel Drive (MFWD) Tractor and Rotary Mower and four (4) counter weights from Hartmann Farm Supply, Inc. for the total cost of \$33,016.00. Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

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

E. Finance

1. Vouchers To Be Paid

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Huch, and seconded by Alderman Holtkamp, to authorize the payment of vouchers received through July 30, 2015 in the amount of one hundred ninety-eight thousand, four hundred twenty-seven dollars and eighty-five cents (\$198,427.85). Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

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

2. Statement of Funds

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Huch, and seconded by Alderman Holtkamp, to approve the Statement of Funds through June 30, 2015 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		

3. Engagement Letter - Schmersahl Treloar & Co.

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Niemietz, and seconded by Alderman Hutch, to accept the recommendation of Accounting Manager Linda Sharp and approve the Engagement Letter for Schmersahl Treloar & Co. for auditing services for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2015 at a cost not to exceed \$19,000.00 plus out of pocket costs. 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. Administration

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

1. Ordinance No. 3197 - Amend Municipal Code for Noise Nuisances

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Agne, and seconded by Alderman Martens, to approve Ordinance No. 3197, an ordinance amending Chapter 9.24 of the City of Columbia Illinois Municipal Code addressing Noise Nuisances. 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. 3198 - Amend Municipal Code for Unlawful Discrimination and Harassment

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Hutch, and seconded by Alderman Holtkamp, to approve Ordinance No. 3198, an ordinance amending the City of Columbia Illinois Municipal Code regarding Unlawful Discrimination and Harassment. Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

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

3. Ordinance No. 3199 – Adding Section 2.68.045 Drug Free Workplace to Municipal Code

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Niemietz, and seconded by Alderman Huch, to approve Ordinance No. 3199, an ordinance adding Section 2.68.045 to the City of Columbia, Illinois Municipal Code regarding Drug Free Workplace. Motion Passed 7 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

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

H. 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 Martens, 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

There was no New Business brought before the Council.

VII. Report of Standing Committees

There were no Standing Committees reports.

VIII. Call for Committee Meetings

Monday, August 10, 2015

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

7:10 P.M. - Municipal Buildings, Property and Capital Improvements

7:20 P.M. - Parks, Playgrounds and Recreation

7:30 P.M. - Ambulance, Radio Communication and Dispatch

IX. Executive Session

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

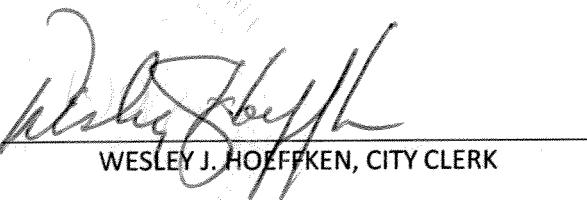
X. Adjournment

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Niemietz, and seconded by Alderman Agne, to adjourn the Regular City Council meeting held Monday, August 3, 2015 at 7:25 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		


WESLEY J. HOFFKEN, CITY CLERK


MAYOR KEVIN B. HUTCHINSON