

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA, ILLINOIS  
HELD MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2016 IN THE COUNCIL ROOM OF CITY HALL**

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**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:

|          |         |          |         |
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| 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 Attorney Terry Bruckert  
City Engineer Chris Smith  
Interim EMS Chief Shannon Bound

City Administrator James Morani  
Building Inspector Justin Osterhage  
Accounting Manager Linda Sharp  
Plan Commissioner Tony Murphy

**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 Tuesday, January 19, 2016 were submitted for approval.

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**Motion:**

It was moved by Alderman Niemietz, and seconded by Alderman Roessler, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held Tuesday, January 19, 2016 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. EMS**

###### **1. Mutual Aid Agreement - Dupo Ambulance Service**

###### **Motion:**

It was moved by Alderman Reis, and seconded by Alderman Martens, to approve the Mutual Aid Agreement between the City of Columbia Ambulance Service and the Dupo Ambulance Service. 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. Mutual Aid Agreement - Millstadt Ambulance**

###### **Motion:**

It was moved by Alderman Reis, and seconded by Alderman Martens, to approve the Mutual Aid Agreement between the City of Columbia Ambulance Service and the Millstadt Ambulance. 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. Mutual Aid Agreement - Monroe County Ambulance Service**

###### **Motion:**

It was moved by Alderman Reis, and seconded by Alderman Martens, to approve the Mutual Aid Agreement between the City of Columbia Ambulance Service and the Monroe County Ambulance Service. 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. Plan Commission

The Plan Commission meeting minutes of Monday, January 25, 2016 were presented to the Council.

C. Building and Zoning

1. Ordinance No. 3239 - Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church Sign Variance

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Niemietz, and seconded by Alderman Reis, to approve Ordinance No. 3239, an ordinance to grant a Sign Variance to Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church for the property commonly known as 600 Columbia Centre located in the City of Columbia, Illinois to exceed the total allotment of sign area permitted on one street front in a Commercially Zoned District in the City. 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. Ordinance No. 3240 - Life Community Church Sign Variance

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Reis, and seconded by Alderman Ebersohl, to approve Ordinance No. 3240, an ordinance to grant a Sign Variance to Life Community Church for the property commonly known as 626 West Bottom Avenue located in the City of Columbia, Illinois to exceed the total allotment of sign area in a Residential Zoned District in the City. Motion Failed 8 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

|          |     |         |     |          |     |
|----------|-----|---------|-----|----------|-----|
| Ebersohl | Nay | Agne    | Nay | Niemietz | Nay |
| Roessler | Nay | Huch    | Nay | Reis     | Nay |
| Holtkamp | Nay | Martens | Nay |          |     |

D. Community and Economic Development

The monthly report of Community and Economic Development was presented to the Council.

1. Ordinance Amending Equity Trust Company Custodian Agreement  
This ordinance was removed from the agenda.

**E. City Engineer/Public Works**

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

**1. Resolution No. 17-2015 - North Main Street Resurface Project Phase 2**

**Motion:**

It was moved by Alderman Ebersohl, and seconded by Alderman Martens, to approve Resolution No. 17-2015, a resolution appropriating funding to the North Main Street Resurfacing Project Phase 2. 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. Ordinance No. 3241 - IDOT Agreement for North Main Street Resurface Project Phase 2**

**Motion:**

It was moved by Alderman Ebersohl, and seconded by Alderman Holtkamp, to approve Ordinance No. 3241, an ordinance to authorize a joint agreement between the Illinois Department of Transportation and the City of Columbia, Illinois with regard to the N. Main Street HMA Resurfacing Project Phase 2 with ADA ramp improvements from E. Crestview Drive to IL Route 3 improvements 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 |          |     |

**F. 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 January 28, 2016 in the amount of three hundred three thousand, eight hundred sixty-eight dollars and fifty-four cents (\$303,868.54). 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 |          |     |

G. City Attorney

The City Attorney had nothing to report to the Council.

H. Administration

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

1. Ordinance No. 3242 - Mailing of Notice for Discontinuance of Water Service

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Niemietz, and seconded by Alderman Holtkamp, to approve Ordinance No. 3242, an ordinance amending Section 13.12.020 of the City of Columbia Municipal Code regarding mailing of notices for discontinuance of water service via First-Class mail. 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. 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 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 |          |     |

**V. Old Business**

There was no Old Business brought before the Council.

**VI. New Business**

Alderman Agne informed the Council that after discussions with the manager for Regions Bank, he will be reviewing the possibility of reducing the parking requirements for financial institutions by as much as 10% and will be reporting back to the Council.

**VII. Report of Standing Committees**

There were no Standing Committee reports.

**VIII. Call for Committee Meetings**

Monday, February 8, 2016

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

**IX. Executive Session**

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

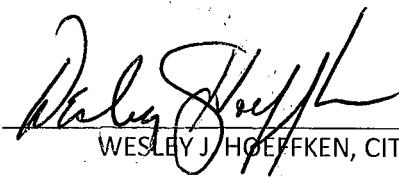
**X. Adjournment**

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Agne, and seconded by Alderman Martens, to adjourn the Regular City Council meeting held Monday, February 1, 2016 at 7:22 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 |          |     |



WESLEY J. HOEPFKEN, CITY CLERK



MAYOR KEVIN B. HUTCHINSON