

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA,
ILLINOIS HELD MONDAY, AUGUST 21, 2006 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 PM.

Upon Roll Call, the following members were:

Present: Aldermen Conrad, Ebersohl, Agne, Niemietz, Unnerstall, Row, and Huch.

Absent: Alderman Koesterer.

Quorum Present.

Administrative Staff Present: City Clerk Wes Hoeffken, City Attorney Tom Adams, City Administrator Anthony Traxler, Chief of Police Joe Edwards, Acting Consulting Engineer Larry Kremmel, and Director of Community and Economic Development Mike Hemmer.

The Council recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held Monday, August 7, 2006 were submitted for approval.

Corrections were forwarded to Mr. Hoeffken.

MOTION:

It was moved by Alderman Unnerstall, and seconded by Alderman Ebersohl, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held Monday, August 7, 2006, as amended and on file at City Hall. Upon Roll Call vote, Aldermen Conrad, Ebersohl, Agne, Niemietz, Unnerstall, Row, and Huch voted yea. Motion Carried.

III. DELEGATIONS

1. Columbia Heritage and Preservation Commission
Myrna Schild, the newest member of the Columbia Heritage and Preservation Commission was introduced to the Council.

IV. REPORT OF OFFICERS

- A. Police Department
The report of the Chief of Police was presented to the Council.

MOTION:

It was moved by Alderman Niemietz, and seconded by Alderman Ebersohl, to accept the report of the Chief of Police as presented. Upon Voice vote, all Aldermen present voted yea. Motion Carried.

- B. Ambulance Director
The monthly report of the Director of the Columbia Emergency Medical Service was presented to the Council.

MOTION:

It was moved by Alderman Niemietz, and seconded by Alderman Unnerstall, to accept the report of the Ambulance Director as presented. Upon Voice vote, all Aldermen present voted yea. Motion Carried.

- C. Plan Commission
The report of the Plan Commission was presented to the Council.

MOTION:

It was moved by Alderman Agne, and seconded by Alderman Row, to accept the report of the Plan Commission as presented. Upon Voice vote, all Aldermen present voted yea. Motion Carried.

D. Administration Department

1. Ordinance No. 2490 – Board and Commission Appointments

MOTION:

It was moved by Alderman Conrad, and seconded by Alderman Ebersohl, to pass Ordinance No. 2490, an ordinance amending Ordinance No. 2461 which provided for the appointment of members of certain Boards and Commissions of the City of Columbia, Illinois for the fiscal year of the City commencing May 1, 2006 and ending April 30, 2007. Upon Roll Call vote, Aldermen Conrad, Ebersohl, Agne, Niemietz, Unnerstall, Row, Huch, and Mayor Hutchinson voted yea. Motion Carried.

2. Ordinance No. 2491 – Stop Intersections

MOTION:

It was moved by Alderman Ebersohl, and seconded by Alderman Conrad, to pass Ordinance No. 2491, an ordinance amending Section 10.52.020 (Schedule "B") of Chapter 10.52 (Traffic Schedules) of Title 10 (Vehicles and Traffic) of the Municipal Code of the City governing Stop Intersections in the City of Columbia, Illinois. Upon Roll Call vote, Aldermen Conrad, Ebersohl, Agne, Niemietz, Unnerstall, Row, Huch, and Mayor Hutchinson voted yea. Motion Carried.

MOTION:

It was moved by Alderman Conrad, and seconded by Alderman Ebersohl, to accept the report of the Administration Department as presented. Upon Voice vote, all Aldermen present voted yea. Motion Carried.

E. City Attorney

1. Ordinance No. 2492 – Horner & Shifrin Professional Services Contract

MOTION:

It was moved by Alderman Unnerstall, and seconded by Alderman Ebersohl, to pass Ordinance No. 2492, an ordinance authorizing a Professional Services Contract to employ Horner and Shifrin, Inc. of O'Fallon, Illinois to perform engineering services for the City of Columbia, Illinois pertaining to review of the Improvement Plans prepared by the engineering firm of Burns & McDonnell for the Cherry Street and Ferkel Street Reconstruction Project in the City of Columbia, Illinois. Upon Roll Call vote, Aldermen Conrad, Ebersohl, Agne, Niemietz, Unnerstall, Row, Huch, and Mayor Hutchinson voted yea. Motion Carried.

2. Ordinance No. 2493 – Oates Associates Professional Services Contract

MOTION:

It was moved by Alderman Ebersohl, and seconded by Alderman Row, to pass Ordinance No. 2493, an ordinance authorizing a Professional Services Contract to employ Oates Associates of Collinsville, Illinois to perform engineering services for the City of Columbia, Illinois on an as needed basis to include consulting engineering services pertaining to City approval of Subdivision Plats and Infrastructure Improvement Plans. Upon Roll Call vote, Aldermen Conrad, Ebersohl,

Agne, Niemietz, Unnerstall, Row, Huch, and Mayor Hutchinson voted yea.
Motion Carried.

MOTION:

It was moved by Alderman Conrad, and seconded by Alderman Ebersohl, to accept the report of the City Attorney as presented. Upon Voice vote, all Aldermen present voted yea. Motion Carried.

F. City Clerk

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

V. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Hutchinson inquired if the Council needed to go into Executive Session. There was no reason.

VI. CLAIMS & ACCOUNTS

A. Vouchers

MOTION:

It was moved by Alderman Huch, and seconded by Alderman Unnerstall, to authorize the payment of vouchers received through August 11, 2006; the total amount of the vouchers to be paid is two hundred thirty-seven thousand, one hundred twelve dollars, and sixty cents (\$237,112.60). Upon Roll Call vote, Aldermen Conrad, Ebersohl, Agne, Niemietz, Unnerstall, Row, and Huch voted yea. Motion Carried.

B. Report of Collections

The Report of Collections for the period commencing June 26, 2006 and ending July 25, 2006 was presented to the Council.

MOTION:

It was moved by Alderman Ebersohl, and seconded by Alderman Unnerstall, to approve the Report of Collections for the period commencing June 26, 2006 and ending July 25, 2006, as submitted and on file at City Hall. Upon Voice vote, all Aldermen present voted yea. Motion Carried.

C. Statement of Funds

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

MOTION:

It was moved by Alderman Unnerstall, and seconded by Alderman Huch, to accept the report of the Statement of Funds as submitted and on file at City Hall. Upon Voice vote, all Aldermen present voted yea. Motion Carried.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business brought before the Council.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

There was no New Business brought before the Council.

IX. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

There were Standing Committee Reports.

X. CALL FOR COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Monday, August 28, 2006

7:00 PM - Parks, Playgrounds, and Recreation

XI. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION:

It was moved by Alderman Huch, and seconded by Alderman Agne, to adjourn the Regular City Council Meeting held Monday, August 21, 2006 at 7:52 PM. Upon Voice vote, all Aldermen present voted yea. Motion Carried.

Wesley J. Hoeffken, City Clerk

Mayor Kevin Hutchinson