

**MINUTES OF THE REFUSE COLLECTION AND RECYCLING COMMITTEE
MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA, ILLINOIS
HELD MONDAY, MARCH 8, 2010 IN THE COUNCIL ROOM OF CITY HALL**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Candace Hejna called the Refuse Collection and Recycling Committee Meeting of the City Council of the City of Columbia, Illinois to order at 7:03 p.m.

Upon Roll Call, the following members were:

Present: Chairman Hejna and Aldermen Ebersohl, Agne and Niemietz (arrived at 7:05 p.m.)

Absent: None.

Quorum Present.

Others Present: Mayor Hutchinson and Aldermen Row, Oberkfell, Stumpf and Roessler.

Administrative Staff Present: City Administrator Al Hudzik, City Engineer Ron Williams, Accounting Manager Linda Sharp, Chief of Police Joe Edwards and Accounting/Clerical Assistant Sandy Garmer.

Guests Present: Dawn Brucker, Secretary/Treasurer of All Type Tree Service, Inc. (bidder), and Gary May, owner of May Trenching & Landscaping (bidder).

Chairman Hejna stated the purpose of the meeting was to discuss (1) the recommendation for the selection of the successful bidder(s) for the Leaf Removal and Limb Pick Up contracts; and (2) any other items to be considered or discussed.

II. LEAF REMOVAL AND LIMB PICK-UP CONTRACTS DISCUSSION

Chairman Hejna made opening remarks and asked if there were any questions pertaining to City Engineer Williams' Memo and information that was distributed to the Committee Members over the weekend, which contained his recommendation to award the limb and leaf removal service contracts to All Type Tree Service, Inc. for two (2) years (until December 31, 2011) – no questions were asked.

MOTION

It was moved by Alderman Agne and seconded by Alderman Ebersohl to recommend to the City Council that (2) year contracts (until December 31, 2011) be entered into with All Type Tree Service, Inc. for both leaf removal and limb removal services. Chairman Henja and Aldermen Ebersohl, Agne and Niemietz voted yea. A straw poll was taken with Aldermen Row, Oberkfell and Roessler voting yea and Alderman Stumpf voting nay.

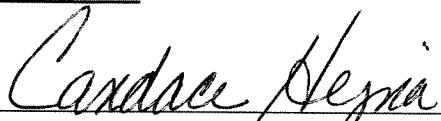
III. OTHER ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED OR DISCUSSED

Chairman Hejna stated she is continuing to check on a facility that will recycle telephone books.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION:

It was moved by Aldermen Agne and seconded by Alderman Ebersohl to adjourn the Refuse Collection and Recycling Committee Meeting of the City Council of the City of Columbia, Illinois held Monday, March 8, 2010, at 7:08 p.m. Upon Roll Call vote, Chairman Hejna and Aldermen Ebersohl, Agne and Niemietz voted yea. **MOTION CARRIED.**



CANDACE HEJNA, Chairman
REFUSE COLLECTION AND RECYCLING COMMITTEE

Minutes taken by:



SANDRA GARMER, Accounting/Clerical Assistant

**MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING OF THE CITY
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA, ILLINOIS HELD MONDAY,
MARCH 8, 2010 IN THE COUNCIL ROOM OF CITY HALL**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Ebersohl called the Committee of the Whole Meeting of the City Council of the City of Columbia, Illinois to order at 7:10 p.m.

Upon Roll Call, the following members were:

Present: Chairman Ebersohl and Aldermen Agne, Niemietz, Row, Hejna, Oberkfell, Stumpf, Roessler and Mayor Hutchinson.

Absent: None.

Quorum Present.

Administrative Staff Present: City Administrator Al Hudzik, City Engineer Ron Williams, Chief of Police and Ambulance Director Joe Edwards, Accounting Manager Linda Sharp, Fire Chief Mike Roediger and Accounting/Clerical Assistant Sandy Garmer.

Guests Present: Michael Sullivan, Sugar Loaf Township Supervisor and Michael Terry, Sugar Loaf Township Clerk.

Chairman Ebersohl stated the purpose of the meeting was to discuss (1) Sugar Loaf Township's delinquent sewerage charges, and recent legislation applying to water service providers; (2) a diorama of Buck's Tavern; (3) the financial review (9 months) of the city's funds and budget information; and (4) any other items to be considered or discussed.

**II. SUGAR LOAF TOWNSHIP DELINQUENT SEWERAGE CHARGES
LEGISLATION AS IT APPLIES TO COLUMBIA (AS WATER SERVICE
PROVIDER) PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION**

Alderman Ebersohl called upon Sugar Loaf Township Clerk Michael Terry to address the Committee on this issue. Mr. Terry briefed the Committee on recent legislation that went into effect on January 1st (i.e., 60 ILCS 1/205-75) requiring water service providers to discontinue water service to township residents who are delinquent on their sewerage charges, upon being notified of said delinquency by the township (provided the township takes the necessary steps as detailed in said legislation) – he also indicated that several other townships were successfully working with their water providers on this issue, and informed the Committee that Du Pont Water District and Dupo Water District have

agreed to work with Sugar Loaf Township on their delinquencies. Mr. Terry asked the Committee for the City's cooperation (with the township) on this issue, and stated he had a sample Intergovernmental Agreement for the Committee's/Council's consideration. A general discussion was then held and several questions were asked of Mr. Terry – it was the general consensus of the Committee that the Columbia Water Department's assistance be given to Sugar Loaf Township as required by State Statutes.

MOTION:

It was moved by Alderman Row and seconded by Alderman Niemietz to recommend to the City Council that the sample Intergovernmental Agreement documentation provided by Sugar Loaf Township representatives concerning delinquent township sewer bills to customers served by the Columbia Water Department be referred to the City Attorney and City Administrator for review, amendment (as needed), and re-submittal to the City Council for its consideration and approval. Chairman Ebersohl and Aldermen Agne, Niemietz, Row, Hejna, Oberfell, Stumpf and Roessler voted yea. **MOTION CARRIED.**

III. DIORAMA OF BUCK'S TAVERN PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION

Director of Community and Economic Development Ellis entered the meeting and distributed photos of a diorama (scale model) of Buck's Tavern built by Colonel Edmund Kueker (of Waterloo) – Mr. Ellis explained that Buck's Tavern was located on Main Street (on property which is the current site of Immaculate Conception School) and it was historically significant because it was a stagecoach stop on the Kaskaskia Trail. Mr. Ellis also informed the Committee that Colonel Kueker has expressed an interest in donating the diorama to the City for public display, but plans to retain ownership of it as long as he is living. A discussion was then held pertaining to this issue

MOTION:

It was moved by Alderman Niemietz and seconded by Alderman Hejna to recommend to the City Council that the City express its interest in accepting the donation of Colonel Edmund Kueker's diorama of Buck's Tavern for public display, with Colonel Kueker retaining ownership as long as he wishes. Chairman Ebersohl and Aldermen Agne, Niemietz, Row, Hejna, Oberfell, Stumpf and Roessler voted yea. **MOTION CARRIED.**

IV. FINANCIAL REVIEW (9 MOS.) & BUDGET INFORMATION PRESENTATION

Accounting Manager Linda Sharp then addressed the Committee and began her review of the nine (9) months expenditure figures (as compared to the total amount budgeted) for various line items, departments and funds of the city; an analysis was also presented for several of the figures reviewed – during the course of Linda's review, City Administrator Hudzik distributed and reviewed a worksheet detailing the city's legal fees (on a cash basis) for the first nine (9) months of the city's fiscal year. Accounting Manager Sharp then reviewed worksheets detailing utility (i.e., Monroe County Electric and AmerenIP utility taxes) tax revenues, telecommunications tax revenues and real estate tax revenues received by the city at the nine (9) months timeframe. During the presentations/reviews/analysis given, a discussion (by all in attendance) took place wherein

questions were asked and comments were made pertaining to the figures shown and the city's financial condition.

V. OTHER ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED OR DISCUSSED

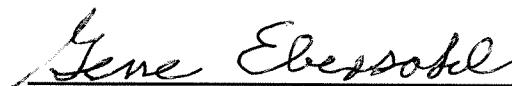
Committee Member Niemietz distributed a one (1) page synopsis of the "Fostering Civility" session she attended at the Illinois Municipal League Conference in September 2009 to the Committee Members.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION:

It was moved by Alderman Agne and seconded by Alderman Roessler to adjourn the Committee of the Whole Meeting of the City Council of the City of Columbia, Illinois held Monday, March 8, 2010 at 8:05 p.m. Upon Roll Call vote, Chairman Ebersohl and Aldermen Agne, Niemietz, Row, Hejna, Oberfell, Stumpf and Roessler voted yea.

MOTION CARRIED.



GENE EBERSOHL, Chairman
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Minutes taken by:


SANDRA GARMER, Accounting/Clerical Assistant

**MINUTES OF THE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE CITY
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA, ILLINOIS HELD MONDAY,
MARCH 8, 2010 IN THE COUNCIL ROOM OF CITY HALL**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Mary Ellen Niemietz called the Personnel Committee Meeting of the City Council of the City of Columbia, Illinois to order at 8:08 p.m.

Upon Roll Call, the following members were:

Present: Chairman Niemietz and Aldermen Ebersohl, Stumpf and Roessler.

Absent: None.

Quorum Present.

Others Present: Mayor Hutchinson and Aldermen Agne, Row, Hejna and Oberkfell.

Administrative Staff Present: City Administrator Al Hudzik, Chief of Police and Ambulance Director Joe Edwards, City Engineer Ron Williams, Accounting Manager Linda Sharp and Accounting/Clerical Assistant Sandy Garmer.

Guests Present: None.

Chairman Niemietz stated the purpose of the meeting was to discuss (i) a student intern (from Germany); and (ii) collective bargaining negotiations and employee salaries (in Executive Session).

II. STUDENT INTERN (FROM GERMANY) DISCUSSION

Chairman Niemietz called upon Mayor Hutchinson to address the Committee on this issue. The Mayor informed the Committee that he had been approached by Jean Marie Conrad about allowing Caterina Giers, a German foreign exchange student who the Conrads are hosting, to serve as a student intern at the City Hall for most of April, 2010 (the dates of April 6th – 28th were mentioned) – the Mayor indicated she would provide clerical support and would not be working with funds or confidential information. A general discussion was then held and it was the consensus of the Committee/Council Members to allow Caterina Giers to work at the City Hall as an intern in April (on an informal basis), without requiring her to submit to the normal physical/drug testing or background checks.

III. EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION – EXECUTIVE SESSION

It was moved by Alderman Ebersohl and seconded by Alderman Roessler to go into Executive Session at 8:13 p.m. to discuss collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees. Chairman Niemietz and Aldermen Ebersohl, Stumpf and Roessler voted yea. **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION – REGULAR SESSION

It was moved by Alderman Ebersohl and seconded by Alderman Stumpf to return to the Regular Session of the Personnel Committee Meeting at 9:55 p.m. Upon Roll Call vote, Chairman Niemietz and Aldermen Ebersohl, Stumpf and Roessler voted yea. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Upon return to the Regular Session of the Personnel Committee Meeting, the following Committee Members were present: Chairman Niemietz and Aldermen Ebersohl, Stumpf and Roessler. Other Council Members present: Mayor Hutchinson and Aldermen Agne, Row, Hejna and Oberkfell.

Chairman Niemietz asked if there was any action to be taken as a result of the Executive Session of the Personnel Committee Meeting – there was none.

IV. OTHER ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED OR DISCUSSED

None.

V. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION:

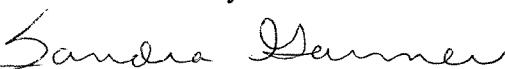
It was moved by Alderman Ebersohl and seconded by Alderman Stumpf to adjourn the Personnel Committee Meeting held Monday, March 8, 2010 at 9:55 p.m. Upon Roll Call Vote, Chairman Niemietz and Aldermen Ebersohl, Stumpf and Roessler voted yea.

MOTION CARRIED.


MARY ELLEN NIEMETZ, Chairman

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Minutes Taken by:


SANDRA GARMER

Accounting/Clerical Assistant