

CITY COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA,
ILLINOIS HELD TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2012 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 members were:

Ebersohl	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	Huch	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Agne	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	Mathews	<input type="checkbox"/> Present	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Absent
Niemietz	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	Piazza	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Roessler	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	Reis	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent

Quorum Present.

Those in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Administrative Staff Present:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Clerk Ron Colyer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Administrator Al Hudzik
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Attorney John Long	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chief of Police & Ambulance Director Joe Edwards
<input type="checkbox"/> Building Inspector Al Holden	<input type="checkbox"/> City Treasurer Bob Naumann
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Engineer Ron Williams	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director of Economic Development Paul Ellis
<input type="checkbox"/> Assistant City Engineer Tim Ahrens	<input type="checkbox"/> Deputy Chief of Police Jerry Paul
<input type="checkbox"/> Deputy CEMS Director Ken Buss	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accounting Manager Linda Sharp
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Head Librarian Erica Pyle	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Plan Commissioner Karin Callis
<input type="checkbox"/> Deputy Clerk Donna Mehaffey	

II. DELEGATION

None.

III. READ AND APPROVE MINUTES

A. Regular City Council Meeting of February 6, 2012

The minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held February 6, 2012 were submitted for approval.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held February 6, 2012 as on file at City Hall.

Moved by: Niemietz Second: Agne Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Roessler	Yea	Piazza	Yea
Agne	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Mathews	Absent		

Motion Carried 7 To 0

IV. REPORT OF DEPARTMENTS/OFFICERS

A. Library - Monthly Report

The monthly Library Report was presented to the City Council by Head Librarian Erica Pyle.

B. Police Department & Communications Monthly Reports

The Police Department and Communications monthly reports were presented to the City Council by Chief of Police & Ambulance Director Joe Edwards.

Chief Edwards noted that the number of domestic calls were up during the month of January.

C. EMS Department - Monthly Report

The monthly report of the EMS Department was presented to the City Council by Chief of Police & Ambulance Director Joe Edwards.

D. Building Department Monthly Report

The monthly report of the Building Department was presented to the City Council by City Engineer Ron Williams.

E. Plan Commission Meeting Minutes - February 13, 2012

Plan Commissioner Karin Callis presented the Plan Commission meeting minutes of February 13, 2012 to the City Council.

F. Community & Economic Development

Community & Economic Development Director Paul Ellis presented the following to the City Council.

1. Final Steps to Adoption - Admiral Trost Subdivision Park Master Plan

Mr. Ellis announced that a public hearing will be scheduled to be held before the City Council on March 19th, 2012 at 6:45 P.M. regarding the Master Plan.

2. Mr. Ellis reported that the Preliminary Notes for the Joint Review Board for the Admiral Parkway Redevelopmental project were accepted by the other involved taxing districts.

3. Mr. Ellis notified the Council of accepted Certified Local Government Designation by the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency.

4. Art on the Bluffs - Special Event Permit Application

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the Special Event Request by Art on the Bluffs for the 2012 Art Walk to be held on Main Street from City Hall to Cotton's Ace Hardware on Saturday, September 22, 2012 from 8:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.

Moved by: Roessler Second: Agne Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Roessler	Yea	Piazza	Yea
Agne	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Mathews	Absent		

Motion Carried 7 To 0

RESCIND PREVIOUS MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to rescind the previous motion to approve the Special Event Request by Art on the Bluffs for the 2012 Art Walk to be held on Main Street from City Hall to Cotton's Ace Hardware on Saturday, September 22, 2012 from 8:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.

Moved by: Roessler Second: Agne Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Roessler	Yea	Piazza	Yea
Agne	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Mathews	Absent		

Motion Carried 7 To 0

5. Century 21 Easter Egg Hunt - Special Event Permit Application

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the Special Event Request by Century 21 Advantage to hold their annual Easter Egg Hunt at the Bolm-Schuhkraft Memorial Park on Saturday, March 31, 2012 from 10:30 A.M. to 11:30 A.M.

Eberschl	Yea	Roessler	Yea	Piazza	Yea
Agne	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Mathews	Absent		

Motion Carried 7 To 0

6. St. Patrick's Day Dog Parade - Special Event Permit Application

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the Special Event Request by the C.R.O.W.N. Organization for a St. Patrick's Day Dog Parade to be held on Saturday, March 17, 2012 from 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. beginning at E. Liberty Street to South Main Street going north to East Legion Avenue and ending at Metter Park.

Moved by: Agne Second: Niemietz Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Roessler	Yea	Piazza	Yea
Agne	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Mathews	Absent		

Motion Carried 7 To 0

7. Columbia Eagles Athletic Booster Club 5K/1 Mile Run/Walk - Updated information was presented indicating the event will be held on the trail in the Bolm-Schuhkraft Memorial Park.

8. Approval for MSBA Banner Design

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the MSBA Banner Design for the City of Columbia.

Ebersohl	Yea	Roessler	Yea	Piazza	Yea
Agne	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Mathews	Absent		

Motion Carried 7 To 0

9. Notification of Grant Appropriation in the amount of \$100,000 from the Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity and Authorization to Submit a Grant Application

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded for authorization to submit a grant application to the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity for the \$100,000 grant appropriation.

Moved by: Ebersohl Second: Roessler Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Roessler	Yea	Piazza	Yea
Agne	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Mathews	Absent		

Motion Carried 7 To 0

G. City Engineer

1. Engineer's Report

The Engineer's Report was presented to the Council by City Engineer Ron Williams.

2. An Ordinance to Authorize an Agreement to Employ Bazan Painting Co. of St. Louis, Missouri to Perform the Southeast Water Tank Exterior Painting Project

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to pass and approve Ordinance No. 2931, An Ordinance to Authorize an Agreement to Employ Bazan Painting Co. of St. Louis, Missouri to Perform the Southeast Water Tank Exterior Painting Project in the City of Columbia, Illinois.

Moved by: Piazza Second: Ebersohl Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Roessler	Yea	Piazza	Yea
Agne	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Mathews	Absent		

Motion Carried 7 to 0

3. An Ordinance to Authorize an Agreement to Employ Midwest Excavating, Inc. of Lenzburg, Illinois to Perform the City Hall Sewer Lateral Replacement Project

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to pass and approve Ordinance No. 2932, An Ordinance to Authorize an Agreement to Employ Midwest Excavating, Inc. of Lenzburg, Illinois to perform the City Hall Sewer Lateral Replacement Project in the City of Columbia, Illinois.

Moved by: Piazza Second: Ebersohl Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Roessler	Yea	Piazza	Yea
Agne	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Mathews	Absent		

Motion Carried 7 to 0

4. Waiving of Water Service Connection Fee for Village of Cahokia to Attach Water Service Line on City Owned Supply Main

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to waive the water service connection fee for the Village of Cahokia to attach the water service line on the City owned supply main.

Moved by: Piazza Second: Roessler Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Roessler	Yea	Piazza	Yea
Agne	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Mathews	Absent		

Motion Carried 7 to 0

Mr. Williams also updated the City Council on the Wernings Phase II development.

H. City Attorney

City Attorney John Long had no report.

I. Finance Department

1. Vouchers to Be Paid

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to authorize the payment of vouchers received through February 16, 2012; the total amount of the vouchers to be paid is one hundred sixty-two thousand, three hundred thirty-nine dollars and sixty-eight cents (\$162,339.68).

Moved by: Roessler Second: Huch Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Roessler	Yea	Piazza	Yea
Agne	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Mathews	Absent		

Motion Carried 7 to 0

2. Statement of Funds

The City's Statement of Funds through January 31, 2012 was presented to the City Council by Accounting Manager, Ms. Linda Sharp. The statement indicated a cash and investment balance of \$5,669,237.44. The balance is \$42,214.41 higher than the \$5,627,023.03 balance of December 31, 2011.

The statement indicated that as of January 31, 2012, the State of Illinois is three months (October, November and January) behind in the payment of collected income tax receipts, totaling \$199,566.06 due to the City of Columbia. (Even though the December distribution was out of sequence, the Comptroller's Office assured Treasurer Bob Naumann the City would receive the October and November distribution amounts at a later date.)

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the Statement of Funds through January 31, 2012 as presented.

Moved by: Roessler Second: Reis Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Roessler	Yea	Piazza	Yea
Agne	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Mathews	Absent		

Motion Carried 7 To 0

J. Administration Department

1. Administrator's Report

City Administrator Al Hudzik presented his report to the City Council.

2. An Ordinance to Authorize the City of Columbia, Illinois to Enter into an Agreement with Motorola Solutions, Inc. Allowing the City of Columbia to Use Motorola's Starcom21 Network to Broadcast Public Safety Radio System Signals

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to pass and approve Ordinance No. 2933, An Ordinance to Authorize the City of Columbia, Illinois to Enter into an

Agreement with Motorola Solutions, Inc. Allowing the City of Columbia to Use Motorola's Starcom21 Network to Broadcast Public Safety Radio System Signals.

Eberschl	Yea	Roessler	Yea	Piazza	Yea
Agne	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Mathews	Absent		

Motion Carried 7 to 0

3. An Ordinance to Authorize the City of Columbia, Illinois to Enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with Monroe County, Illinois Providing the City of Columbia with Access to Monroe County's Radio System for the Purpose of Conducting Official Governmental Related Radio Communications

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to pass and approve Ordinance No. 2934, An Ordinance to Authorize the City of Columbia, Illinois to Enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with Monroe County, Illinois Providing the City of Columbia with Access to Monroe County's Radio System for the Purpose of Conducting Official Governmental Related Radio Communications.

Moved by: Reis Second: Ebersohl Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Roessler	Yea	Piazza	Yea
Agne	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Mathews	Absent		

Motion Carried 7 to 0

4. An Ordinance to Authorize the City of Columbia, Illinois, to Enter into an Agreement with Mercury Communications, Inc. for the Construction of a Radio Communications Tower Adjacent to the Police Department Building

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to pass and approve Ordinance No. 2935, An Ordinance to Authorize the City of Columbia, Illinois, to enter into an Agreement with Mercury Communications, Inc. for the Construction of a Radio Communications Tower Adjacent to the Police Department Building.

Ebersohl	Yea	Roessler	Yea	Piazza	Yea
Agne	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Mathews	Absent		

Motion Carried 7 to 0

K. Mayor's Report

None.

Accept Department and Officers Reports

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to accept the reports of all Departments and Officers as presented.

Moved by:	Huch	Second:	Reis	Vote: Roll Call	
Ebersohl	Yea	Roessler	Yea	Piazza	Yea
Agne	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Mathews	Absent		

Motion Carried 7 to 0

V. OLD BUSINESS

None

VI. NEW BUSINESS

None

VII. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

A. Parks, Playgrounds and Recreation

1. Regular Session Minutes - February 13, 2012

The Regular Session Minutes of the Parks, Playgrounds and Recreation Committee Meeting held Monday, February 13, 2012 were presented for approval.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Regular Session of the Parks, Playgrounds and Recreation Committee Meeting held Monday, February 13, 2012 as on file at City Hall.

Moved by:	Niemietz	Second:	Ebersohl	Vote: Roll Call	
Ebersohl	Yea	Roessler	Yea	Piazza	Yea
Agne	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Mathews	Absent		

Motion Carried 7 to 0

B. Finance, Claims, Bonds and Interest

1. Regular Session Minutes - February 13, 2012

The Regular Session Minutes of the Finance, Claims, Bonds and Interest Committee Meeting held Monday, February 13, 2012 were presented for approval.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Regular Session of the Finance, Claims, Bonds and Interest Committee Meeting held Monday, February 13, 2012 as on file at City Hall.

Moved by:	Roessler	Second:	Huch	Vote: Roll Call	
Ebersohl	Yea	Roessler	Yea	Piazza	Yea
Agne	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Mathews	Absent		

Motion Carried 7 to 0

C. Refuse Collection and Recycling

1. Regular Session Minutes - February 13, 2012

The Regular Session Minutes of the Refuse Collection and Recycling Committee Meeting held Monday, February 13, 2012 were presented for approval.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Regular Session of the Refuse Collection and Recycling Committee Meeting held Monday, February 13, 2012 as on file at City Hall.

Moved by: Reis Second: Niemietz Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Roessler	Yea	Piazza	Yea
Agne	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Mathews	Absent		

Motion Carried 7 to 0

D. Streets, Sidewalks, Drainage and Public Utilities

1. Motion: Recommend to the City Council that city staff submit a Transportation Improvement Program Grant application (for the 2016/2017 program year) for the resurfacing of a portion of N. Main Street in an amount not to exceed \$400,000.00 of grant proceeds.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded that city staff submit a Transportation Improvement Program Grant application (for the 2016/2017 program year) for the resurfacing of a portion of N. Main Street in an amount not to exceed \$400,000.00 of grant proceeds.

Moved by: Ebersohl Second: Reis Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Roessler	Yea	Piazza	Yea
Agne	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Mathews	Absent		

Motion Carried 7 to 0

2. Regular Session Minutes - February 13, 2012

The Regular Session Minutes of the Streets, Sidewalks, Drainage and Public Utilities Committee Meeting held Monday, February 13, 2012 were presented for approval.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Regular Session of the Streets, Sidewalks, Drainage and Public Utilities Committee Meeting held Monday, February 13, 2012 as on file at City Hall.

Moved by: Ebersohl Second: Niemietz Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Roessler	Yea	Piazza	Yea
Agne	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Mathews	Absent		

Motion Carried 7 to 0

E. Ambulance, Radio Communication and Dispatch

1. Regular Session Minutes - February 13, 2012

The Regular Session Minutes of the Ambulance, Radio Communication and Dispatch Committee Meeting held Monday, February 13, 2012 were presented for approval.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Regular Session of the Ambulance, Radio Communication and Dispatch Committee Meeting held Monday, February 13, 2012 as on file at City Hall.

Moved by: Reis Second: Huch Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Roessler	Yea	Piazza	Yea
Agne	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Mathews	Absent		

Motion Carried 7 to 0

VIII. CALL FOR COMMITTEE MEETINGS - FEBRUARY 27, 2012

Committee of the Whole - 7:00 P.M. River Plain District (American Bottom) Development Discussion

Ordinance, Planning and Zoning - 7:10 P.M. Zoning Code Definitions Discussion

Refuse Collection and Recycling - 7:20 P.M. Leaf and Limb Pick-Up RFP Bid Proposals Review/Discussion

Streets, Sidewalks, Drainage and Public Utilities - 7:30 P.M. Street Signs Discussion - Main Street; Street Maintenance Surfacing Options Discussion

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

X. ADJOURNMENT

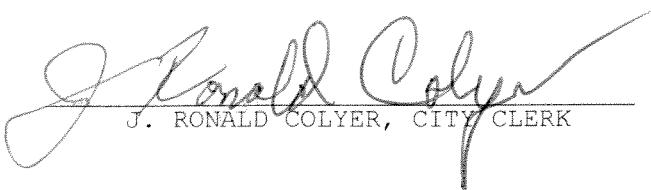
MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to adjourn the Regular City Council Meeting held Tuesday, February 21, 2012 at 8:05 P.M.

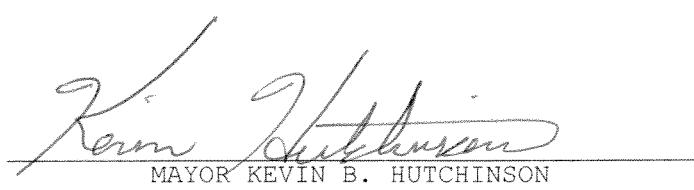
Moved by: Agne Second: Niemietz Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Roessler	Yea	Piazza	Yea
Agne	Yea	Huch	Yea	Reis	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Mathews	Absent		

Motion Carried 7 To 0



J. RONALD COLYER, CITY CLERK



Kevin B. HUTCHINSON
MAYOR KEVIN B. HUTCHINSON