

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA,  
ILLINOIS HELD MONDAY, MAY 21, 2012 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 members were:

<b>Ebersohl</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	<b>Huch</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Present	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Absent
<b>Agne</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	<b>Mathews</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
<b>Niemietz</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	<b>Piazza</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
<b>Roessler</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	<b>Reis</b>	<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 type="checkbox"/> Chief of Police & Ambulance Director Joe Edwards
<input checked="" 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 Clerk Donna Mehaffey	<input type="checkbox"/> Accounting Manager Linda Sharp
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Head Librarian Erica Pyle	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Plan Commissioner Dwayne Worley

II. DELEGATION

A. Columbia High School Cheerleaders

Mayor Hutchinson presented Coach Robbie Walters and the Columbia High School Cheerleaders with special awards and Certificates of Achievement in recognition of the squad's 2012 IHSA Sectional and State Championships, the ICCA Championship and the NCA HS Open National Championship Titles; outstanding dedication, commitment and exceptional representation of Columbia, Illinois.

III. READ AND APPROVE MINUTES

A. Regular City Council Meeting of May 7, 2012

The minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held Monday, May 7, 2012 were submitted for approval.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held Monday, May 7, 2012 as on file at City Hall.

Moved by: Roessler      Second: Reis      Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried 7 To 0

B. Executive Session Meeting of May 7, 2012

The minutes of the Executive Session of the City Council held Monday, May 7, 2012 were submitted for approval.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Executive Session of the City Council held Monday, May 7, 2012 as on file at City Hall.

Moved by: Reis      Second: Mathews      Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried 7 To 0

IV. REPORT OF DEPARTMENTS/OFFICERS

A. Library - Monthly Report

## 1. Monthly Report

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

B. Police Department

1. Communications & Police Department - Monthly Reports

The Communications and Police Department monthly reports were presented to the City Council by City Administrator Al Hudzik.

2. Ordinance Establishing Hiring Standards for Part-Time Police Officers

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to pass and approve Ordinance No. 2952, An Ordinance establishing Hiring Standards for Part-Time Police Officers.

Moved by: Piazza Second: Niemietz Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried 7 To 0

3. Ordinance Adopting Procedures and Guidelines for Vehicle Impoundment in the City of Columbia, Illinois, to include Administrative Fees and the Right to a Hearing

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to pass and approve Ordinance No. 2953, An Ordinance adopting Procedures and Guidelines for Vehicle Impoundment in the City of Columbia, Illinois, to include Administrative Fees and the Right to a Hearing.

Moved by: Agne Second: Ebersohl Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried 7 To 0

4. Resolution Authorizing the Chief of Police to sign Towing Agreements on behalf of the City of Columbia, Illinois

**MOTION:**

It was moved and seconded to pass and approve Resolution No. 01-2012, A Resolution authorizing the Chief of Police to sign Towing Agreements on behalf of the City of Columbia, Illinois.

Moved by: Agne Second: Mathews Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried 7 To 0

C. EMS Department - Monthly Report

The monthly report of the EMS Department was presented to the City Council by City Administrator Al Hudzik.

D. Building Department

## 1. Monthly Report

The monthly report of the Building Department was presented to the City Council by Building Inspector Al Holden.

2. Immaculate Conception Church - Request for Variance

See Item IV-G-2, page 4, under the City Engineer's report.

E. Plan Commission Meeting Minutes - May 14, 2012

Plan Commissioner Dwayne Worley presented the Plan Commission meeting minutes of May 14, 2012 to the City Council.

F. Community & Economic Development

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

1. Cardinals Alumni Kids Clinic - Special Event Request

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the Special Event Request by the St. Louis Cardinals, LLC to hold their Cardinals Alumni Kids Clinic on Thursday, July 19<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 A.M. to 12:30 P.M. at the Columbia American Legion Post 581 Park.

Moved by: Mathews      Second: Ebersohl      Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried 7 To 0

## 2. Lupus WolfRide GranFondo - Special Event Request

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the Special Event Request by the Lupus Foundation of America, Heartland Chapter to hold their Lupus WolfRide GranFondo on Saturday, August 4th from 6:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. at the Bolm-Schuhkraft Memorial Park.

Moved by: Niemietz      Second: Ebersohl      Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried 7 To 0

Mr. Ellis updated the Council on an "Explore Columbia" project, on marketing strategy ideas and an invitation from the City of Waterloo to participate in an upcoming traveling Smithsonian display.

G. City Engineer - Report

1. Engineer's Report

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

Mr. Williams noted updates and progress reports on projects including the South Main/Route 3 Intersection Improvement, water line improvements on Washington, Liberty and Evergreen Streets, the Police Communications Tower, Columbia Lakes CUPs, the Temple Street Sidewalk and the preliminary engineering work for the Cherry Street - Liberty to South Main Street project.

2. Ordinance to grant a Zoning Code Variance to Immaculate Conception Roman Catholic Church of Columbia, Illinois to be located on property having the assigned address of 441 Palmer Road in the City of Columbia, Illinois to allow designated portions of the parking area to be an A-3 surface treatment

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to pass and approve Ordinance No. 2954, An Ordinance to grant a Zoning Code Variance to Immaculate Conception Roman Catholic Church of Columbia, Illinois to be located on property having the assigned address of 441 Palmer Road in the City of Columbia, Illinois to allow designated portions of the parking area to be an A-3 surface treatment.

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

Motion Carried 8 to 0

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 May 17, 2012; the total amount of the vouchers to be paid is two hundred fifty thousand one hundred fifty dollars and eighty-four cents (\$250,150.84).

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

Motion Carried 7 To 0

J. Administration Department

1. Administrator's Report

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

2. Ordinance Authorizing the City of Columbia, Illinois, to enter into a Non-Disclosure Agreement with Azavar Audit Solutions, Inc. and Ameren Services Company, a Missouri Corporation on behalf of itself and its affiliates (collectively "Ameren") pertaining to Non-Disclosure of Confidential Corporate Information

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to pass and approve Ordinance No. 2955 as amended, An Ordinance Authorizing the City of Columbia, Illinois, to enter into a Non-Disclosure Agreement with Ameren Services Company, a Missouri Corporation on behalf of itself and its utility affiliates (collectively "Ameren") pertaining to Non-Disclosure of Confidential Corporate Information.

Moved by: Ebersohl      Second: Agne      Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried 7 to 0

K. Mayor

1. Mayor's Report

Mayor Hutchinson presented his report to the City Council for the month of April 2012.

Accept Department and Officers Reports

MOTION:

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

Moved by: Ebersohl      Second: Mathews      Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried 7 to 0

V. OLD BUSINESS

None.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

None.

VII. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

A. Streets, Sidewalks, Drainage and Public Utilities Committee

1. Regular Session Minutes - May 14, 2012

The Regular Session Minutes of the Streets, Sidewalks, Drainage and Public Utilities Committee Meeting held Monday, May 14, 2012 were presented for approval.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Streets, Sidewalks, Drainage and Public Utilities Committee Meeting held Monday, May 14, 2012 as on file at City Hall.

Moved by: Ebersohl      Second: Reis      Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried      7 to 0

B. Ambulance, Radio Communication and Dispatch Committee

1. Regular Session Minutes - May 14, 2012

The Regular Session Minutes of the Ambulance, Radio Communication and Dispatch Committee Meeting held Monday, May 14, 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, May 14, 2012 as on file at City Hall.

Moved by: Reis      Second: Niemietz      Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried      7 to 0

C. Committee of the Whole Committee

1. Motion: Recommend to the City Council that city staff be authorized to coordinate the replacement of city servers, including auxiliary equipment and software updates, with REJIS personnel in an amount approximating \$30,000, based upon the recommendations of REJIS and using an informal bidding process conducted by REJIS.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded that city staff be authorized to coordinate the replacement of city servers, including auxiliary equipment and software updates, with REJIS personnel in an amount approximating \$30,000, based upon the recommendations of REJIS and using an informal bidding process conducted by REJIS.

Moved by: Ebersohl      Second: Reis      Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried      7 to 0

2. Motion: Recommend to the City Council that the law firm of Gilmore Bell of St. Louis, Missouri, be employed as Redevelopment Counsel and Bond Counsel in connection with future development of the American Bottom area in Columbia.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded that the law firm of Gilmore Bell of St. Louis, Missouri, be employed as Redevelopment Counsel and Bond Counsel in connection with future development of the American Bottom area in Columbia.

Moved by: Ebersohl      Second: Reis      Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried 7 to 0

3. Regular Session Minutes - May 14, 2012

The Regular Session Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Committee Meeting held Monday, May 14, 2012 were presented for approval.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Regular Session of the Committee of the Whole Committee Meeting held Monday, May 14, 2012 as on file at City Hall.

Moved by: Ebersohl      Second: Roessler      Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried 7 to 0

4. Executive Session Minutes - May 14, 2012

The Executive Session Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Committee Meeting held Monday, May 14, 2012 were presented for approval.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Executive Session of the Committee of the Whole Committee Meeting held Monday, May 14, 2012 as on file at City Hall.

Moved by: Ebersohl      Second: Reis      Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried 7 to 0

D. Personnel Committee

1. Regular Session Minutes - May 14, 2012

The Regular Session Minutes of the Personnel Committee Meeting held Monday, May 14, 2012 were presented for approval.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Regular Session of the Personnel Committee Meeting held Monday, May 14, 2012 as on file at City Hall.

Moved by: Ebersohl      Second: Niemietz      Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried 7 to 0

2. Executive Session Minutes - May 14, 2012

The Executive Session Minutes of the Personnel Committee Meeting held Monday, May 14, 2012 were presented for approval.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Executive Session of the Personnel Committee Meeting held Monday, May 14, 2012 as on file at City Hall.

Moved by: Roessler      Second: Niemietz      Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried 7 to 0

E. Executive and Rules Committee

1. Motion: Recommend to the City Council that the Council Committees remain the same for FY 2012 - 2013 as they were for FY 2011 - 2012 with a change in the Chairman of the Fire Department Committee to Mark Roessler from Gene Ebersohl.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded that the Council Committees remain the same for FY 2012 - 2013 as they were for FY 2011 - 2012 with a change in the Chairman of the Fire Department Committee to Mark Roessler from Gene Ebersohl.

Moved by: Ebersohl      Second: Roessler      Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried 7 to 0

2. Regular Session Minutes - May 14, 2012

The Regular Session Minutes of the Executive and Rules Committee Meeting held Monday, May 14, 2012 were presented for approval.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Regular Session of the Executive and Rules Committee Meeting held Monday, May 14, 2012 as on file at City Hall.

Moved by: Ebersohl      Second: Niemietz      Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried 7 to 0

**VIII. CALL FOR COMMITTEE MEETINGS - TUESDAY, MAY 29, 2012**

Committee of the Whole - 7:00 P.M. - Columbia Lakes Area Community Unit Plan (North & South) Cooperation Agreement(s) review/discussion

Personnel - 7:10 P.M. - Executive Session - Collective Bargaining Negotiations and Employee Wages Discussion

Streets, Sidewalks, Drainage and Public Utilities - 7:20 P.M. - Rotary Club Street Signs discussion-Nova chip Application discussion

**IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**A. Collective Bargaining/Employee Wages Discussion**

Mayor Hutchinson informed the Council that he would entertain a motion to go into Executive Session for discussion on Collective Bargaining/Employee Wages.

**MOTION:**

It was moved and seconded to direct the Mayor to go into Executive Session at 8:03 P.M. for discussion on Collective Bargaining/Employee Wages.

Moved by: Roessler      Second: Reis      Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried 7 To 0

**MOTION:**

It was moved and seconded to return to Regular Session of the City Council at 9:22 P.M.

Moved by: Ebersohl      Second: Reis      Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried 7 To 0

Upon return to Regular Session, Aldermen Ebersohl, Agne, Niemietz, Roessler, Mathews, Piazza, Reis and Mayor Hutchinson were present.

Mayor Hutchinson inquired if there was any business to be brought before the Council as a result of the Executive Session.

There was none.

**X. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:**

It was moved and seconded to adjourn the Regular City Council Meeting held Monday, May 21, 2012 at 9:23 P.M.

Moved by: Reis

Second: Ebersohl

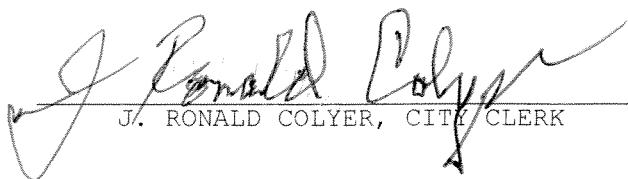
Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea
Agne	Yea
Niemietz	Yea

Roessler	Yea
Huch	Absent
Mathews	Yea

Piazza	Yea
Reis	Yea

Motion Carried 7 To 0



J. RONALD COLYER, CITY CLERK



KEVIN B. HUTCHINSON