

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA,  
ILLINOIS HELD MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 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>Eberschl</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 type="checkbox"/> Present	<input checked="" 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. (\*Alderman Huch arrived at 7:53 P.M.)

Those in attendance were led in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance by Boy Scouts from Pack 319.

Administrative Staff Present:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Clerk J. Ronald 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 type="checkbox"/> Building Inspector Alan Holden	<input type="checkbox"/> City Treasurer Robert Naumann
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Engineer Ronald Williams	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director of Economic Development Paul Ellis
<input type="checkbox"/> Assistant City Engineer Tim Ahrens	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Deputy Chief of Police Jerry Paul
<input type="checkbox"/> Deputy Clerk Donna Mehaffey	<input type="checkbox"/> Accounting Manager Linda Sharp
<input type="checkbox"/> Head Librarian	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Plan Commissioner Dwayne Worley

**II. DELEGATION / CITIZENS' COMMENTS**

Bears and Webelos from Boy Scouts Pack 319 were in attendance at the City Council Meeting.

**III. READ AND APPROVE MINUTES**

**A. Regular City Council Meeting of Tuesday, September 4, 2012**

The minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held Tuesday, September 4, 2012 were submitted for approval.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held Tuesday, September 4, 2012 as on file at City Hall.

Moved by: Roessler      Second: Reis      Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried      6 To 0

**B. Executive Session Meeting of Tuesday, September 4, 2012**

The minutes of the Executive Session of the City Council Meeting held Tuesday, September 4, 2012 were submitted for approval.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Executive Session of the City Council Meeting held Tuesday, September 4, 2012 as on file at City Hall.

Moved by: Niemietz      Second: Reis      Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried 6 To 0

**IV. REPORT OF DEPARTMENTS/OFFICERS**

**A. Library - Monthly Report**

1. Monthly Report

The monthly Library Report was presented to the City Council.

**B. Police Department & Communications - Monthly Reports**

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The Police Department and Communications monthly reports were presented to the City Council by Deputy Chief of Police Jerry Paul.

**C. EMS Department - Monthly Report**

1. Monthly Report

The monthly report of the EMS Department was presented to the City Council by Deputy Chief of Police Jerry Paul.

**D. Building Department - Monthly Report**

1. Monthly Report

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

2. Request for Amendment - 408 S. Rapp, Lawn and Landscaping Business

See Ordinance 2972 under the City Engineer's Report.

**E. Plan Commission Meeting Minutes - September 10, 2012**

Plan Commissioner Dwayne Worley presented the September 10, 2012 Plan Commission meeting minutes to the City Council.

**F. Community & Economic Development**

1. Continued Success for Columbia Businesses: Main Street Merchants Brochure-Shop, Wine & Dine-was presented to the Council by Director Paul Ellis.

2. Marketing Columbia-Director Ellis outlined his busy schedule for the next six weeks.

3. Columbia High School - Special Event Request

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the Special Event Permit for the Columbia High School Homecoming Parade to be held on Wednesday, September 26, 2012 from 6:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. beginning at Eagleview Elementary and ending at the Bolm-Schuhkraft Memorial City Park.

Moved by: Mathews      Second: Niemietz      Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried 6 To 0

4. North Metter Avenue Block Party Request

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the 1000 block of North Metter Block Party to be held on Saturday, October 20, 2012 from 6:30 P.M. to 9:30 P.M. as coordinated with the Department of Public Works with regards to barricades.

Moved by: Ebersohl Second: Mathews Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried 6 To 0

5. Resolution to Authorize a Memorandum of Understanding Between the City of Columbia, Illinois and Dwayne Scheid, Independent Contractor, for Archaeological Research to Confirm and Document the Site of Historic Piggot's Fort Near Columbia, Illinois

This item was tabled.

G. City Engineer - Report

1. Engineer's Report

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

2. An Ordinance to Allow a Lawn and Landscaping Business by Special Use Permit Only in a C-2 (General Business Zoned District) in the City of Columbia, Illinois

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to pass and approve Ordinance No. 2972, An Ordinance to allow a Lawn and Landscaping Business by Special Use Permit Only in a C-2 (General Business Zoned District) in the City of Columbia, Illinois. (Matthew Ritzel - 408 S. Rapp - Lawn and Landscaping business)

Moved by: Agne Second: Roessler Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried 6 To 0

3. An Ordinance to Authorize an Agreement to Employ Quality Assured Industrial Coatings of Alton, Illinois to Perform the Cherry Street Water Tank Interior Painting Project in the City of Columbia, Illinois

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to pass and approve Ordinance No. 2973, An Ordinance to authorize an agreement to employ Quality Assured Industrial Coatings of Alton, Illinois to perform the Cherry Street Water Tank Interior Painting Project in the City of Columbia, Illinois.

Moved by: Ebersohl Second: Roessler Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried 6 To 0

4. An Ordinance Amending the Definition of Kennel in Section 17.04.030 (Definitions and Rules of Construction) of Title 17 (Zoning) of the Municipal Code of the City of Columbia, Illinois

**MOTION:**

It was moved and seconded to pass and approve Ordinance No. 2974, An Ordinance amending the definition of Kennel in Section 17.04.030 (Definitions and Rules of Construction) of Title 17 (Zoning) of the Municipal Code of the City of Columbia, Illinois.

Moved by: Agne Second: Roessler Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried 6 To 0

5. Upgrade of Lighting at City Hall, DOPW Building and Library Basement

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to move forward with applying for the grants to upgrade the lighting at the City Hall Municipal Building, the Department of Public Works building and the Columbia Public Library basement as outlined by the Nu-Way Lighting Company, Inc.

Moved by: Niemietz Second: Ebersohl Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried 6 To 0

6. Pavement Striping-City Engineer Williams recommended pavement striping be postponed until next year.
  7. Mr. Williams updated the Council on projects concerning the Liberty/Washington Streets water line replacement, the Southwoods concrete slab repairs, the limited oil and chip program scheduled to be accomplished by September 25<sup>th</sup> and he requested a Streets Committee meeting to discuss the Main Street Streetscape Project.

H. City Attorney

City Attorney John Long presented the following Resolution to the City Council for approval.

1. A Resolution Authorizing the Signing of a Release of Claims Form Pertaining to the City of Columbia, Illinois V. Jarrod Pochynok Litigation

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to pass and approve Resolution No. 08-2012, A Resolution authorizing the signing of a Release of Claims Form pertaining to the City of Columbia, Illinois V. Jarrod Pochynok Litigation

Moved by: Reis      Second: Roessler      Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried 7 To 0

## I. Finance Department

1. Vouchers to Be Paid

**MOTION:**

It was moved and seconded to authorize the payment of vouchers received through September 13, 2012; the total amount of the vouchers to be paid is two hundred twenty-one thousand eight dollars and sixty cents (\$221,008.60).

Moved by: Roessler      Second: Reis      Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Roessler	Yea	Piazza	Absent
Agne	Yea	Huch	Yea	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. An Ordinance Redistricting the Wards of the City of Columbia, Illinois, Pursuant to the Illinois Municipal Code

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to pass and approve Ordinance No. 2975, An Ordinance redistricting the wards of the City of Columbia, Illinois, pursuant to the Illinois Municipal Code.

Moved by: Ebersohl Second: Reis Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried 7 to 0

3. An Ordinance to Set the Compensation to be Paid to City of Columbia, Illinois, Municipal Officers Who are Elected at the Next Regular Municipal Election Held in April, 2013

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to pass and approve Ordinance No. 2976, An Ordinance to set the compensation to be paid to City of Columbia, Illinois, Municipal Officers who are elected at the next regular Municipal Election Held in April, 2013.

Moved by: Ebersohl Second: Agne Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried 7 to 0

K. Mayor

1. Proclamation - No Texting Pledge

Mayor Hutchinson presented a No Texting Pledge Proclamation to the City Council.

2. Approval of City Council Committee Revisions as Discussed at the Executive and Rules Committee Meeting on September 10, 2012

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the City Council Committee Revisions as discussed at the Executive and Rules Committee Meeting on September 10, 2012.

Moved by: Niemietz Second: Agne Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried 7 to 0

Accept Departments and Officers Reports

The Consensus of the Mayor and the Council was to approve and accept the reports of the Officers and Departments.

V. OLD BUSINESS

None.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

None.

VII. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

A. Ambulance, Radio Communication and Dispatch

1. Regular Session Minutes - September 10, 2012

The Regular Session Minutes of the Ambulance, Radio Communication and Dispatch Committee Meeting held Monday, September 10, 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, September 10, 2012 as on file at City Hall.

Moved by: Reis Second: Mathews Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried 7 to 0

B. Committee of the Whole

1. Recommend to the City Council that the compensation to be paid to City Officials elected at the April, 2013 Municipal Election be set as follows: (i) Mayor - a salary of \$21,633/yr., for all four (4) years; (ii) City Clerk - a salary of \$17,134/yr. for all four (4) years; (iii) City Treasurer - a salary of \$11,272/yr. for all four (4) years; and (iv) each alderman - fiscal year May 1, 2013 - April 30, 2014 -- \$5,616/yr.; and in each of the fiscal years beginning May 1, 2014, 15 and 16 and ending April 30, 2015, 16 and 17-- \$5,841/yr.

See Item IV-J-3, Page 5, Ordinance 2976.

2. Regular Session Minutes - September 10, 2012

The Regular Session Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Committee Meeting held Monday, September 10, 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, September 10, 2012 as on file at City Hall.

Moved by: Ebersohl      Second: Reis      Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried 7 to 0

3. Executive Session Minutes - September 10, 2012

The Executive Session Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Committee Meeting held Monday, September 10, 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, September 10, 2012 as on file at City Hall.

Moved by: Ebersohl      Second: Roessler      Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried 7 to 0

C. Executive Rules

1. Regular Session Minutes - September 10, 2012

The Regular Session Minutes of the Executive and Rules Committee Meeting held Monday, September 10, 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, September 10, 2012 as on file at City Hall.

Moved by: Ebersohl      Second: Roessler      Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried 7 to 0

**VIII. CALL FOR COMMITTEE MEETINGS - SEPTEMBER 24, 2012**

Streets, Sidewalks, Drainage and Public Utilities 7:00 P.M. (i) Main Street Streetscape Project Discussion; (ii) Thin Bonded Overlay (Novachip) - IDOT Requirements Discussion

Personnel 7:10 P.M. Executive Session: Collective Bargaining Negotiations and Employee Wages update/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 the purpose of Collective Bargaining/Employee Wages discussion.

**MOTION:**

It was moved and seconded to direct the Mayor to go into Executive Session at 8:05 P.M. for the purpose of Collective Bargaining/Employee Wages discussion.

Moved by: Niemietz      Second: Mathews      Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Roessler	Yea	Piazza	Absent
Agne	Yea	Huch	Yea	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 8:33 P.M.

Moved by: Ebersohl      Second: Niemietz      Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried 7 To 0

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

**X. ACTION(S) RESULTING FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**A. Approval of any actions resulting from this council meeting's Executive Session**

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

There was none.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

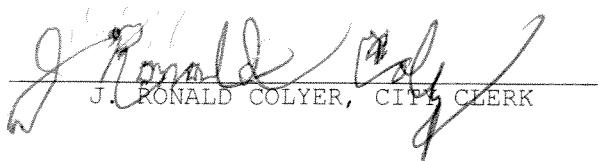
MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to adjourn the Regular City Council Meeting held Monday, September 17, 2012 at 8:35 P.M.

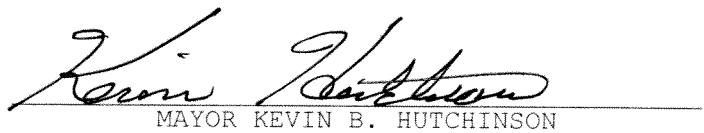
Moved by: Niemietz      Second: Agne      Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried      7 To 0



J. RONALD COLYER, CIPM CLERK



Kevin B. Hutchinson

MAYOR KEVIN B. HUTCHINSON