

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Columbia, Illinois
Held Monday, November 01, 2021 in the Council Room of City Hall.**

A. Call Meeting to Order

Mayor Hill called the City Council of Columbia, Illinois to order at 7:00 PM.

B. Roll Call

Present: Aldermen Niemietz, Roessler, Huch, Holtkamp, Martens, Riddle, Garmer and Khoury.

Absent: None.
Quorum present.

Administrative Staff present:

City Clerk Andrew Hitzemann
City Attorney Terry Bruckert
City Engineer Chris Smith
City Treasurer Linda Sharp
IT Director James Mitchell
EMS Chief Kim Lamprecht

City Administrator Douglas Brimm
Chief of Police Jason Donjon
Deputy Chief of Police Karla Heine
Dir. of Community Dev. Scott Dunakey
Deputy City Clerk Kelly Mathews

C. Pledge of Allegiance

Those in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

D. Proclamations/Recognitions/Presentations

1. Presentation of Lifesaver Award to Columbia Police & EMS Personnel

Chief Donjon recognized Lauren Luke, Officers Josh Bayer, Zach Hopkins, Michael Barnett, and Tyler McWhorter and EMS Chief Lamprecht recognized Alejandra Rodrigez, April Thomason, Patrick Lenz, and Colton Grote for saving Norman Taylor's life on April 5, 2021.

2. Oaths of Office

Mayor Hill administer the Oaths of Office to Officer Gary Craig, Officer Joseph Roach & Sergeant Michael Barnett

3. Small Business Saturday Proclamation

Mayor Hill proclaimed November 27th as Small Business Saturday and encouraged residents to shop local this holiday season.

E. Public Input

There was no public input.

F. Comments & Announcements - Mayor

Mayor Hill recognized First Responders Day on Oct 28th and thanked them for their service. Mayor Hill also stated there was a great turnout at Halloween Hi-Jinks and there will be a RFP for the public safety complex and a committee created.

G. Comments & Announcements - Aldermen

There were no Aldermen Comments & Announcements.

H. Comments & Announcements - Department Directors

IT Director James Mitchell provided an update to the Council on the IT department. Mr. Mitchell explained there has been an increase in IT tickets and 50% of his workload is providing assistances to these tickets. Mr. Mitchell is going to request an additional staff member for next fiscal period.

Mr. Brimm complemented Mr. Mitchell for all his achievements at City Hall. He has single handedly turned around the IT department and he is looking to provide him with additional support.

I. Consent Agenda

City Clerk Hitzemann read the Consent Agenda.

1. Motion to Approve Minutes of the October 18, 2021 Regular City Council Meeting
2. Motion to Approve Closed Session Minutes of the October 18, 2021 Regular City Council Meeting
3. Motion to Approve Payment of Vouchers for the Period of October 16, 2021 through October 28, 2021 in the Amount of \$227,089.67
4. Motion to Approve Statement of Funds for September 30, 2021
5. Motion to Approve Memorandum of Understanding Between the City of Columbia and the Monroe County Emergency Telephone System Board Pertaining to Mobile Data Terminals
6. Motion to Approve Memorandum of Understanding Between the City of Columbia and the Monroe County Emergency Telephone System Board Pertaining to Cellular Data Services
7. Motion to Approve the Relocation of a Drainage Easement on Parcel No. 04-09-433-020-000 Located at 595 Wernings Drive in the City of Columbia, Monroe County, Illinois
8. Motion to Approve a Plat of Survey and Land Transfer from Parcel No. 04-21-201-009-000 to Parcel No. 04-21-201-010-000 Located in the City of Columbia, Monroe County, Illinois

Mayor Hill inquired if the Council wished to remove any items prior to a motion. There were none.

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Khoury, and seconded by Alderman Huch, to approve the Consent Agenda as read.

Motion Passed.

Roll Call Vote results:

8 Aye: Niemietz, Roessler, Huch, Holtkamp, Martens, Riddle, Garmer and Khoury

0 Nay:

0 Absent:

0 Abstain:

J. Unfinished Business

1. Resolution No. 2021-24 Adopting the Monroe County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan

Mr. Brimm stated this document is for all Municipalities in Monroe County and will be in effect for four years. All Municipalities need to approve this for Monroe County to receive Grant Money.

Motion:

2. It was moved by Alderman Martens, and seconded by Alderman Garmer, to pass and approve Resolution No. 2021-24 Adopting the Monroe County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan

Motion Passed.

Roll Call Vote results:

8 Aye: Niemietz, Roessler, Huch, Holtkamp, Martens, Riddle, Garmer and Khoury

0 Nay:

0 Absent:

0 Abstain:

3. Resolution No. 2021-25 Authorizing the Execution of the Illinois Municipal League Risk Management Association Minimum/Maximum Contribution Agreement

Mr. Brimm announced IMLRMA presented a 0% increase for next term. It is staff's recommendation to participate in the Min/Max program versus full contribution.

Motion:

4. It was moved by Alderman Niemietz, and seconded by Alderman Riddle, to pass and approve Resolution No. 2021-25 Authorizing the Execution of the Illinois Municipal League Risk Management Association Minimum/Maximum Contribution Agreement.

Motion Passed.

Roll Call Vote results:

8 Aye: Niemietz, Roessler, Huch, Holtkamp, Martens, Riddle, Garmer and
Khoury

0 Nay:

0 Absent:

0 Abstain:

K. New Business

1. Motion to Award Camp Jackson Road Water Main Emergency Repair Project to Haier Plumbing, Inc. in the Amount of \$295,000.00

City Engineer Chris Smith reported to the Council they have water lines which go up to Sauget. One of the lines busted under Camp Jackson Road and needs to be fixed. It was built in 1955 and didn't have any casings. The repair is in the budget but the cost is higher than anticipated. All of the bids submitted were close in price.

Alderman Garmer asked if Haier Plumbing, Inc. has done projects for us in the past.

Mr. Smith confirmed they had and they are popular in the St. Louis area. The project start date depends upon how quick Hair Plumbing, Inc. can get the supplies.

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Khoury, and seconded by Alderman Riddle, to Award Camp Jackson Road Water Main Emergency Repair Project to Haier Plumbing, Inc. in the Amount of \$295,000.00

Motion Passed.

Roll Call Vote results:

8 Aye: Niemietz, Roessler, Huch, Holtkamp, Martens, Riddle, Garmer and
Khoury

0 Nay:

0 Absent:

0 Abstain:

2. Discussion of an Ordinance Pertaining to Alternative Nicotine Products

City Administrator Doug Brimm stated Section 5.04.280 of the Municipal Code is outdated and is not up to the current State Statue. In 2019, the State raised the minimum age of purchasing tobacco and nicotine products to 21. The current Section 5.04.280 of the Municipal Code also only covers the traditional tobacco products and does not cover e-cigarettes or vapes.

It is staff's recommendation to update Section 5.04.280 of the Municipal Code so that it complies with State Statute. An ordinance will be presented at the November 15th Council Meeting for review and possible approval.

L. Closed Session

Mayor Hill informed the Council that he would entertain a motion to go into Closed Session to discuss 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), the Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance, or Dismissal of specific employees of the public body, 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(8) Security Procedures, and 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11), Pending or Probable Litigation.

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Garmer, and seconded by Alderman Martens, to direct the Mayor to go into Closed Session at 7:46 PM to discuss 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), the Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance, or Dismissal of specific employees of the public body, 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(8) Security Procedures, and 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11), Pending or Probable Litigation.

Motion Passed.

Roll Call Vote results:

8 Aye: Niemietz, Roessler, Huch, Holtkamp, Martens, Riddle, Garmer and Khoury

0 Nay:

0 Absent:

0 Abstain:

Mayor Hill called the Regular Session of the City Council back to order at 8:45 PM. Upon return to Regular Session, Aldermen Niemietz, Roessler, Huch, Holtkamp, Martens, Riddle, Garmer, Khoury, and Mayor Hill were present.

M. Announcements

Mayor Hill reminded the Council that there's a Veterans Day Parade November 6th at 10:00 AM.

N. Adjournment

Motion:

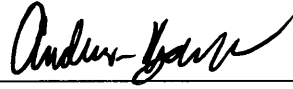
It was moved by Alderman Holtkamp, and seconded by Alderman Riddle, to adjourn the Regular City Council meeting held Monday, November 01, 2021 at 8:46 PM.

Motion Passed.

Roll Call Vote results:

8 Aye: Niemietz, Roessler, Huch, Holtkamp, Martens, Riddle, Garmer and Khoury

- 0 Nay:
- 0 Absent:
- 0 Abstain:



ANDREW HITZEMANN, CITY CLERK



MAYOR BOB HILL