

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA,
ILLINOIS HELD MONDAY, MARCH 1, 2010 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 PM. Upon Roll Call, the following members were:

Ebersohl	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	Hejna	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Agne	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	Oberkfell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Niemietz	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	Stumpf	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Row	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	Roessler	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent

Quorum Present.

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 Tom Adams	<input type="checkbox"/> Chief of Police 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fire Chief Mike Roediger	<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

The Council and citizens in attendance were led in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance by seven new Eagle Scouts who were honored at the meeting.

II. DELEGATION

A. Honoring Eagle Scouts

On behalf of the Council, Mayor Kevin Hutchinson presented Joshua Buechler, Alex Idoux, Aaron Racz, Andrew Roth, Nicholas Whelan, Trevor Wood and Benjamin Schmid a Certificate of Achievement in recognition of their outstanding commitment to the Boy Scouts, for achieving the rank of Eagle Scout and for their exceptional devotion and representation of Columbia.

B. Honoring Columbia High School Cheerleaders

On behalf of the Council, Mayor Hutchinson presented members of the Columbia High School Cheerleading Squad and its coaches a Certificate of Achievement in recognition of the Squad's 2010 Illinois High School Association and the ICCA State Championship titles and the Squad's outstanding commitment and exceptional representation of Columbia.

C. Recognition of Gene Haller as a Member Emeritus on the Heritage & Preservation Commission

Mayor Hutchinson honored Gene Haller, who was recently recommended as "Member Emeritus" by the Columbia Heritage & Preservation Commission, by Proclaiming March 2nd, 2010 to be "Gene Haller Day" in Columbia in recognition of his long and generous service to Columbia and the preservation of its proud heritage.

D. Gibault High School Reservation Request for Bolm-Schuhkraft Tennis Courts

Gibault High School girl's tennis coach Alan Lesko appeared before the Council to request use of the tennis courts in Bolm-Schuhkraft City Park for the 2010 girl's high school tennis season.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the Gibault High School Reservation Request for the Bolm-Schuhkraft Tennis Courts as presented to the Council.

Moved by: Niemietz Second: Oberkfell Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne	Yea	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 8 To 0

III. READ AND APPROVE MINUTES

A. The minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held Tuesday, February 16, 2010 were submitted for approval.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held Tuesday, February 16, 2010, as on file at City Hall.

Moved by: Agne Second: Row Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Abstain
Agne	Yea	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 7 To 0 with 1 abstention

IV. REPORT OF DEPARTMENTS/OFFICERS

A. Community & Economic Development

1. Reports and minutes from Boards, Commissions & Committees were presented by Director Paul Ellis:

- a) Heritage & preservation Commission Meeting Minutes of November 23, 2009
- b) Heritage & Preservation Commission Meeting Minutes of January 25, 2010
- c) Play Commission Meeting Minutes of January 26, 2010
- d) Notice of Open House/Public Hearing - March 22, 2010

Mr. Ellis reported that a public hearing is scheduled for March 22nd at the Shoemaker Schoolhouse for the purpose of reviewing an application for nomination of the Schoolhouse property as a Columbia Historical Landmark.

2. Action Items:

- a) Ordinance to Authorize the Director of Community & Economic Development for the City of Columbia, Illinois to Proceed with an Application to the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency to Designate Columbia as a Certified Local Government

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to pass and approve Ordinance No. 2767, An Ordinance to Authorize the Director of Community & Economic Development for the City of Columbia, Illinois to Proceed with an Application to the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency to Designate Columbia as a Certified Local Government.

Moved by: Agne Second: Ebersohl Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne	Yea	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 8 To 0

b) Ordinance Establishing a Warderman Trust Commission in the City of Columbia, Illinois and Adopting Protocols for its Operation

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to pass and approve Ordinance No. 2768, An Ordinance Establishing a Warderman Trust Commission in the City of Columbia, Illinois and Adopting Protocols for its Operation.

Moved by: Row Second: Hejna Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne	Yea	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 8 To 0

B. City Engineer/Department of Public Works

1. Engineer's Report:

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

2. Authorization to Purchase Two (2) New Meter Readers

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to authorize the purchase of two (2) new Meter Readers for the Department of Public Works at a cost of approximately \$7,500 each.

Moved by: Ebersohl Second: Niemietz Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne	Yea	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 8 to 0

3. Bids for Water Department Service Truck

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the bid of Mertz Ford in the amount of \$25,489.49 for the purchase of a Water Department Service Truck.

Moved by: Ebersohl Second: Roessler Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne	Yea	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 8 to 0

4. 50/50 Sidewalk Application for 304 North Main

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the 50/50 Sidewalk Application for 304 North Main Street.

Moved by: Row Second: Roessler Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne	Yea	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 8 to 0

5. Authorize Mayor to sign Notice of Declaration of Default regarding the Old Town Project-Phase I:

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to authorize the Mayor to sign any and all correspondence and documentation necessary on Old Town Project-Phase I to declare a default and file a claim with the bonding company on the project's performance bond, as needed.

Moved by: Ebersohl Second: Roessler Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne	Yea	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 8 to 0

C. Planning Commission Meeting Minutes - February 22, 2010

The Planning Commission Meeting Minutes of February 22, 2010 were presented to the City Council by Edith Dean.

D. City Attorney

No Action items submitted.

E. Administration Department

1. Resolution in Support of Illinois Senate Bill 2556 and House Bill 4988, identical bills which would amend the Environmental Protection Act, the Rivers, Lakes and Streams Act and the Livestock Management Facilities Act and defines a "100-year floodplain".

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to pass and approve Resolution No. 15-2009, A Resolution in Support of Illinois Senate Bill 2556 and House Bill 4988.

Moved by: Niemietz Second: Roessler Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl	Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne	Yea	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 8 to 0

F. Mayor

1. Mayor's Report

Mayor Hutchinson presented the February, 2010 Mayor's Report to the City Council.

MOTION:

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

Moved by: Agne	Second: Roessler	Vote: Roll Call
Ebersohl Yea	Row Yea	Stumpf Yea
Agne Yea	Hejna Yea	Roessler Yea
Niemietz Yea	Oberkfell Yea	

Motion Carried 8 to 0

V. CLAIMS & ACCOUNTS

A. Vouchers to be Paid

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to authorize the payment of vouchers received through February 25, 2010; the total amount of the vouchers to be paid is two hundred fifteen thousand, one hundred ten dollars, and fifty-one cents (\$215,110.51).

Moved by: Roessler	Second: Stumpf	Vote: Roll Call
Ebersohl Yea	Row Yea	Stumpf Yea
Agne Yea	Hejna Yea	Roessler Yea
Niemietz Yea	Oberkfell Yea	

Motion Carried 8 To 0

VI. OLD BUSINESS

A. None

VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. None

VIII. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

A. Fire Department

1. Regular Session Minutes - February 22, 2010

The Fire Department Committee Meeting minutes held Monday, February 22, 2010 were presented for approval.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Fire Department Committee meeting held Monday, February 22, 2010 as on file at City Hall.

Moved by: Ebersohl	Second: Niemietz	Vote: Roll Call
Ebersohl Yea	Row Yea	Stumpf Abstain
Agne Yea	Hejna Yea	Roessler Yea
Niemietz Yea	Oberkfell Yea	

Motion Carried 7 To 0 with 1 Abstention

B. Refuse Collection and Recycling

1. Regular Session Minutes - February 22, 2010

The Refuse Collection and Recycling Committee Meeting minutes held Monday, February 22, 2010 were presented for approval.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Refuse Collection and Recycling Committee meeting held Monday, February 22, 2010 as on file at City Hall.

Moved by: Hejna	Second: Agne	Vote: Roll Call
Ebersohl Yea	Row Yea	Stumpf Abstain
Agne Yea	Hejna Yea	Roessler Yea
Niemietz Yea	Oberkfell Yea	

Motion Carried 7 To 0 with 1 Abstention

C. Committee of the Whole

1. Regular Session Minutes - February 22, 2010

The Committee of the Whole Committee Meeting minutes held Monday, February 22, 2010 were presented for approval.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Committee meeting held Monday, February 22, 2010 as on file at City Hall.

Moved by: Ebersohl	Second: Roessler	Vote: Roll Call
Ebersohl Yea	Row Yea	Stumpf Abstain
Agne Yea	Hejna Yea	Roessler Yea
Niemietz Yea	Oberkfell Yea	

Motion Carried 7 To 0 with 1 Abstention

D. Personnel

1. Regular Session Minutes - February 22, 2010

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Personnel Committee meeting held Monday, February 22, 2010 as on file at City Hall.

Moved by: Niemietz	Second: Roessler	Vote: Roll Call
Ebersohl Yea	Row Yea	Stumpf Abstain
Agne Yea	Hejna Yea	Roessler Yea
Niemietz Yea	Oberkfell Yea	

Motion Carried 7 To 0 with 1 Abstention

2. Motion: Recommend to the City Council the appointment of J. Dawson Miller, Pastor of New Harmony Church, as an additional volunteer police Chaplain, contingent only upon his successful completion of a background check.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to recommend to the City Council the appointment of J. Dawson Miller, Pastor of New Harmony Church, as an additional Volunteer Police Chaplain, contingent only upon his successful completion of a background check.

Moved by: Niemietz	Second: Roessler	Vote: Roll Call
Ebersohl Yea	Row Yea	Stumpf Yea
Agne Yea	Hejna Yea	Roessler Yea
Niemietz Yea	Oberkfell Yea	

Motion Carried 8 To 0

IX. CALL FOR COMMITTEE MEETINGS - MARCH 8, 2010

- 7:00 PM - Refuse Collection and Recycling
- 7:10 PM - Committee of the Whole
- 7:20 PM - Personnel

X. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Personnel - Update/discussion on Collective Bargaining Negotiations and Employee Salaries

None.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION:

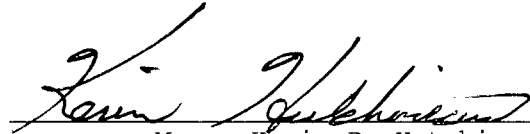
It was moved and seconded to adjourn the Regular City Council Meeting held Monday, March 1, 2010 at 8:25 P.M.

Moved by: Agne		Second: Roessler		Vote: Roll Call	
Ebersohl	Yea	Row	Yea	Stumpf	Yea
Agne	Yea	Hejna	Yea	Roessler	Yea
Niemietz	Yea	Oberkfell	Yea		

Motion Carried 8 To 0



J. Ronald Colyer, City Clerk



Mayor Kevin B. Hutchinson