

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Columbia, Illinois  
held Monday, December 16, 2019 in the Council Room of City Hall.**

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**A. Call Meeting To Order**

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

**B. Roll Call**

**Present:** Aldermen Ebersohl, Niemietz, Roessler, Huch, Holtkamp, Martens, and Riddle.

**Absent:** Alderman Agne.

Quorum present.

**Administrative Staff present:**

City Clerk Wes Hoeffken

City Administrator Douglas Brimm

IT Support Mgr James Mitchell

**C. Pledge of Allegiance**

Those in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**D. Proclamations/Recognitions/Presentations**

There were no proclamations, recognitions, or presentations.

**E. Public Input**

There was no public input.

**F. Comments & Announcements - Mayor**

Mayor Hutchinson informed the Council that he attended the winter IML Board meeting and the Governor was present and provided an overview of the pension legislation he recently signed.

**G. Comments & Announcements - Aldermen**

There were no Aldermen Comments & Announcements.

**H. Comments & Announcements - Department Directors**

There were no Department Director Comments & Announcements.

**I. Consent Agenda**

City Clerk Hoeffken read the Consent Agenda.

1. Motion to approve minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held Monday, December 02, 2019
2. Motion to approve minutes of the Closed Session of the City Council held Monday, December 02, 2019
3. Motion to authorize the payment of vouchers for the period from November 19, 2019 through December 1, 2019 in the amount of \$487,235.68.

4. Motion to authorize the payment of vouchers for the period from December 2, 2019 through December 15, 2019 in the amount of \$559,748.45.
5. Motion to approve the Statement of Funds for the month ending Thursday, October 31, 2019 as submitted and on file at City Hall.
6. Resolution # 2019-26 for Improvement under the Illinois Highway Code (Quarry Road).

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

**Motion:**

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

Motion Passed.

**Roll Call vote results:**

7 Aye: Ebersohl, Niemietz, Roessler, Hutch, Holtkamp, Martens, and Riddle  
0 Nay:  
1 Absent: Agne  
0 Abstain:

**J. Unfinished Business**

**1. Appointment of Nicole Guile as Full-Time Accounting Manager**

**Motion:**

It was moved by Alderman Hutch, and seconded by Alderman Niemietz, to accept the recommendation of the City Administrator and appoint Nicole Guile to the full-time position of Accounting Manager contingent upon satisfying all pre-employment requirements.

Motion Passed.

**Roll Call vote results:**

7 Aye: Ebersohl, Niemietz, Roessler, Hutch, Holtkamp, Martens, and Riddle  
0 Nay:  
1 Absent: Agne  
0 Abstain:

Mr. Brimm informed the Council that Ms. Guile's tentative start date is in thirty days.

**2. Ordinance No. 3486 – Abate Taxes for Fiscal Year Ending April 30, 2020**

**Motion:**

It was moved by Alderman Roessler, and seconded by Alderman Martens, to pass and approve Ordinance No. 3486, an ordinance abating certain taxes of the City of Columbia, Monroe and St. Clair Counties, Illinois.

Motion Passed.

Roll Call vote results:

7 Aye: Ebersohl, Niemietz, Roessler, Huch, Holtkamp, Martens, and Riddle

0 Nay:

1 Absent: Agne

0 Abstain:

3. Ordinance No. 3487 – Levying Taxes for Fiscal Year Ending April 30, 2020

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Roessler, and seconded by Alderman Martens, to pass and approve Ordinance No. 3487, an ordinance levying taxes for Fiscal Year ending April 30, 2020.

Motion Passed.

Roll Call vote results:

7 Aye: Ebersohl, Niemietz, Roessler, Huch, Holtkamp, Martens, and Riddle

0 Nay:

1 Absent: Agne

0 Abstain:

4. Ordinance No. 3488 – Amending Title 9 of Municipal Code Relating to Cannabis

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Martens, and seconded by Alderman Huch, to pass and approve Ordinance No. 3488, an ordinance amending Title 9 of the Municipal Code of the City of Columbia relating to the use of cannabis.

Motion Passed.

Roll Call vote results:

7 Aye: Ebersohl, Niemietz, Roessler, Huch, Holtkamp, Martens, and Riddle

0 Nay:

1 Absent: Agne

0 Abstain:

5. Ordinance No. 3489 – Shared Use Path Construction and Use Easement Dedication

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Niemietz, and seconded by Alderman Ebersohl, to pass and approve Ordinance No. 3489, an ordinance accepting an easement dedication for the construction and use of a Shared Use Path on Columbia Unit District #4 property in the City of Columbia, Illinois.

Motion Passed.

Roll Call vote results:

7 Aye: Ebersohl, Niemietz, Roessler, Huch, Holtkamp, Martens, and Riddle

0 Nay:  
1 Absent: Agne  
0 Abstain:

6. Ordinance No. 3490 – Shared Use Path Construction and Use Quit Claim Deed

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Niemietz, and seconded by Alderman Ebersohl, to pass and approve Ordinance No. 3490, an ordinance accepting a Quit Claim Deed from Evangelical St. Paul Cemetery for the construction and use of a Shared Use Path in the City of Columbia, Illinois.

Motion Passed.

Roll Call vote results:

7 Aye: Ebersohl, Niemietz, Roessler, Huch, Holtkamp, Martens, and Riddle  
0 Nay:  
1 Absent: Agne  
0 Abstain:

7. Ordinance No. 3491 – Sidewalk Construction and Use Quit Claim Deed

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Niemietz, and seconded by Alderman Ebersohl, to pass and approve Ordinance No. 3491, an ordinance accepting a Quit Claim Deed from David H. and Carolyn E. Ward for the construction and use of a sidewalk in the City of Columbia, Illinois.

Motion Passed.

Roll Call vote results:

7 Aye: Ebersohl, Niemietz, Roessler, Huch, Holtkamp, Martens, and Riddle  
0 Nay:  
1 Absent: Agne  
0 Abstain:

**K. New Business**

There was no New Business brought before the Council.

**L. Closed Session**

There was no business addressed in Closed Session.

**M. Announcements**

There were no announcements for the Council.

**N. Adjournment**

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Ebersohl, and seconded by Alderman Niemietz, to adjourn the Regular City Council meeting held Monday, December 16, 2019 at 7:07 PM.

Motion Passed.

Roll Call vote results:

7 Aye: Ebersohl, Niemietz, Roessler, Huch, Holtkamp, Martens, and Riddle

0 Nay:

1 Absent: Agne

0 Abstain:



WESLEY J. HOFFKEN, CITY CLERK



MAYOR KEVIN B. HUTCHINSON