

**MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA,
ILLINOIS HELD MONDAY, AUGUST 20, 2012 IN THE COUNCIL ROOM OF CITY HALL**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hutchinson called the Executive Session of the City Council of Columbia, Illinois to order at 7:31 P.M.

Upon Roll Call, the following members were:

Ebersohl	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	Huch	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Agne	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	Mathews	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Niemietz	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	Piazza	<input type="checkbox"/> Present	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Absent
Roessler	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	Reis	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent

Quorum Present.

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 checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> Director of Economic Development Paul Ellis
<input type="checkbox"/> Deputy Chief of Police Jerry Paul	<input type="checkbox"/> Head Librarian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accounting Manager Linda Sharp	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Labor Attorney Mark Weisman
<input type="checkbox"/> Deputy Clerk Donna Mehaffey	

II. STATED PURPOSE

Mayor Hutchinson stated the Executive Session was called to Update/Discuss Collective Bargaining/Employee Wages.

A. Collective Bargaining/Employee Wages Discussion

City Administrator Al Hudzik began the Executive session with a review of the current medical/prescription and drug premiums and projections of what future costs may be for the Steelworkers Health and Welfare Fund Insurance. Mr. Hudzik updated the Council and the Mayor on an August 15th meeting held with Mark Russillo, a representative of the Officers/Telecommunicators' Unit for the purpose of discussing proposals made by the City and the Officers/Telecommunicators regarding salary and the health insurance issues.

City Labor Attorney Mark Weisman, joined by Mr. Hudzik, the Mayor and several aldermen, discussed the current proposals and several possible scenarios regarding future proposals regarding the contract negotiations with the Officers/Telecommunicators and DOPW.

After debate, with all aldermen having the opportunity to comment and offer opinions, it was the consensus of the Council to provide guidelines for year's one, two and three in the negotiation process (for a three year contract) and to instruct Mr. Weisman and Mr. Hudzik to proceed with negotiations within the provided guidelines.

III. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be brought before the Council in Executive Session, Mayor Hutchinson asked for a motion to return to the Regular Session of the City Council at 8:38 P.M.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to adjourn the Executive Session of the City Council Meeting held Monday, August 20, 2012 at 8:38 P.M.

Moved by: Reis

Second: Ebersohl

Vote: Roll Call

Ebersohl Yea

Roessler Yea

Piazza Absent

Agne Yea

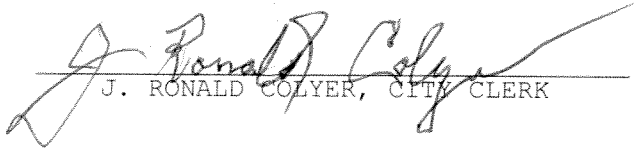
Huch Yea

Reis Yea

Niemietz Yea

Mathews Yea

Motion Carried 7 To 0


J. RONALD COLYER, CITY CLERK


MAYOR KEVIN B. HUTCHINSON