

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA, ILLINOIS  
HELD MONDAY, JUNE 15, 2015 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 vote, the following were:

Ebersohl	Absent	Huch	Present
Agne	Present	Reis	Present
Niemietz	Present	Holtkamp	Present
Roessler	Absent	Martens	Present

Quorum present. Those in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Administrative Staff present:

City Clerk Wes Hoeffken	City Administrator James Morani
City Attorney Terry Bruckert	Chief of Police and EMS Director Joe Edwards
Interim EMS Chief Shannon Bound	Dir. Of Community and Economic Dev. Paul Ellis
Interim Director of Public Works Tim Ahrens	Accounting Manager Linda Sharp
Plan Commissioner Karin Callis	

**II. Delegations and Citizens' Comments**

There were no delegations present.

**III. Read and Approve Minutes**

**A. Regular Meeting**

The minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held Monday, June 1, 2015 were submitted for approval.

**Motion:**

It was moved by Alderman Holtkamp, and seconded by Alderman Huch, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held Monday, June 1, 2015 as on file at City Hall.

Motion Passed 6 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea	Huch	Yea
Reis	Yea	Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea

#### **IV. Report of Departments and Officers**

##### **A. Library**

The monthly report of the Library was presented to the Council.

##### **B. Police and Communications**

The monthly reports of the Police Department and the Communication Department were presented by Chief of Police Joe Edwards.

##### **C. Emergency Medical Services**

The monthly report of the Emergency Medical Services was presented by Chief of Police Joe Edwards.

###### **1. Employ Brandon Layton as EMT - Paramedic - Full-Time**

###### **Motion:**

It was moved by Alderman Huch, and seconded by Alderman Martens, to accept the recommendation of Interim EMS Chief Shannon Bound and employ Brandon Layton as a full-time EMT - Paramedic, continent upon satisfying all pre-employment requirements. Motion Passed 6 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea	Huch	Yea
Reis	Yea	Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea

###### **2. Employ Peter Krayniak as EMT - Basic - Part-Time**

###### **Motion:**

It was moved by Alderman Huch, and seconded by Alderman Reis, to accept the recommendation of Interim EMS Chief Shannon Bound and employ Peter Krayniak as a part-time EMT - Basic, continent upon satisfying all pre-employment requirements. Motion Passed 6 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea	Huch	Yea
Reis	Yea	Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea

D. Plan Commission

The Plan Commission Meeting Minutes of Monday, June 8, 2015 were presented by Commissioner Karin Callis.

E. Building and Zoning

The monthly report of the Building Department was presented to the Council.

1. Ordinance No. 3188 - Amend City Zoning Code

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Holtkamp, and seconded by Alderman Niemietz, to pass and approve Ordinance No. 3188, an ordinance to amend the City of Columbia, Illinois Zoning Code to add financial institutions, including financial institutions with a drive through facility, as a permitted use in a C-1 (Neighborhood Business) Zoned District. Motion Passed 6 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea	Huch	Yea
Reis	Yea	Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea

F. Community and Economic Development

The monthly report of the Community and Economic Development was presented by Director Paul Ellis.

1. Resolution No. 03-2015 - Authorize CDAP Loan – Mokka Café

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Reis, and seconded by Alderman Martens, to pass and approve Resolution No. 03-2015, a resolution conditionally authorizing a Community Development Assistance Program (CDAP) Revolving Loan to Mokka Café, an Illinois S Corporation. Motion Passed 6 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea	Huch	Yea
Reis	Yea	Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea

## 2. Special Event Permit Application - Who Dat's

### Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Agne, and seconded by Alderman Martens, to approve the Special Event Permit Application for Who Dat's Shrimp Boil to be held on June 27, 2015, as submitted and on file at City Hall. Motion Passed 6 to 0.

Voice vote results:

Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea	Huch	Yea
Reis	Yea	Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea

## 3. Special Event Permit Application - Lupus WolfRide GranFondo

### Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Niemietz, and seconded by Alderman Agne, to approve the Special Event Permit Application for the Lupus WolfRide GranFondo scheduled to be held on August 1, 2015, as submitted and on file at City Hall. Motion Passed 6 to 0.

Voice vote results:

Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea	Huch	Yea
Reis	Yea	Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea

## G. Public Works

The Public Works monthly report was presented by Interim Director Tim Ahrens.

### 1. Resolution No. 04-2015 - Street and Highway Maintenance

#### Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Reis, and seconded by Alderman Holtkamp, to pass and approve Resolution No. 04-2015, a resolution for the maintenance of streets and highways by a municipality under the Illinois Highway Code. Motion Passed 6 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea	Huch	Yea
Reis	Yea	Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea

## H. Finance

### 1. Vouchers To Be Paid

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Hutch, and seconded by Alderman Martens, to authorize the payment of vouchers received through June 11, 2015 in the amount of five hundred seventeen thousand, three hundred fifty dollars, and sixty-five cents (\$517,350.65). Motion Passed 6 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea	Huch	Yea
Reis	Yea	Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea

I. City Attorney

There was no report by the City Attorney.

J. Administration

The monthly report of the City Administrator was presented by City Administrator James Morani.

1. Ordinance No. 3189 - Prevailing Rate of Wages

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Reis, and seconded by Alderman Martens, to pass and approve Ordinance No. 3189, an ordinance of the City of Columbia, Illinois ascertaining the prevailing rate of wages for laborers, workers, and mechanics employed on Public Works of said City. Motion Passed 6 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea	Huch	Yea
Reis	Yea	Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea

2. Approve Amendment to REJIS Services Agreement

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Hutch, and seconded by Alderman Holtkamp, to approve Amendment Number One to the I.T. Support Services Agreement between the City of Columbia, Illinois and REJIS Commission Information Technology dated April 20, 2015. Motion Passed 6 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea	Huch	Yea
Reis	Yea	Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea

### 3. Health Reimbursement Arrangement

Mr. Morani explained that he had prepared an illustration of a Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA) for urgent care visits and explained that without the HRA it would be cheaper for employees to go to the emergency room versus an urgent care facility, even though the emergency room visit would cost the City's insurance pool more money. Mr. Morani then explained the City needs to define the reimbursement for urgent care visits and possibly including an annual cap. Mr. Morani then stated he would like to continue the discussion after he has been able to distribute his illustration.

### K. Mayor

The monthly report of the Mayor was presented by Mayor Hutchinson. Mayor Hutchinson explained the IML has been actively involved in working with Governor Rauner for the current budget without impacting municipalities.

### Approve Reports of Departments and Officers

#### Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Martens, and seconded by Alderman Agne, to approve the report of Departments and Officers as presented and on file at City Hall. Motion Passed 6 to 0.

Voice vote results:

Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea	Huch	Yea
Reis	Yea	Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea

### V. Old Business

#### 1. Health Reimbursement Arrangement – Continued

Mr. Morani distributed a document highlighting a proposed HRA. Mr. Morani explained the HRA would be administered by a third party. Alderman Martens inquired what the employee would pay after the allowable limit was exhausted. Mr. Morani stated the employee would have to pay all costs at that point and explained even with a \$500.00 deductible, it would still be cheaper to go to an urgent care facility versus the emergency room. Mayor Hutchinson suggested the HRA reimburse employees until they satisfy their deductible.

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Holtkamp, and seconded by Alderman Martens, to direct Mr. Morani to proceed with implementing a Health Reimbursement Arrangement as discussed by the Council. Motion Passed 6 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea	Huch	Yea
Reis	Yea	Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea

**VI. New Business**

1. Detective Karla Heine - Major Case Squad

Chief Edwards informed the Council that Detective Heine was the lead investigator for a Major Case Squad investigation of a child death in the Metro East which resulted in an arrest warrant being issued. Chief Edwards added this is the third time Detective Heine has been involved in a child death case and all three times she has been able to secure arrest warrants.

**VII. Report of Standing Committees**

There were no Standing Committee reports.

**VIII. Call for Committee Meetings**

**Monday, June 22, 2015**

7:00 P.M. - Committee of the Whole

**IX. Executive Session**

Mayor Hutchinson informed the Council that he would entertain a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel and collective bargaining as permitted by 5 ILCS 120/2(c).

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Agne, and seconded by Alderman Holtkamp, to direct the Mayor to go into Executive Session at 7:48 P.M. to discuss personnel and collective bargaining as permitted by 5 ILCS 120/2(c). Motion Passed 6 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea	Huch	Yea
Reis	Yea	Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Reis, and seconded by Alderman Holtkamp, to return to Regular Session of the City Council at 8:12 P.M. Motion Passed 6 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea	Huch	Yea
Reis	Yea	Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea

Upon return to Regular Session, Aldermen Agne, Niemietz, Huch, Reis, Holtkamp, Martens, and Mayor Hutchinson were present.

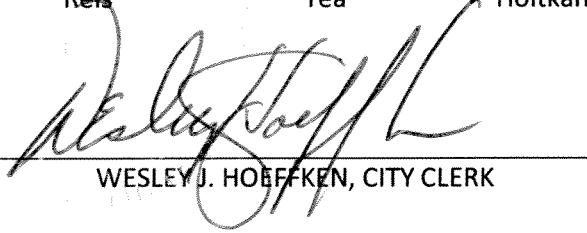
**X. Adjournment**

Motion:

It was moved by Alderman Reis, and seconded by Alderman Agne, to adjourn the Regular City Council meeting held Monday, June 15, 2015 at 8:13 P.M. Motion Passed 6 to 0.

Roll Call vote results:

Agne	Yea	Niemietz	Yea	Huch	Yea
Reis	Yea	Holtkamp	Yea	Martens	Yea



WESLEY J. HOEFFKEN, CITY CLERK



MAYOR KEVIN B. HUTCHINSON