

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA,
ILLINOIS HELD MONDAY, NOVEMBER 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 Terry Bruckert	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chief of Police Joe Edwards
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building Inspector Al Holden	<input type="checkbox"/> City Treasurer Bob Naumann
<input type="checkbox"/> City Engineer Ron Williams	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director of Economic Development Paul Ellis
<input 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
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Assistant City Engineer Tim Ahrens	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Head Librarian Erica Pyle

The Council and citizens in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. DELEGATIONS

A. Columbia American Legion Post 581 - Memorial Park Lease Signing

American Legion Post 581 Commander Herman W. Wolf, Post Adjutant James A. Mertz and past Commander Norman Wessel appeared before the Council to ratify and sign a lease agreement with the City of Columbia. The City has agreed to lease the park grounds and athletic fields at the Legion Complex.

III. READ AND APPROVE MINUTES

A. Regular City Council Meeting of October 18, 2010

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held Monday, October 18, 2010 were submitted for approval.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held Monday, October 18, 2010, as on file at City Hall.

Moved by: Niemietz Second: Ebersohl Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried 9 To 0

IV. REPORT OF DEPARTMENTS/OFFICERS

A. Library

The Library report was given by head librarian Erica Pyle.

1. Approval of Part-Time Shelver/Circulation Clerk
(Kelsey Johnston)

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the hiring of Ms. Kelsee Johnston as a Part-Time Shelver/Circulation Clerk for the Columbia Public Library contingent upon her successful completion of a pre-employment physical, as well as state and federal background checks.

Moved by: Row 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

B. Building & Zoning

The Building and Zoning report was presented by Building Inspector Al Holden.

1. Quality Collision - Request to change original building permit for a commercial building located at 156 Southwoods Center. The request was previously presented to the Architectural Review Board and was approved by a 4-0 vote and recommended for passage by the Council.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the request to change the original building permit for Quality Collision.

Moved by: Row Second: Stumpf Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried 6 To 2

2. Mel and Agnes Stuckmeyer - Zoning Amendment Request

Mr. and Mrs. Stuckmeyer request a zoning amendment from Chapter 17.20, R-5 One Family Dwelling to Chapter 17.10, A-1 Agricultural District of the City of Columbia Zoning Code. The address of the property is Ghent Rd. and Old Palmer Rd. Members of the Zoning Board of Appeals Committee previously reviewed the request and voted 6-0 to accept and recommend passage to the Council.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the Zoning Amendment Request of Mel and Agnes Stuckmeyer.

Moved by: Agne Second: Hejna Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried 8 To 0

C. Plan Commission Meeting Minutes - October 25, 2010

The Plan Commission Meeting Minutes of October 25, 2010 were presented to the City Council by Commissioner Wes Hoeffken. In addition, Mr. Hoeffken informed the Council that Commissioner Edith Dean was recuperating from an injury suffered at her home.

D. Community & Economic Development

The report and proposals were presented to the Council by Director Paul Ellis.

1. Ordinance to Authorize a Lease Agreement Between the City of Columbia, IL and J.W. Boyle & Co., Ltd., an IL Municipal Corporation, for the Lease of Improved Real Property Located at 132 S. Rapp Ave. in the City of Columbia, IL

No Action - Postponed.

2. Ordinance to Authorize the Assignment of the Hotel and Motel Accommodation Tax Rebate Financing Agreement between the City of Columbia and Columbia Hospitality Company, LLC to MMCP, LLC

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to pass and approve Ordinance No. 2817, An Ordinance to Authorize the Assignment of the Hotel and Motel Accommodation Tax Rebate Financing Agreement Between the City of Columbia and Columbia Hospitality Company, LLC to MMCP, LLC

Moved by: Roessler 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

3. Ordinance to Amend Ordinance No. 2790 Which Provided for the Appointment of Members of Certain Boards, Commissions and Committees of the City of Columbia, IL for the Fiscal Year of the City Commencing May 1, 2010 and Ending April 30, 2011. A mistake in section four of the ordinance regarding the name of an appointee to serve an unexpired term on the Tourism Advisory Committee was discussed and corrected.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to pass and approve Ordinance No. 2818, An Ordinance to Amend Ordinance No. 2790 Which Provided for the Appointment of Members of Certain Boards, Commissions and Committees of the City of Columbia, Illinois for the Fiscal Year of the City Commencing May 1, 2010 and Ending April 30, 2011.

Moved by: Hejna 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

4. American Legion Field Lease Agreement Update

Mr. Ellis updated the Council on the Lease Agreement and informed the Council that he and City Engineer Ron Williams had walked and inspected the property.

E. City Engineer/Department of Public Works

No Report.

F. City Attorney

City Attorney Terry Bruckert had no formal report.

G. Finance Department

1. Vouchers To Be Paid

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to authorize the payment of vouchers received through October 28, 2010; the total amount of the vouchers to be paid is two hundred forty-seven thousand, forty-four dollars and ninety cents (\$247,044.90).

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

H. Administration Department

1. Administrator's Report

The Administrator's Report was presented by City Administrator Al Hudzik.

2. Library Building and Equipment Tax Levy Resolution

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to pass and approve Resolution No. 11-2010, A Resolution to Levy a Tax of .02% of the Value of the Taxable Property in the City of Columbia, Illinois, for Columbia Public Library Building and Equipment Purposes for the Fiscal Year of the City Commencing May 1, 2010 and ending April 30, 2011.

Moved by: Agne Second: Row Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried 7 To 1

I. Mayor's Report

1. Mayor's Report

Mayor Hutchinson informed the Council that he would e-mail his report to members. The Mayor informed the Council that the crew of the USS Columbia will be in the City to participate in the upcoming Veterans Day celebrations.

Accept Department and Officers Reports

MOTION:

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

Moved by: Niemietz 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

V. OLD BUSINESS

1. Some discussion among Council members occurred regarding: i) a road for the Immaculate Conception construction and ii) street improvements adjacent to Columbia Center.
2. Alderman Stumpf and Alderman Hejna discussed the issue of a possible Economic Development Committee consisting of private citizens and elected officials and suggested that the topic be discussed in committee.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

Alderman Niemietz informed the Council of plans for moving the siren at McDannold Drive and Veterans Parkway. The cost of the project will be paid by the Oerter Foundation.

Accounting Manager Linda Sharp informed the Council that Accounting Specialist Maria Todd will resign as of December 31st and sought direction in filling the position.

VII. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

A. Finance, Claims, Bonds and Interest

1. Regular Session Minutes - October 25, 2010

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the Regular Session minutes of the Finance, Claims, Bonds and Interest Committee meeting held Monday, October 25, 2010 as on file at City Hall.

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

B. Fire Department

1. Regular Session Minutes - October 25, 2010

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the Regular Session minutes of the Fire Department Committee meeting held Monday, October 25, 2010 as on file at City Hall.

Moved by: Ebersohl Second: Agne 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. Committee of the Whole

1. Motion: Recommend to the City Council that the city accept the Reimbursement Agreement Settlement Offer made by Aaron Griffith (through his attorney) as recommended by the City Administrator and discussed in the Committee of the Whole Executive Session.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded that the city accept the Reimbursement Agreement Settlement Offer made by Aaron Griffith (through his attorney) as recommended by the City Administrator and discussed in the Committee of the Whole Executive Session on October 25, 2010.

Moved by: Stumpf Second: Hejna Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried 5 To 4

2. Regular Session Minutes - October 11, 2010

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Committee meeting held Monday, October 11, 2010 as on file at City Hall.

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

3. Regular Session Minutes - October 25, 2010

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Committee meeting held Monday, October 25, 2010 as on file at City Hall.

Moved by: Niemietz 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

4. Executive Session Minutes - October 25, 2010

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the Executive Session minutes of the Committee of the Whole Committee meeting held Monday, October 25, 2010 as on file at City Hall.

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

VIII. CALL FOR COMMITTEE MEETINGS - NOVEMBER 8, 2010

7:00 PM - Finance, Claims, Bonds and Interest - (1) Financial Projections - Capital Development Fund & Motor Fuel Tax Fund (2) Tax Levy Discussion

7:10 PM - License, Insurance Claims, CEMA and Contracts - Cable TV Franchise update

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

X. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to adjourn the Regular City Council Meeting held Monday, November 1, 2010 at 8:37 P.M.

Moved by: Agne 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



J. RONALD COLYER, CITY CLERK



K. B. HUTCHINSON
MAYOR KEVIN B. HUTCHINSON