

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA,  
ILLINOIS HELD MONDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2010 IN THE COUNCIL ROOM OF CITY HALL**

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**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Hutchinson, along with Mayors for the day Thomas and Bryan Gafe, called the City Council of Columbia, Illinois to order at 7:00 PM. Upon Roll Call, the following members were:

<b>Eberschl</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	<b>Hejna</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
<b>Agne</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	<b>Oberkfell</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
<b>Niemietz</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	<b>Stumpf</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
<b>Row</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent	<b>Roessler</b>	<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 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 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 type="checkbox"/> Assistant City Engineer Tim Ahrens	<input type="checkbox"/> Head Librarian Erica Pyle

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

**II. DELEGATIONS**

A. Mayor for the Day - Thomas Michael & Bryan Michael Gafe

Mayor Hutchinson presented certificates of Honorary Mayor for the Day to Thomas Michael Gafe and Bryan Michael Gafe.

B. Monroe Randolph Transit District

County Board Chairman Delbert Wittenauer updated the Council on recent Levee District developments and also touched on the activities and availability of the Health Department and the services that are offered.

Mr. Wittenauer introduced Jessica Pirtle of the Monroe Randolph Transit District who proceeded to describe the available services offered by the District to citizens of both Monroe and Randolph Counties.

**III. READ AND APPROVE MINUTES**

A. Regular City Council Meeting of November 15, 2010

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held Monday, November 15, 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, November 15, 2010, as on file at City Hall.

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

**IV. REPORT OF DEPARTMENTS/OFFICERS**

**A. Plan Commission Meeting Minutes - November 22, 2010**

Commissioner Dwayne Worley presented the Plan Commission Meeting minutes of November 22, 2010 to the City Council.

**B. Police Department**

**1. Discussion/Approval of City Participation in the Metro-East Auto Theft Task Force**

Police Chief Joe Edwards, Mayor Hutchinson and Council Members joined in discussing at length a proposal to send one Columbia police officer to the Metro-East Auto Theft Task Force and replace that officer by hiring an additional officer. The discussion included the number of officers on staff, the number of officers needed by the city and the financial arrangements and funding for the participating officer between the City and the Metro-East Auto Theft Task Force.

**MOTION:**

It was moved and seconded that the City approve Chief Edwards to assign an officer to the Metro-East Auto Theft Task Force.

Moved by: Niemietz      Second: Ebersohl      Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried      7 To 1

**C. Community & Economic Development**

**1. Ordinance to Authorize the Director of Community & Economic Development of the City of Columbia, Illinois to Proceed with the Grant Application Process for Two (2) Projects Through the Illinois Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Program**

**MOTION:**

It was moved and seconded to pass and approve Ordinance No. 2824, An Ordinance to Authorize the Director of Community & Economic Development of the City of Columbia, Illinois to proceed with the Grant Application Process for Two (2) Projects through the Illinois Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Program

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

**2. 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.**

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to pass and approve Ordinance No. 2825, 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: 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

3.      Status Report - 2010 Departmental Goals & Objectives

Community and Economic Director Paul Ellis presented the Council with a status report on the Department's goal, objectives and activities for the year 2010.

D.      City Engineer/Department of Public Works

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

1.      Approval of Purchase of Storm Sewer Materials for Milton Street Project

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the purchase of storm sewer materials for the Milton Street Project from County Materials and Independent Concrete Pipe Company.

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

2.      Release of Letter of Credit for Erosion and Siltation Control Work in Columbia Lakes IV

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to release the Letter of Credit for Erosion and Siltation Control Work in Columbia Lakes IV.

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.      Request for City to Accept Water Main to be Constructed

The property owner at 464 Gall Road sent a letter requesting that the City of Columbia take responsibility for maintaining the water main on the property.

The request was referred to the City's Water and Sewer Committee.

4. Hire of Part Time Employee for GIS Work - Eric Marlin

**MOTION:**

It was moved and seconded to approve the hiring of Mr. Eric Marlin for part time employment for GIS work, contingent upon the successful completion of pre-employment physicals, as well as state and federal background checks.

Moved by: Row 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

E. City Attorney

1. Ordinance Approving a Request from Mel and Agnes Stuckmeyer for a Zoning Amendment from Chapter 17.20, R-5 One Family Dwelling District to Chapter 17.10, A-1 Agricultural District of the City of Columbia Zoning Code

**MOTION:**

It was moved and seconded to pass and approve Ordinance No. 2826, An Ordinance Approving a Request from Mel and Agnes Stuckmeyer for a Zoning Amendment from Chapter 17.20, R-5 One Family Dwelling District to Chapter 17.10, A-1 Agricultural District of the City of Columbia Zoning Code

Moved by: Ebersohl      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

F. Finance Department

### 1. Vouchers To Be Paid

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to authorize the payment of vouchers received through December 2, 2010; the total amount of the vouchers to be paid is nine hundred thirty-six thousand, eight hundred eighty dollars and sixty-eight cents (\$936,880.68).

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

G. Administration Department

1. Administrator's Report

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

2. Police Pension Fund Board of Trustees Tax Levy Request Correspondence

Mr. Hudzik presented the Council with a letter from the Columbia Police Pension Board regarding the 2010 Tax Levy relating to the Columbia Police Pension Fund.

Mr. Hudzik discussed the letter and provided information regarding the City's tax levy as it relates to the Police Pension Fund. He also indicated that the letter and the tax levy would be discussed at an upcoming Finance Committee meeting.

3. Ordinance Renewing the Interim Cable Television Franchise Granted to Charter Communications Entertainment I, L.L.C. until January 14, 2011.

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to pass and approve Ordinance No. 2827, An Ordinance Renewing the Interim Cable Television Franchise Granted to Charter Communications Entertainment I, L.L.C. until January 14, 2011 Subject to the Conditions Herein

Moved by: Roessler      Second: Stumpf      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

H. Mayor's Report

1. Mayor's Report

No report presented.

Accept Department and Officers Reports

MOTION:

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

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

V. OLD BUSINESS

None.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

None.

**VII. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

A. Fire Department

1. Regular Session Minutes - November 22, 2010

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the Regular Session minutes of the Fire Department Committee meeting held Monday, November 22, 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

B. License, Insurance Claims, CEMA and Contracts

1. Regular Session Minutes - November 22, 2010

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the Regular Session minutes of the License, Insurance Claims, CEMA and Contracts Committee meeting held Monday, November 22, 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

C. Ambulance, Radio Communication and Dispatch

1. Regular Session Minutes - November 22, 2010

MOTION:

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the Ambulance, Radio Communication and Dispatch Committee meeting held Monday, November 22, 2010 as on file at City Hall.

Moved by: Stumpf      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

D. Personnel

1. Regular Session Minutes - November 22, 2010

MOTION:

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

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

**VIII. CALL FOR COMMITTEE MEETINGS - DECEMBER 13, 2010**

7:00 PM - Water and Sewer

7:10 PM - Fire Department - Fire District analysis/draft agreement update, review and discussion

7:20 PM - Finance, Claims, Bonds and Interest - Tax Levy presentation/discussion

7:30 PM - Ambulance, Radio Communication and Dispatch - Financial analysis - review and discussion

7:40 PM - License, Insurance Claims, CEMA and Contracts - (1) Liability Insurance coverage review/discussion (2) Cable TV update/discussion

7:50 PM - Personnel - Executive Session - Update/discussion on employee salaries

**IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None.

**X. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:**

It was moved and seconded to adjourn the Regular City Council Meeting held Monday, December 6, 2010 at 8:35 P.M.

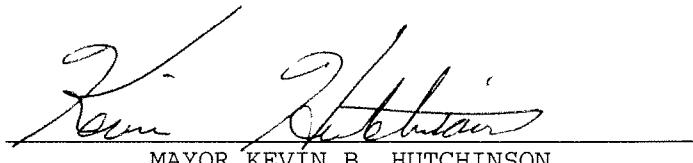
Moved by: Oberkfell      Second: Ebersohl      Vote: Roll Call

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

Motion Carried 8 To 0



J. RONALD COLYER, CITY CLERK



MAYOR KEVIN B. HUTCHINSON