

COLUMBUS COMMON COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2023

1. **Roll Call:** Mayor Arnold called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Present: Mayor Arnold, Council President Gray, Alders: Albright, Motiff, Reid, Roelke, Steiner; Staff: Ellefson, Goebel, Atty Johnson, Weiner, Bledsoe, Hazeltine, interested citizens.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Mayor Arnold led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **Notice of Open Meeting:** Noted as posted.
4. **Approve Agenda:** Motion by Gray, second by Motiff to approve the agenda. Carried voice vote.
5. **Correspondence & Communications (Public Comment):** None.

Consent Agenda: Motion by Steiner, second by Gray to approve the consent agenda. Carried voice vote.
Council & Committee of the Whole Minutes – 1/17/23, Approve Operator Licenses for 2022-2024 Licensing Period: Esli Barron, Griselda Barron, Andrew Fakes, Mary Muzzio, Sylvester Weisensel, Sarah Cutsforth, Justine Klomberg; Approve Temporary Class "B" (Picnic) License – St. Jerome Church, Consider Mayoral Appointments to Zoning Board of Appeals: Scott Rose to fill vacant position, expires 2023; Jahn Trava to fill unexpired term of Lietha, expires 2023.

New Business

1. **Consider & take action on bids – Folsom Street Reconstruction:** City Engineer reviewed the bids received for the Folsom Street Reconstruction project; 6 bids were received with Ptaschinski Construction, Inc with low bid at \$548,713.23 and supplemental unit of \$10,000 for rock excavating. Motion by Gray, second by Motiff to accept the low bid from Ptaschinski Construction, Inc. Roll call vote unanimous.
2. **Consider & take action on Plan Commission recommendation for CUP for motor vehicle wash at 204 Dix Street (Kwik Trip):** Motion by Steiner, second by Albright to approve the CUP for a car wash at Kwik Trip, 204 Dix Street. Carried voice vote.
3. **Consider & take action on Plan Commission recommendation for CSM for Kwik Trip parcels 1111.022 & 1111.040:** Motion by Motiff, second by Roelke to approve CSM for parcels 1111.022, 1111.040. Carried voice vote.
4. **Approve Stipend Policy for Part-time Fire Chief:** Motion by Gray, second by Motiff to approve stipend policy for the p/t Fire Chief. Roll call vote unanimous. The stipend includes: \$25/call outside normal work hours; \$25/up to four trainings or meetings each month. These expenses are outside the normal hours and duties.
5. **Consider changing February 21 & April 4 Council meetings due to Election Day:** Motion by Roelke, second by Reid to change the following Council meetings due to elections: Tuesday, February 21 Council meeting to Monday, February 20; Tuesday, April 4 Council meeting to Monday, April 3. Carried voice vote.
6. **Consider & take action on claims in the amount of \$ 1,223,147.27:** Motion by Albright to take action on claims in the amount of \$1,223,147.27, second by Gray to approve the claims in the amount of \$1,223,147.27. Roll call vote unanimous.
7. **Report of City Officers – City Administrator:** Snow is coming back – snow emergency is expected to be called starting Thursday morning; watch for alerts on social media and City's website; attended Governor's Conference on Economic Development; interviews for Deputy Clerk this week; Columbus does have a warming shelter, please contact Emergency Management if needed. **Mayor:** Goodbye to Deputy Clerk Jane Fude, best of luck at new job; accepting pool applications for 2023, deadline is April 1; vacancy on the Recreation Advisory Board – apply on the Mayor's page on the website; reminder the Senior Center is now called the Columbus Community Center; next Council meeting is Monday, February 20.
8. **Adjourn:** Motion by Motiff, second by Steiner to adjourn at 6:48 pm. Carried voice vote.

Submitted by:
Pat Goebel, City Clerk