

COLUMBUS COMMON COUNCIL – REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, APRIL 6, 2020 – 6:30 PM
COLUMBUS CITY HALL

1. **Roll Call:** Council meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Mayor Thom. Present: Mayor Thom, Alders Johnson, Reid, Ryan (via teleconference), Theilen (via teleconference), Traxler; Interim City Administrator Berner, City Attorney Johnson (via teleconference), City Clerk Goebel, City staff (via teleconference), interested citizens, and the media. Absent: Gray.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Mayor Thom led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **Notice of Open Meeting:** Noted as posted.
4. **Approve Agenda:** Motion by Traxler, second by Reid to approve. Carried voice vote.
5. **Correspondence & Communications**
 - *Due to the COVID-19 health crisis, City staff need to minimize attendance at the Council meeting in City Hall per Governor Evers' Directive. Citizens wishing to make public comment at the meeting, please call 312-626-6799 by 6:15 pm. All comments are limited to 3 minutes in length.*
No public comment.

Consent Agenda: Motion by Johnson, second by Ryan to approve the consent agenda. Carried voice vote. Council & Committee of the Whole Minutes – 3/24/20, Applications for Operator Licenses, term 07/01/19 – 06/30/21

New Business

1. **Consider & take action on Final Resolution #6-20 "Final Resolution Authorizing Public Improvements And Levying Special Assessments Against Benefited Properties":** Motion by Johnson, second by Theilen to approve Final Resolution #6-20. Roll call vote unanimous.
2. **Consider & take action on contract for Neuman Pools for continued work on pool leak:** Motion by Reid, second by Traxler to approve the contract with Neuman Pools to continue work on the pool leak. Roll call vote unanimous.
3. **Consider & take action on contract with Wing Three to remove asbestos at the Senior Center:** Motion by Traxler, second by Reid to approve the contract with Wing Three to remove asbestos flooring at the Senior Center. Roll call vote unanimous.
4. **Consider & take action on contract with Home Expressions to install new flooring at the Senior Center:** Motion by Reid, second by Traxler to approve contract with Home Expressions to install new flooring at the Senior Center. Roll call vote unanimous.
5. **Consider & take action on Task Order #2020-02 2020 STH 89 Sanitary Sewer Design with WisDOT Coordination:** Motion by Traxler, second by Ryan to approve Task Order #2020-02 for Hwy 89 with WisDOT. Roll call vote unanimous.
6. **Consider & take action on Task Order #2020-03 2020 Street Maintenance:** Motion by Traxler, second by Reid to approve Task Order #2020-03 for 2020 Street Maintenance. Roll call vote unanimous.
7. **Consider & take action on Task Order #2020-01 2020 Water Quality Trading Assistance:** Motion by Traxler, second by Ryan to approve Task Order #2020-01 for 2020 Water Quality Trading assistance. Roll call vote unanimous.
8. **Consider & take action on Water Quality Trading Service Agreement with Columbia County Land & Water Conservation Dept:** Motion by Johnson, second by Traxler to approve the Water Quality Service Agreement with Columbia County. Carried voice vote.
9. **Consider & take action on MOU agreement with Columbus Oddfellows Lodge #40 for butterfly garden:** Motion by Traxler, second by Reid to approve the MOU with Columbus Oddfellows for butterfly garden. Carried voice vote.

10. **Consider and take action on extension agreement for centrex (phone) services with AT&T:** Motion by Ryan, second by Reid to approve the extension agreement for centrex phone services with AT&T. Carried voice vote.
11. **Consider & take action to suspend the rules and approve an agreement for temporary accounting services:** Motion by Ryan, second by Traxler to suspend the rules for immediate consideration. Carried voice vote. Motion by Traxler, second by Ryan to authorize City Administrator to secure agreement for temporary accounting services. Carried voice vote.
12. **Consider & take action on claims in the amount of \$ 761,989.48:** Motion by Traxler, second by Reid to approve claims in the amount of \$761,989.48. Roll call vote unanimous.
13. **Report of City Officers – Interim City Administrator:** Berner announced this is his last meeting as new City Administrator/Treasurer will be taking over; thanked Council for the opportunity to serve the City of Columbus. Also thanked the management team and employees in these difficult circumstances, and to the Mayor for a great working relationship. **Mayor:** Thank you to Berner for his leadership and guidance in the interim. Thank you to Andy and Jason for their time on the Council and working together as team. City Administrator/Treasurer Kyle Ellefson started his position today, looking forward to working with Kyle. Ellefson reported he was excited to be here, looking forward to working through current circumstances and then moving forward and working with the team. Johnson thanked Interim Administrator Berner for his professionalism and was great to work with. Traxler thanked council members, staff, City Administrator, City Engineer, City Clerk for their hard work and welcome to Kyle in his new position.

Adjourn: Motion by Traxler, second by Ryan to adjourn at 7:34 pm. Carried voice vote.

Submitted by:
Pat Goebel, City Clerk