

**COLUMBUS COMMON COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, MAY 16, 2023 – 6:30 PM**

1. **Roll Call:** Mayor Hammer called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Present: Mayor Hammer, Alders: Finkler, Gray, Motiff, Reid, Roelke, Steiner; Staff: Ellefson, Goebel, City Attorney Johnson, City Engineer Lietha, Meyers, Chief Hazeltine, Bledsoe, Larson, Christensen, interested citizens.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Mayor Hammer led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **Notice of Open Meeting:** Noted as posted.
4. **Approve Agenda:** Motion by Gray, second by Roelke to approve the agenda. Carried voice vote.
5. **Correspondence & Communications:** Ruth Hermanson, 986 Warner Street spoke of concerns on shortage of money in the city.

Consent Agenda: Motion by Steiner, second by Gray to approve consent agenda. Carried voice vote.
Council & Committee of the Whole Minutes – 5/2/23, Consider Mayoral Appointments.
PFC: Marcus Meier to fill unexpired term of Theresa Sumnicht term to expire 2025
Plan Commission: Steve Hajewski - term to expire 2026 (re-appointment)
Plan Commission: Shelly Albright - term to expire 2024 (replaces 2nd alder)
Zoning Board of Appeals: Nate Anfinson - term to expire 2026
Senior Citizens Advisory: Michael Schultz - term to expire 2026 (re-appointment)
Recreation Advisory: Lisa Lawson - to fill unexpired term of Travis Heiman, term to expire 2025

New Business

1. **Consider & take action on Pickle Ball court donation:** Motion by Roelke, 2nd by Finkler to approve pickle ball court donation in the amount of \$10,000. Carried voice vote.
2. **Consider & take action on Pickle Ball painting:** Motion by Finkler, second by Motiff to approve painting the pickle ball courts. Carried voice vote.
3. **Consider & take action on Capital Streets Plan:** Motion by Motiff, second by Gray to approve the Capital Street Plan. Carried voice vote.
4. **Consider “Class A” alcohol licenses for Licensing period July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024:** Motion by Roelke, second by Finkler to approve “Class A” alcohol licenses for the Licensing period July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024. Carried voice vote.
Chestor Bandits Store d/b/a Chestor Bandits Store
Columbus Market LLC d/b/a Columbus Market
Dolgencorp LLC d/b/a Dollar General
Kwik Trip Inc d/b/a Kwik Trip #808
Ultra Mart Foods LLC d/b/a Pick N Save #6329
Walgreens Co d/b/a Walgreens #10396
5. **Consider Class “B” alcohol license for Licensing period July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024:** Motion by Steiner, second by Roelke to approve Class “B” alcohol license for the Licensing period July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024. Columbus Transport LLC d/b/a Kurth Brewery. Carried voice vote.

6. **Consider “Class B” alcohol license for Licensing period July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024:** Motion by Roelke, second by Reid to approve “Class B” alcohol licenses for the Licensing period July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024. Carried voice vote.
Jamesco Inc d/b/a The Cardinal Cage
Dubs Brew LLC d/b/a Cercis Brewing Co
Columbus Country Club d/b/a Columbus Country Club
Columbus Family Restaurant LLC d/b/a Columbus Family Restaurant
Kestrel Ridge Golf Properties d/b/a Kestrel Ridge Golf Course
MPs Town Tap LLC d/b/a MPs Town Tap
Liberty Square Gas Station, Inc d/b/a Refuel Pantry Columbus West
Tequilas Bar & Grill LLC d/b/a Tequilas Bar & Grill
7. **Consider “Class B” alcohol license for Licensing period July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024:** Motion by Motiff, second by Roelke to forward “Class B” alcohol license for Cardinal Lanes Columbus LLC d/b/a Cardinal Lanes to June 6, 2023 council meeting for further review. Carried voice vote.
8. **Consider “Class B” alcohol license for Licensing period July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024:** Motion by Motiff, second by Steiner to forward “Class B” alcohol license for Tea Time LLC d/b/a Tea Time Wine Bar & Bakery to June 6, 2023 council meeting for further review. Carried voice vote.
9. **Consider Tobacco Licenses for Licensing period July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024:** Motion by Finkler, second by Roelke to approve Tobacco licenses for the Licensing period July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024. Carried voice vote.
10. **Consider & take action on City Administrator’s Resignation:** Motion by Finkler, second by Steiner to accept City Administrator resignation. Carried voice vote with Motiff voting no.
11. **Consider & take action on Interim Administrator & Recruitment Services:** Motion by Motiff, second by Reid to approve Public Administration Associates, LLC for recruitment services & interim City Administrator. Roll call unanimous.
12. **Consider & take action on salary adjustments during Administrator vacancy:** Motion by Motiff, second by Gray to approve weekly stipend of \$75 starting the first pay period of June for the Assistant Administrator, Clerk, Treasurer, and HR Administrator to be reviewed when the new city Administrator is hired. Roll call unanimous.
13. **Consider & take action on claims in the amount of \$ 864,777.87:** Motion by Gray, second by Roelke to approve claims in the amount of \$864,777.87. Roll call vote unanimous.
14. **Report of City Officers – City Administrator:** Folsom Street update: driveway aprons were all poured, fine grating anticipated later this week, hopefully paving might be next week. Restoration letters going out soon, trees should be coming soon as well. County Avalon project potentially finishing up by next month. Seasonal positions are filling up. **Mayor:** Redbud Days Saturday, May 20. This year 5 boys & 3 girls registered for Redbud Prince & Princess. Mayor asks for citizens' patience with city staff while filling open positions.
15. **Adjourn:** Motion by Finkler, second by Roelke to adjourn at 7:01 pm. Carried voice vote.

Submitted by:

Michelle Christensen, Deputy Clerk