

**COLUMBUS COMMON COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2023**

1. **Roll Call:** Mayor Hammer called the Public Information meeting to order at 6:15 pm. Present: Mayor Hammer, Council President Roelke, Alders: Finkler, Gray, Motiff, Reid, Steiner; Staff: Wilson, Goebel, Atty Johnson, Larson, Chief Weiner, Meyers, 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 Motiff, second by Roelke to approve the agenda. Carried voice vote.
 5. **Correspondence & Communications:** Mike Belew, CBC DT LLC spoke about the Dollar Tree store.
- Consent Agenda:** Motion by Steiner, second by Finkler to approve the consent agenda. Carried voice vote with 2 nays. Council & Committee of the Whole Minutes – 9/5/23; Approve Operator Licenses for 2023-2025 Licensing Period: Stacy A Kelly, Robert M Poffenberger, Alyssa M Schultz; Consider Mayoral Appointments to the Utility Commission: Alder Finkler, Brook Andler - term to expire 2028

New Business

1. **Consider & take action on motion to amend the motion adopted by the Common Council on September 2, 2023 concerning the ordering of a Police squad:** Motion by Motiff, second by Gray to approve the amended motion to allow for the purchase of any Police squad. Roll call vote unanimous.
2. **Consider & take action on Resolution #9-23 Dodge County Library Tax Exemption – 2024:** Motion by Gray, second by Motiff to approve Resolution #9-23. Carried voice vote.
3. **Consider & take action on Resolution #10-23 Columbia County Library Tax Exemption – 2024:** Motion by Roelke, second by Motiff to approve Resolution #10-23. Carried voice vote.
4. **Consider & take action on refuse collection carts:** Motion by Gray, second by Motiff to purchase the carts from Columbia County. Roll call vote carried 4-3 with Motiff, Steiner, Gray, Hammer voting Yes and Reid, Roelke, Finkler voting No.
5. **Consider & take action on refuse bulk option:** Motion by Finkler, second by Roelke to include the additional bulk pick up with the new garbage contract. Roll call vote fails with Finkler & Roelke voting Yes and Reid, Steiner, Gray, Motiff voting No.
6. **Consider & take action on possible override of Mayoral veto of motion to adopt Resolution #8-23:** Mayor Hammer retracted his veto on Resolution #8-23.
7. **Consider & take action on claims in the amount of \$ 326,383.44:** Motion by Motiff, second by Gray to approve claims. Roll call vote unanimous.
8. **Report of City Officers – City Administrator:** CSM for the Dollar Tree store was approved by the Plan Commission; and they will be reviewing the site plan when it is received. **Mayor:** Condolences to the family of former Police Chief Gerry Sallmann, who passed away last week; attended the WPPI conference last week; please watch for kids walking to and from school.
9. **Adjourn:** Motion by Gray, second by Finkler to adjourn at 7:08 pm. Carried voice vote.

Submitted by:
Pat Goebel, City Clerk.