

**COLUMBUS COMMON COUNCIL – COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
TUESDAY, JANUARY 19, 2016 – 6:52 PM
COLUMBUS CITY HALL**

The Columbus Common Council held a Committee of the Whole meeting on Tuesday January 19, 2016 at 6:52 pm at Columbus City Hall. The meeting was called to order by Council President Thom and notice of open meeting was noted as posted. Present: Mayor Crombie, Council members Clark, Melotte, Reid, Rule and Thom, City Attorney Johnson, City Administrator Vander Sanden, City Clerk Donahue, interested citizens and the media. Excused Royem.

Motion by Clark second by Rule to approve the agenda. Hearing no objections, Chair Thom announced the agenda approved. There were no citizen comments on agenda items.

Department Reports were accepted as presented from the Senior Center, Fire Department, Police Department and the Website Update.

Recreation Director Meyers and Recreation Advisory Board Chair Adrian Shepard presented information on the “Kaboom” grant program that could be used to update the Washington Park and Meister Park playground equipment.

No recommendation was formed after a discussion on the existing ordinances requiring snow and ice to be removed from all city sidewalks after the end of a snow fall.

Consideration of a donation from the Columbus Area Agri-Business Council to the Columbus Fire Department will be referred to a regular meeting of the Council after the Agri-Business meeting.

Consideration of a reimbursement resolution for 2016 Bonds will continue at the next Committee of the Whole meeting, February 2, 2016.

Consideration of prepayment of the State Trust Fund loan in March of 2016 was referred to the next regular meeting of the Council, February 2, 2016.

The equipment to upgrade the cable control system was discussed and referred back to the Cable Commission.

Resolution 2-16, A Resolution Amending the Adopted Fee Schedule for Various Services, Permits and Applications Provided by the City was referred to the next regular meeting of the Council, February 2, 2016.

The Memorandum of Understanding for Nutrition Site at the Columbus Senior Center between the City of Columbus and Columbia County Commission on Aging was referred to the next regular meeting of the Council, February 2, 2016.

Discussion of special assessments for 2016 Street Projects continued from the previous meeting. Referred for final review to the next Committee of the Whole meeting, February 1, 2016.

The meeting adjourned to closed session at 8:47 pm on a motion by Clark second by Rule per ss 19.85(1)(e) deliberating or negotiating the purchase of public properties, the investment of public funds, or conducting other public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require specifically to consider fire station space needs. Motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote with Clark, Crombie, Melotte, Reid, Rule and Thom voting "Yes."

The meeting reconvene to open session at 9:20 pm on a motion by Clark second by Rule. Motion carried voice vote.

The meeting adjourn to closed session at 9:21 pm on a motion by Rule second by Clark per 19.85(1)(c) personnel to consider the employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility, specifically employee promotions and the emergency management position plan.

The meeting reconvened to open session at 9:35 pm on a motion by Melotte second by Clark. Motion carried voice vote.

The meeting adjourned at 9:36 pm on a motion by Clark second by Rule. Motion carried voice vote.

Anne Donahue
City Clerk