

**COLUMBUS COMMON COUNCIL – REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2016 – 6:30 PM
COLUMBUS CITY HALL**

The Columbus Common Council held a regular meeting on Tuesday September 6, 2016 at 6:30 pm at Columbus City Hall. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Crombie and notice of open meeting was noted as posted. Present: Mayor Crombie, Council members Hendrickson, Melotte, Reid, Rule, Thom and Traxler, City Attorney Johnson, City Administrator Vander Sanden, City Clerk Donahue, interested citizens and the media.

Mayor Crombie led the Council in the pledge of allegiance. Motion by Hendrickson second by Reid to approve the agenda. Motion carried voice vote.

Kevin White, President Columbus School Board and Annette Deuman, Columbus School Superintendent, were present to provide information on the School Board's new program "Launching a New Legacy" to be held in October. White asked the Council and district residents to attend the program community meetings which will be held October 8, 9 and 10 at Kestrel Ridge. White asked participants to commit to all three of the meetings. Information is on the Columbus School District's website www.columbus.k12.wi.us

A proclamation proclaiming August 5, 2016 as "Heather Miller-Koch Day" in Columbus was introduced by Mayor Crombie and read by Clerk Donahue. Motion by Traxler second by Rule to approve the proclamation. Motion carried voice vote.

The meeting adjourned to closed session at 6:39 on a motion by Hendrickson second by Traxler 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 purchase of land for economic development purposes, and to consider an amendment to the development agreement with Duffy Fleet Services LLC. Motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote with Hendrickson, Melotte, Reid, Rule, Thom and Traxler voting 'Yes.'

The meeting reconvened to open session at 7:10 pm on a motion by Thom second by Melotte. Motion carried voice vote.

Mayor Crombie presented the Consent Agenda. No items were asked to be removed from the Consent Agenda. Motion by Rule second by Melotte to approve the Consent agenda as presented. Motion carried voice vote.

City Administrator Vander Sanden updated the Council on the work at the Chapel Street Water Tower. Engineer Strauss has recommended additional work which Vander Sanden has run by the insurance carrier. The insurance carrier has agreed the additional work and cost would be covered. Hermanson Concrete and Masonry has indicated the additional work can be completed and Strauss has indicated inspected could occur if the work is completed this week.

Motion by Thom second by Melotte to approve the proposal from Hermanson Concrete & Masonry for additional repairs to the Chapel Street Water Tower in the amount of \$97,460. Motion carried 5-0 on a roll call vote with Hendrickson, Melotte, Reid, Thom and Traxler voting 'Yes' and Rule abstaining.

Motion by Hendrickson second by Traxler to authorize the City Administrator to allow the residents back into their homes once the tower is stabilized. Motion carried 5-0 on a roll call vote with Hendrickson, Melotte, Reid, Thom and Traxler voting 'Yes' and Rule abstaining.

No action was taken on the purchase of land from Magael of Madison for economic development purposes.

Motion by Thom second by Melotte to approve the amendment to the development agreement with Duffy Fleet Services LLC. Motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote with Hendrickson, Melotte, Reid, Rule, Thom and Traxler voting 'Yes.'

Motion by Rule second by Reid to Consider and take action on Library Board request for Mae Ward funds in the amount of \$475. Motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote with Hendrickson, Melotte, Reid, Rule, Thom and Traxler voting 'Yes.'

Motion by Traxler second by Melotte to accept the donation of the Eagle Scout project of Nick Raatz to install a bike repair stand in Washington Park, contingent upon Raatz working with PW Manager Clark on the location. Motion carried voice vote.

Motion by Rule second by Hendrickson to accept the donated fitness equipment for the Senior Center. Motion carried voice vote.

Motion by Melotte second by Thom to approve Revision #2, SMA with DOT for the James St Project, Industrial Drive to River Road parking restrictions will need an ordinance change Motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote with Hendrickson, Melotte, Reid, Rule, Thom and Traxler voting 'Yes.'

Motion by Thom second by Rule to approve the certified survey map to combine 550 and 570 River Road subject to final recommendations in the Ruekert Mielke letter dated 08/10/16. Motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote with Hendrickson, Melotte, Reid, Rule, Thom and Traxler voting 'Yes.'

Motion by Hendrickson second by Rule to approve the mayoral appointment of Sarah Sample to the Library Board to fill an unexpired term through 2019. Motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote with Hendrickson, Melotte, Reid, Rule, Thom and Traxler voting 'Yes.'

Motion by Melotte second by Traxler to grant operator licenses to Renate D Griswold, Natasha M Woodard, Keith Hillman, Sarah Altschwager and Jessica Holtz. Motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote with Hendrickson, Melotte, Reid, Rule, Thom and Traxler voting 'Yes.'

Motion by Thom second by Rule to approve payment of claims in the amount of \$817,515.89. Motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote with Hendrickson, Melotte, Reid, Rule, Thom and Traxler voting 'Yes.'

City Administrator Vander Sanden reported the STH 16/60 intersection project to install traffic lights continues and September 19 will close part of the intersection to put on a surface coat, alternate routes will be marked. The council will have an RFP for waste management to look at soon. The Senior Center Fall Festival fund raiser will be September 17.

Mayor Crombie reported the Fire Dept. has Columbus markings on the vehicle donated by Enbridge. The event for Heather Miller–Koch sponsored by her family and friends will be Sunday at the pavilion.

Items placed on file through the Consent Agenda:

Council Minutes – 08/11/16, 08/12/16, 08/16/16	Ad Hoc Financial Policies – 08/11/16
CWL – 07/14/16	Cable Commission – 02/15/16
Columbus Area EMS – 07/13/16	HLPC – 05/20/16, 08/10/16
Library Board – 07/19/16	Plan Commission – 06/19/16
Street Closing Request: Lions Club, Fall Festival, September 17, 2016	
Street Closing Request: Tri-County Oddfellows Lodge #40, 5k Run, 1m Walk, September 24, 2016, 2:00 pm	

The meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm on a motion by Rule second by Hendrickson. Motion carried voice vote.

Anne Donahue
City Clerk