

**COLUMBUS COMMON COUNCIL – REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, AUGUST 17, 2021 – 6:30 PM
COLUMBUS CITY HALL**

1. **Roll Call:** The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Mayor Arnold, Present: Mayor Arnold, Council President Gray, Alders: Albright, McCabe, Motiff, Pyfferoen, Reid; Staff: City Administrator Ellefson, Deputy Clerk Fude, City Attorney Johnson, City Engineer Lietha, Staff: Meyers, Lentz, Schreiber, Hammer; Chamber Representative Paula Steiner, and interested Citizens
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Mayor Arnold led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **Notice of Open Meeting:** Noted as posted.
4. **Approve Agenda:** Motion by Pyfferoen, second by Gray to approve the agenda. Carried voice vote.
5. **Correspondence & Communications**
Chamber Representative: Paula Steiner, 442 W. James Street regarding Small Business Saturday and Stop, Shop, Sip planned for November 27. Wanted to ask if they could proceed with this event. This year's theme will be the Roaring 20's. Council agreed to allow the Chamber to move forward with plans.
Consent Agenda: Motion by Motiff, second by McCabe to approve the consent agenda. Carried voice vote. Council and Committee of the Whole Minutes 8/2/21 and retreat 8/10/21, Approve Operator License for 2021-2023 Licensing Period: Stacy A Webber.

New Business

1. **Consider Mayoral appointment to the Library Board:** Motion by Gray, second by Reid to approve appointment of Dana Pike to the Library Board, term to expire 2024. Carried voice vote.
2. **Consider & take action on awarding bid for Crack Sealing:** Motion by Reid, second by Motiff to award bid from American Pavement Solutions Inc. in the amount of \$9,470.00 for crack sealing. Roll call vote unanimous.
3. **Consider & take action on awarding bid for Street Repair:** Motion by Motiff, second by Gray to award bid to Northeast Asphalt Inc. in the amount of \$46,046.00 for street repairs. Roll call vote unanimous.
4. **Consider & take action on SMFA Revision #3 & updated acquisition cost for Hwy 89/Farnham St.:** Motion by Pyfferoen, second by Gray to approve SMFA Revision #3 in the amount of \$22,800.00 for acquisition cost for Hwy. 89/Farnham St. Roll call vote unanimous.
5. **Consider & take action on date & time for Trick or Treating:** Motion by Gray, second by Motiff to approve setting Sunday, October 31 from 3:00 – 7:00 pm for Trick or Treating. Carried voice vote.
6. **Consider & take action on Ordinance #756-21 "An Ordinance To Repeal And Recreate Section 98-81 Of The City Code Of Ordinances Concerning Restricted Parking On Highways And In Residential Districts":** Motion by Gray, second by McCabe to approve Ordinance #756-21. Carried voice vote.
7. **Consider & take action on claims in the amount of \$201,554.14:** Motion by Pyfferoen, second by Albright to approve the claims in the amount of \$201,554.14. Roll call vote unanimous.
8. **Report of City Officers – City Administrator:** State population estimates are out. City of Columbus is at 5,193 for an additional 6 people from last year. Next will look at our districts to balance population in each. Communications and Multi Media Coordinator position interviews will be in the coming weeks. Department heads are submitting their budgets requests. It will be a very challenging budget year. Not seeing a lot of increasing even though they could use them, they are being very respectful of the limitations. Jerry, the Public Works Director, Jason Leitha the city engineer and myself met to go over the storm water management plan. Develop design as we move forward with the storm water utility and priorities. **Mayor:** Farmers Market has three weeks left and if you haven't already been there you should definitely check it out. Celebrated National Night Out, was a great event and turnout was amazing. It was a great opportunity to get to know your local law enforcement. Highly recommend if you didn't make it this year to go next year. Shout out to Officer Matt Schultz. I have a friend that made a point of calling me as Mayor that she had gone to the police department with a concern about a friend and he was extremely responsive and listened to her, helped reassure her and gave her some great advice. There was also a facebook post thanking them for their intervention of a struggling family. I just want to thank our police department for everything they do. School is starting and I ask that you please pay attention to speed zones. September 7th is the next council meeting. Wishing everyone a safe and happy holiday.
9. **Adjourn:** Motion by Gray, second by Motiff to adjourn at 6:51 pm. Carried voice vote.

Submitted by,
Jane Fude, Deputy Clerk