

MINUTES OF REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING

February 8, 2016

Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Rd. Romulus, MI 48174

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Pro Tem, John Barden.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Present: Kathleen Abdo, John Barden, Linda Choate, Harry Crout, Sylvia Makowski, Celeste Roscoe, William Wadsworth.

Administrative Officials in Attendance:

LeRoy D. Burcroff, Mayor

Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, City Clerk

1. Moved by **Crout**, seconded by **Makowski** to accept the agenda as amended. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

16-132 2A. Moved by **Wadsworth**, seconded by **Abdo** to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held on February 1, 2016. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

16-133 2B. Moved by **Makowski**, seconded by **Roscoe** to approve the special meeting minutes of February 1, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. – Public Hearing for the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) 2016/2017 Proposed Program Statement. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

3. Petitioner:

16-134 3A. Moved by **Wadsworth**, seconded by **Crout** to approve the request from Pearl Varner, on behalf of the Romulus Historical Society, to issue no-fee permits for the electrical, mechanical, plumbing, and interior carpentry at the Peter C. Byrd House at 12055 Wayne Rd. (which is owned by the City of Romulus) and the no-fee permits will be in effect until the restoration to the house is completed. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

4. Chairperson's Report:

Mayor Pro-Tem Barden announced the annual soul food dinner will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 9, 2016 at the Romulus Senior High School.

16-135 4(a). Moved by **Abdo**, seconded by **Crout** to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Daniel Purcell. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

16-136 4(b). Moved by **Choate**, seconded by **Makowski** to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Kathy Sandhurst. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

16-137 4(c). Moved by **Wadsworth**, seconded by **Crout** to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Samuel Hubbard Jr. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

16-138 4(d). Moved by **Wadsworth**, seconded by **Makowski** to schedule the annual no-fee spring city-wide yard/garage sale on Thursday, May 19th through Sunday, May 22, 2016 with rain dates – Thursday, June 2nd through Sunday, June 5, 2016. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

4. Moved by **Roscoe**, seconded by **Choate** to accept the Chairperson's Report. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

5. Mayor's Report:

Mayor Burcroff presented a video of upcoming community events and also announced that tickets for the mayor's ball may be purchased from the mayor's office. All proceeds from the ball will be donated to the Boys and Girls Club.

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16-139 5B. Moved by **Makowski**, seconded by **Abdo** to authorize the Romulus Fire Department to dispose of 1986 Ford F-350 Pierce Mini Pumper #314 through a third-party vendor, Fenton Fire Sales. The City will not incur any expense for the sale of this equipment. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

16-140 5C. Moved by **Roscoe**, seconded by **Wadsworth**, to authorize the Romulus Fire Department to dispose of the department's extra air filling station at station #2 through a third-party vendor, Fenton Fire Sales. The City will not incur any expense for the sale of this equipment. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

6A. Clerk's Report

16-141 6A1. Moved by **Makowski**, seconded by **Abdo** to schedule a study session on Monday, February 22, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. to discuss revisions to "Animals" and "Sidewalks" Code and Zoning Ordinances with City Attorney, Steve Hitchcock, and City Planner, Carol Maise. The meeting will be held in the Romulus City Hall Council Chambers. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

16-142 6A2. Moved by **Makowski**, seconded by **Roscoe** to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 15/16-15, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of February 1, 2016 **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

6B. Treasurer's Report

7. Public Comment

A resident inquired about a pipeline that has been approved by the State of Michigan that runs from Hannan Road to Wick Road. (Information will be posted on the City website.) A resident asked that the mayor look into the City of Romulus Water Department rules and regulations. A resident, representing other residents, made the following comments: Where does road funding come from? Answer: Act 51 funding. Are most roads in the City of Romulus county roads? Answer: No. Is the City of Romulus provided any type of warranties for road work that is done? Answer: No. Will there be any increase in water bills this year? Answer: City of Romulus purchases water from the City of Detroit. Resident commented on poorly constructed sidewalk in front of her house.

8. Unfinished Business

9. New Business:

10. Communication

Councilwoman Abdo announced that the Community United Methodist Church's Roast Beef Dinner will be held on Saturday, February 13, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. at the church on Olive St.

16-143 11. Moved by **Choate**, seconded by **Crout** to pay Warrant 16-03 in the amount of \$504,045.63.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

12. Moved by **Wadsworth**, seconded by **Roscoe** to adjourn the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

I, Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk for the City of Romulus, Michigan do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held on February 8, 2016.

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