

**MINUTES OF REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING
April 23, 2018**

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: Kathy Abdo, John Barden, Celeste Roscoe, Tina Talley, William Wadsworth, Eva Webb, Virginia Williams.

Administrative Officials in Attendance:

LeRoy D. Burcroff, Mayor

Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk

Stacy Paige, Treasurer

1. **Agenda** – Approval of ***Amended*** Agenda.
2. **Minutes**
 - A. Approval of the minutes from the regular meeting held April 9, 2018.
 - B. Approval of the minutes from the special (open) meeting held April 9, 2018:
DUWA and 2018/2019 City Budget.
3. **Petitioner**
4. **Chairperson’s Report, John Barden, Mayor Pro-Tem**
5. **Mayor’s Report – LeRoy D. Burcroff, Mayor**
 - A. ITB 17/18-21, Project #0155-17-0080 Middlebelt Road Water Main Improvements.
 - B. Senior Alliance Fiscal Year 2018 match.
 - C. Downriver Utility Wastewater Authority and Wayne County Definitive Transfer resolution approval.
 - D. Citizens Advisory Council appointments.
 - *E. Emergency repair – Pool South Air Handler Unit – RAC.*
- 6A. **Clerk’s Report – Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk**
 1. Second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-31.
 2. Joint study session request with City Council and the Planning Commission on May 14, 2018 at 6:45 p.m. to discuss Vining Road Development District Economic Strategic Plan.
 3. Request to approve the appointment of Attorney Lisa Robinson Martin as a Magistrate for the 34th District Court effective immediately.
- 6B. **Treasurer’s Report – Stacy Paige, Treasurer**
7. **Public Comment** – Citizens are to limit their comments to three (3) minutes. All citizens wishing to speak will be heard.
8. **Unfinished Business**
9. **New Business**
10. **Communication**
11. **Warrant 18-08** Checks presented in the amount of \$1,670,696.96.
12. **Adjournment**

1. Moved by **Talley**, seconded by **Abdo** to accept the agenda as amended.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes –Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth, Webb, Williams.

Nays – None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

- 18-135** 2A. Moved by **Wadsworth**, seconded by **Abdo** to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held on April 9, 2018.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes –Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth, Webb, Williams.

Nays – None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

18-136 **2B.** Moved by **Abdo**, seconded by **Roscoe** to approve the minutes of the special meeting of the Romulus City Council held on April 9, 2018 – open session, Downriver Utility Wastewater Authority Definitive Transfer Agreement and 2018/2019 City Budget.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth, Webb, Williams.
Nays – None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

3. Petitioner: None.

4. Chairperson’s Report:

4. Moved by **Roscoe**, seconded by **Talley** to accept the Chairperson’s Report.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth, Webb, Williams.
Nays – None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

5. Mayor’s Report:

Mayor Burcroff presented a video of upcoming City events.

18-137 **5A (1).** Moved by **Wadsworth**, seconded by **Roscoe** to concur with the administration and award Bid ITB 17/18-21 to the low bidder, D.V.M. Utilities, Inc., for water main improvements located along Middlebelt Road for the City of Romulus Department of Public Works in the amount of \$528,216.75.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth, Webb, Williams.
Nays – None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

18-138 **5A (2).** Moved by **Roscoe**, seconded by **Talley** to concur with the administration and authorize a ten percent (10%) (\$52,822) contingency to allow for written change orders in the event that unforeseen work not currently included in the scope of the work of the contract is identified.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth, Webb, Williams.
Nays – None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

18-139 **5B.** Moved by **Roscoe**, seconded by **Wadsworth** to authorize payment for the Senior Alliance 2018 Fiscal Year match for 2017 statistics in the amount of \$1,838.00.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth, Webb, Williams.
Nays – None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

18-140 **5C.** Moved by **Abdo**, seconded by **Webb** to concur with the administration and adopt a resolution authorizing the City’s representative to vote in favor of the purchase of the Downriver Sanitary Treatment system. The vote would be in favor of the acquisition of the system to control the City’s destiny with rates and costs of the City’s waste discharge for that district.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth, Webb, Williams.
Nays – None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

18-141 **5D.** Moved by **Wadsworth**, seconded by **Williams** to concur with the administration and reinstate the Citizens Advisory Council and reappoint Eva Webb and Sharon Walker; and, appoint Jodie Kain, Wayne Laginess, Gerald Wendland, and Heather Mahon to the DDA Plan Downtown Citizens Advisory Council.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth, Webb, Williams.
Nays – None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

18-142 **5E.** Moved by **Roscoe**, seconded by **Williams** to concur with the administration and authorize the City to waive the requirements of the Romulus Code of Ordinances (Section 39 and 6) regarding soliciting bids and publishing the invitation to bid in the City’s official newspaper and authorize the emergency repair/replacement of the Pool South Air Handler Unit at the Romulus Athletic Center by the current HVAC service contractor, Campbell, Inc. in the amount of \$61,120.00.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth, Webb, Williams.
Nays – None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

6A. Clerk’s Report:

18-143 **6A.** Moved by **Wadsworth**, seconded by **Webb** to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Warren Bonam.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth, Webb, Williams.
Nays – None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

18-144 **6A1.** Moved by **Abdo**, seconded by **Webb** to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-31, Technology Services Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of April 9, 2018.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth, Webb, Williams.
Nays – None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

18-145 **6A2.** Moved by **Roscoe**, seconded by **Webb** to schedule a joint study session with City Council and the Planning Commission on May 14, 2018 at 6:45 p.m. to discuss Vining Road Development District Economic Strategic Plan.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth, Webb, Williams.
Nays – None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

18-146 **6A3.** Moved by **Webb**, seconded by **Wadsworth** to concur with the recommendation of District Court Judge Tina Brooks-Green to appoint Attorney Lisa Robinson-Martin as a magistrate for the 34th District Court effective immediately.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth, Webb, Williams.
Nays – None.
Motion Carried Unanimously.

6B. Treasurer's Report: None.

7. Public Comment:

A resident spoke about trains being parked on the Wick Road railroad crossing for extended periods of time on a daily basis.

A resident who resides at Birch Run spoke about the illegal dumping of trash on nearby City property. Helen Gregory, from Romulus Civic League, spoke about the League's Sixth Annual 1k/2k Fitness Walk that will be held on Saturday, April 28, 2018 beginning with a warm-up at 9:30 a.m. and the walk to begin at 10:00 a.m.

A resident thanked City of Romulus Senior Services Director, Rose Swidan, for providing soup to the seniors during the recent power outage.

8. Unfinished Business:

Councilman Wadsworth thanked everyone who participated in the Pucks for Pets Animal Shelter fundraiser; and, thanked Chief of Police, Jadie Settles, for all his efforts in making the event a great success.

Mayor Burcroff informed that he is currently working with Huron Township Supervisor Glaab to devise a long-term solve to the train problem that motorists are experiencing in both communities.

Mayor Burcroff commented that he will check on the illegal dumping that is occurring at Birch Run; and, he also thanked Senior Services Director, Rose Swidan, for all her efforts to senior citizens during the recent power outage.

9. New Business: None.

10. Communication:

Councilman Wadsworth spoke about the May 11th Bowl-A-Thon fundraiser with proceeds to go to the Romulus Animal Shelter.

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11. Moved by **Abdo**, seconded by **Talley** to pay Warrant 18-08 in the amount of \$1,670,696.96.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth, Webb, Williams.

Nays – None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

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

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth, Webb, Williams.

Nays – None.

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 April 23, 2018.



Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, City Clerk
City of Romulus, Michigan