

**MINUTES OF REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
August 24, 2015**

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

Stacy Paige, Treasurer

Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk

**1. Agenda - Approval.**

**2. Minutes**

A. Approval of the minutes from the regular meeting held August 10, 2015.

B. No special meetings were held on August 10, 2015.

**3. Petitioner: None.**

**4. Chairperson's Report, John Barden, Mayor Pro-Tem**

**5. Mayor's Report – LeRoy D. Burcroff, Mayor**

A. Authorization for extension of RFP – 12/13-38; computer hardware/software, licensing and maintenance services vendor.

B. 2015 Pumpkin Festival and Rotary Parade of Lights road closure requests.

**6A. Clerk's Report – Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk**

1. Request to schedule a public hearing for Packspec, 8111 Middlebelt Road, to review their request for a tax abatement.

2. Request from Redford Twp. Clerk to adopt a resolution encouraging repeal of the Michigan Fireworks Safety Act of 2011.

**For Your Information:**

1. 2015 SDD and SDM Liquor License transfer – Nawal's Metro House, Inc.

2. Comcast – Addition of WJBK BUZZR (channel 292) and WDIV MeTV (channel 298) on The Limited Basic channel lineup.

**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 15-16** Checks presented for approval: \$1,322,433.49.

**12. Adjournment**

1. Moved by **Crout**, seconded by **Makowski**, to accept the agenda as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Abdo, Barden, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth.

Nays – None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

**15-293**      **2A.** Moved by **Makowski**, seconded by **Abdo** to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held on August 10, 2015.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Barden, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth.  
Nays – None  
Abstain – Abdo.  
Motion Carried.

**3. Petitioner:** None.

**4. Chairperson’s Report:**

**15-294**      **4A.** Moved by **Wadsworth**, seconded by **Crout** to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Ronald Dubsy.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Abdo, Barden, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth.  
Nays – None.  
Motion Carried Unanimously.

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

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Abdo, Barden, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth.  
Nays – None.  
Motion Carried Unanimously.

**5. Mayor’s Report:**

Cable Production Coordinator, Dennis Davidson, gave a list of upcoming events in the City of Romulus – Pumpkin Festival starts on September 18<sup>th</sup> with Bingo at the Senior Center, there is a complete list of events on local Channel 18.

**15-295**      **5A.** Moved by **Roscoe**, seconded by **Choate** extend bid award RFP 12/13-38 for twelve months (through July 22, 2016) for purchase of computers, computer hardware and software from both CDW Government LLC and Zones, Inc.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Abdo, Barden, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth.  
Nays – None.  
Motion Carried Unanimously.

**15-296**      **5B1.** Moved by **Wadsworth**, seconded by **Crout** to authorize the closure of Hunt Street between Goddard Road and Bibbins Street beginning at 8:00 a.m., the closure of Goddard Road between Moore Street and the railroad tracks beginning at 12:00 p.m. on Friday, September 18, 2015 and ending at 8:00 p.m. on Sunday, September 20, 2015.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Abdo, Barden, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe Wadsworth.  
Nays – None.  
Motion Carried Unanimously.

**15-297**      **5B2.** Moved by **Abdo**, seconded by **Roscoe** to authorize the closure of Tobine Road from the Romulus High School exit to Shook Road, Shook Road to Goddard Road ending at Five Points beginning at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, September 18, 2015 and re-opening at 10:00 p.m. Friday, September 18, 2015 for the Rotary Parade of Lights.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Abdo, Barden, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe Wadsworth.  
Nays – None.  
Motion Carried Unanimously.

**6A. Clerk's Report:**

**15-298**

**6A1a.** Moved by **Wadsworth**, seconded by **Abdo** to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Johnnie Mae Cole.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes –Abdo, Barden, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth.  
Nays – None  
Motion Carried Unanimously.

**15-299**

**6A1b.** Moved by **Crout**, seconded by **Roscoe** to adopt a resolution to recognize Jan Lemmon for her dedicated work as the Cemetery Board Chairperson.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes –Abdo, Barden, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth.  
Nays – None  
Motion Carried Unanimously.

**15-300**

**6A1c.** Moved by **Abdo**, seconded by **Wadsworth** to adopt a resolution to recognize Bill Crane for his contribution to the Romulus Memorial Cemetery.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes –Abdo, Barden, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth.  
Nays – None  
Motion Carried Unanimously.

**15-301**

**6A1d.** Moved by **Choate**, seconded by **Abdo** to adopt a resolution to recognize VFW Post 9568 for their contribution to the Romulus Memorial Cemetery.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes –Abdo, Barden, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth.  
Nays – None  
Motion Carried Unanimously.

**15-302**

**6A1.** Moved by **Choate**, seconded by **Makowski** to schedule a public hearing for Packspec, 8111 Middlebelt Road, on Monday, September 14, 2015 to review their request for an Industrial Facilities Tax Exemption Certificate.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes –Abdo, Barden, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth.  
Nays – None  
Motion Carried Unanimously.

**15-303**

**6A2.** Moved by **Wadsworth**, seconded by **Roscoe** to adopt a resolution requesting the repeal of the Michigan Fireworks Safety Act of 2011.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Abdo, Barden, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth.  
Nays – None  
Motion Carried Unanimously.

**6B. Treasurer's Report**

**7. Public Comment:**

A resident commented on the Citizen's Academy.  
Jan Lemmon, Chairperson, Cemetery Board, commented on the monument in the cemetery.

**8. Unfinished Business**

Councilman Wadsworth asked when Goddard Road (downtown area) would be completed.  
Mayor Burcroff is hopeful the downtown area will be completed by mid September.  
Councilwoman Abdo asked about the new swings at Mary Ann Banks Park, Mayor Burcroff informed that the swings are being replaced for safety purposes.

**9. New Business**

**10. Communication**

**15-304**

**11.** Moved by **Choate**, seconded by **Crout** to approve Warrant 15-16 in the amount of \$1,322,433.49.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes –Abdo, Barden, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth.  
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, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth.  
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 August 24, 2015.



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