

**MINUTES OF REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING
January 7, 2019**

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

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Councilwoman Pro Tem Tina Talley.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Kathy Abdo, Celeste Roscoe, Tina Talley, Eva Webb, William Wadsworth, Virginia Williams.

Excused: John Barden.

Administrative Officials in Attendance:

LeRoy D. Burcroff, Mayor

Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk

Stacy Paige, Treasurer

1. Agenda – Approval of Agenda.

2. Minutes

A. Approval of the minutes from the regular meeting held December 26, 2018.

B. No special meetings were held on December 26, 2018.

3. Petitioner

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

5. Mayor’s Report – LeRoy D. Burcroff, Mayor

A. Wayne Metro Community Action Agency – Water Residential Assistance Program (WRAP).

B. Downriver Community Conference Membership Dues.

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

1. Second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 18/19-19, General Fund.

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 19-01 Checks presented in the amount of \$1,169,790.04.

12. Adjournment

1. Moved by **Abdo**, seconded by **Webb** to accept the agenda as presented.

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

Nays – None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

19-001 **2A.** Moved by **Abdo**, seconded by **Roscoe** to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held on December 26, 2018.

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

Nays – None.

Abstain – Wadsworth.

Motion Carried.

3. Petitioner

4. Chairperson's Report

Councilwoman Pro Tem Talley sat in for Mayor Pro Tem Barden. She spoke about the ribbon cutting at Clean to the Bone Restaurant. She also spoke about how Mr. Bokon, from J. T. Towing, gave milk to residents after a truck carrying milk was involved in an accident.

The annual soul food dinner will take place on February 7, 2019.

Councilman Wadsworth spoke about the break-ins on Barth Road and that the suspect was arrested by Romulus Police.

- 19-002** **4A.** Moved by **Roscoe**, seconded by **Wadsworth** to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Luellar "Sarah" Steel.

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

Nays – None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

- 4.** Moved by **Roscoe**, seconded by **Abdo** to accept the Chairperson's Report.

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

Nays – None,

Motion Carried Unanimously.

5. Mayor's Report

Mayor Burcroff presented a video of upcoming City events.

- 19-003** **5A.** Moved by **Wadsworth**, seconded by **Webb** to concur with the administration and authorize the mayor and clerk to enter into an extension of the Water Residential Assistance Program (WRAP) Memorandum of Agreement with Wayne Metro Community Action Agency with the provision to terminate the agreement with a thirty-day written notice.

Discussion: Councilman Wadsworth commented that there is no list of criteria.

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

Nays – None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

- 19-004** **5B.** Moved by **Roscoe**, seconded by **Abdo** to authorize renewal of the Downriver Community Conference membership dues on an annual basis until such time the City no longer wishes to participate or budget for this expenditure.

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

Nays – None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

6A. Clerk's Report

- 19-005** **6A1 (a).** Moved by **Wadsworth**, seconded by **Roscoe** to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Geneva P. Hampton.

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

Nays – None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

19-006 **6A1.** Moved by **Abdo**, seconded by **Roscoe** to approve second reading and final adoption of Budget Amendment 18/19-19, General Fund – which was introduced at the Council meeting of Dec. 26, 2018.

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

6B. Treasurer’s Report

19-007 **6B1.** Moved by **Webb**, seconded by **Roscoe** to adopt a resolution to recognize former City of Romulus employee, Jeremy Taylor.

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

7. Public Comment

House Representative Alex Garza announced the hours at his Lansing office: Monday thru Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and his telephone number: 517-373-0852.

8. Unfinished Business

19-008 **8A.** Moved by **Williams**, seconded by **Abdo** to respond to citizens under Number 7 on the Agenda - Public Comment instead of Number 8 – Unfinished Business.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Abdo, Roscoe, Wadsworth, Webb, Williams.
Nays – Talley.
Motion Carried.

9. New Business

10. Communication

Councilwoman Abdo gave a reminder that tickets are still available (and can be purchased at the door) for the annual Drug Task Force Bowling fundraiser.

Councilwoman Williams announced that the 13th District quarterly meeting will take place on Saturday, January 12, 2019.

City Clerk, Ellen Craig-Bragg announced the Martin Luther King Day Celebration/Walk will take place on Monday, January 21, 2019.

19-009 **11.** Moved by **Abdo**, seconded by **Roscoe** to pay Warrant 19-01 in the amount of \$1,169,790.04.

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

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

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Abdo, 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 January 7, 2019.



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