

**MINUTES OF REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING
July 13, 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:

Robert Dickerson, Chief of Staff

Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk

Stacy Paige, Treasurer

Excused: Leroy D. Burcroff, Mayor

1. Agenda - Approval.

2. Minutes

A. Approval of the minutes from the regular meeting held July 6, 2015.

B. Approval of the minutes from the special meeting held July 6, 2015:

6:00 study session, PA 198 Plant Rehab District for 8111 Middlebelt Road and Brownfield Authority (BRA) Bylaws and appointment of new board members.

3. Petitioner: None

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

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

A. Request to approve Brownfield Redevelopment Authority.

B. Appointments to the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority.

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

1. PackSpec, 8111 Middlebelt Road, request to establish a Plant Rehabilitation District.

2. First reading of Zoning Ordinance Text Amendments, Section 3.06c, Commercial Vehicles.

Sections 8.02 Gas and Oil Wells; Vehicle Dismantling, Wrecking, Recycling and Sale of Parts; and Section 21.02, Enforcement.

3. Alley Vacation Request.

4. 2015 First Right of Refusal to purchase tax-foreclosed property in Wayne County.

5. First reading of amendments to Chapter 39, Sections 39.2, 39.8, 39.11, 39.12, and 39.13, Purchasing Ordinance.

For Your Information: None

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 15-13 Checks presented for approval: \$1,693,135.89

12. Adjournment

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

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

Nays – None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

15-249

2A. Moved by **Wadsworth**, seconded by **Abdo** to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held on July 6, 2015.

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

Nays – None

Abstain: Makowski.

Motion Carried.

15-250

2B. Moved by **Crout**, seconded by **Choate** to approve the minutes of the special meeting held on Monday, July 6, 2015: 6:00 p.m. Study Session, PA 198, Plant Rehab District for 8111 Middlebelt Rd., and Brownfield Authority (BRA) Bylaws and Appointment of new board members.

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

Nays – None.

Abstain: Abdo, Makowski.

Motion Carried.

3A. Petitioner: None

4. Chairperson's Report:

Reverend Willis requested a no fee- permit to close Ozga Road at Mary Ann Banks Park to the Romulus Middle School for the 1st Annual Family Health, Faith and Prayer Revival on August 8, 2015. The number to call for more information is 313-701-2423.

Mayor Pro Tem John Barden announced that the Household Hazardous Waste Collection for Wayne County residents will be held on August 15, 2015 at the Westland Shopping Center on Warren Road. He read a list of items that will be accepted on that day and he encouraged residents to call 734-326-5608 if they have any questions.

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4A. Moved by **Roscoe**, seconded by **Crout** to authorize a no-fee permit for the closure of Ozga Road at Mary Ann Banks Park to the Middle School football field on August 8, 2015 from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. for the purpose of the 1ST Annual Family Health, Faith and Prayer Revival fitness walk.

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

Nays – None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

4. Moved by **Roscoe**, seconded by **Makowski** 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:

Chief of Staff, Robert Dickerson gave the Mayor's report.

A Romulus resident asked if any TIFA, DDA, or City money would be used for the redevelopment of the property located on 8111 Middlebelt Road.

15-252

5A. Moved by **Makowski**, seconded by **Roscoe** to adopt a resolution “ Amended and Restated Bylaws of the City of Romulus Brownfield Redevelopment Authority” and to remove Article II, Section 9 of said bylaws.

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

Nays – None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

15-253 **5B.** Moved by **Abdo**, seconded by **Choate** to approve the following appointments to the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority with the terms to expire as described: Randy Moffat and Dean Trudeau, for a three year term to expire July 13, 2018; Jeffrey Mansfield and Daryl Jamieson for a two year term to expire July 13, 2017; Julie Allison for a one year term to expire July 13, 2016.

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

6A Clerk’s Report:

15-254 **6A1.** Moved by **Wadsworth**, seconded by **Makowski** to schedule a Public Hearing for PackSpec’s request to establish a Plant Rehabilitation and Industrial Development District. The meeting will be held in the City Hall Council Chambers on Monday July 27, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

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

15-255 **6A2.** Moved by **Roscoe**, seconded by **Wadsworth** to approve first reading of Zoning Ordinance Text Amendments, Section 3.06C, Commercial Vehicles; Section 8.02, Gas and Oil Wells; Vehicle Dismantling, Wrecking, Recycling and Sale of Parts; and Section 21.02, Enforcement.

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

15-256 **6A3.** Moved by **Roscoe**, seconded by **Makowski** to withdraw item 6A3 from the agenda.

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

15-257 **6A4.** Moved **Choate**, seconded by **Makowski** to concur with the Property Disposition Committee to not purchase any of the properties included on the Wayne County Treasurer’s 2015 “First Right of Refusal to Purchase Tax-Foreclosed Property in Wayne County.

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

15-258 **6A5.** Moved by **Wadsworth**, seconded by **Crout** to approve first reading of amendments to Chapter 39, Sections 39.2, 39.8, 39.11, 39.12, and 39.13, Purchasing Ordinance.

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

6B. Treasurer’s Report:

City Treasurer, Stacy Paige, announced that tax bills went out and were forwarded to the mortgage companies. She also announced that if residents have questions, they may call the Treasurer’s office at 734-942-7580.

7. Public Comment:

1. A resident commented on the fireworks that were set off on his block and he suggested that an ordinance be passed that would impose penalties for illegal fireworks.
2. Jadie Settles, Public Safety Director, addressed traffic complaints made by a resident on Beverly Road.
3. A resident asked a question about the tax bill.

8. Unfinished Business:

Councilman Wadsworth asked about the date for the completion of the Goddard Road construction project. He also inquired about the completion date for the construction in the downtown area.

Roberto Scappaticci, Director of the Department of Public Works (DPW), responded to Councilman Wadsworth with a completion date for Goddard Road set for Mid-September and the downtown area to be completed by August 30, 2015.

Councilwoman Abdo inquired about when the City will have a grocery store downtown. Tim Keyes, Director of Economic Development, responded that hopefully a grocery store will be open by Thanksgiving of 2015.

Councilman Barden asked Director Keyes what the status is on the outlet mall. Mr. Keyes responded that two federal approvals need to be obtained before ground can be broken for the project. At this time, there is no definitive completion date.

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- 9.** Moved by **Abdo**, seconded by **Wadsworth** to adopt a resolution for Mr. Russell Woinowsk in celebration of his 100th Birthday.

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

Nays – None.

Motion Carried Unanimously

10. Communication:

Councilman Crout commented that Helping Hands is in need of food supplies.

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- 11.** Moved by **Choate** seconded by **Crout** to approve Warrant 15-13 in the amount of \$1,693,135.89.

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

Nays – None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

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

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 July 13, 2015.



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