

**MINUTES OF REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
June 25, 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, Eva Webb, Virginia Williams.

**Excused:** William Wadsworth..

**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 June 11, 2018.

**B.** Approval of the minutes from the special open meeting held June 11, 2018:  
7:00 p.m. Study Session, City Quarterly Investment Report.

**3. Petitioner**

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

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

**A.** Power DMS Contract – Romulus Police Department.

**B.** SAFEbuilt, LLC/LSL – Planning on-going services contract.

**C.** No-fee permit – Elmer Johnson’s Horseshoe Pits.

**D.** No-fee permit – Historical Park Pavilion.

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

**1.** Approval for demolition of structures & removal of all debris on Demolition List 18-01 and resolution to let for bids for a demolition contractor.

**2.** New water and sewer rates to be effective July 5, 2018.

(No action is required unless Council disapproves of the new water and sewer rates, pursuant to Sections 62-405 and 62-406 of the City of Romulus Code of Ordinances.

**3.** Request for a public hearing on Monday, July 23, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. for demolition of a tabled item on Demolition List 18-01 (35606 Bibbins).

**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 18-12** Checks presented in the amount of \$1,595,089.17

**12. Adjournment**

**1.** Moved by **Talley**, seconded by **Roscoe** to accept the agenda as presented.

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

Nays – None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

**18-214**     **2A.** Moved by **Abdo**, seconded by **Talley** to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held on June 11, 2018.

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

**18-215**     **2B.** Moved by **Roscoe**, seconded by **Talley** to approve the minutes of the special meeting of the Romulus City Council held on June 11, 2018 – open study session – City Quarterly Investment Report.

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

**3. Petitioner: None.**

**4. Chairperson’s Report**

**18-216**     **4A.** Moved by **Williams**, seconded by **Webb** to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Brigitte Denise Johnson.

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

**18-217**     **4B.** Moved by **Talley**, seconded by **Webb** to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Gloria Dean McPhail-Denham.

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

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

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

**5. Mayor’s Report:**

Mayor Burcroff presented a video of upcoming City events.

**18-218**     **5A.** Moved by **Roscoe**, seconded by **Talley** to concur with the administration and authorize the mayor and clerk to waive the bid requirements and enter into the Software Service Agreement with Power DMS, Inc., with a one-time fee for the training of this cloud-based platform of \$1,500.00 and the annual reoccurring costs of Power DMS in the amount of \$4,480.00. (Police Captain Monte explained the internal use of the software.)

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

**18-219**     **5B.** Moved by **Webb**, seconded by **Roscoe** to concur with the administration and authorize the mayor and clerk to enter into the extended Professional Services Agreement between the City of Romulus and SAFEbuilt, LLC/LSL Planning, to continue to provide on-going and as-needed planning consultant services to the City.

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

**18-220**     **5C.** Moved by **Abdo**, seconded by **Roscoe** to concur with the administration and authorize a no-fee permit to the Horseshoe Club for the use of Elmer Johnson Park’s Horseshoe Pits every Wednesday through August 31, 2018 from 4:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

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

**18-221**     **5D.** Moved by **Abdo**, seconded by **Webb** to concur with the administration and authorize a no-fee permit for the use of the Historical Park Pavilion on August 25, 2018 from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. for a back-to-school rally for the community hosted by Pastor Daniel Young of Freedom Christian Worship Center of Romulus.

Discussion: Councilwoman Webb informed that the event is open to the community and free school supplies will be given out.

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

**6A. Clerk’s Report:**

**18-222**     **6A1 (a).** Moved by **Roscoe**, seconded by **Talley** to approve demolition of the structures and removal of all debris at the following locations on Demolition List 18-01 as presented at the public hearing held on Monday, June 25, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.:

1. 35911 Bibbins (Single-Family Residential Structure)
2. 36773 Bibbins (Single-Family Residential Structure & Garage)
3. 9035 Grover (Single-Family Residential Structure, Two Sheds)
4. 35865 Vinewood (Single-Family Residential Structure with Attached Garage)

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

**18-223**     **6A1 (b).** Moved by **Abdo**, seconded by **Roscoe** to table the property from Demolition List 18-01 located at 37511 Huron River Drive for up to 90 days with the condition that the City is reimbursed to cover costs incurred and payment of a \$5,000 cash bond to be released upon completion.

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

**18-224** **6A1 (c).** Moved by **Webb**, seconded by **Roscoe** to let for bids for a demolition contractor for demolition and removal of all debris for properties listed on Demolition List 18-01.

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

**18-225** **6A2.** Moved by **Williams**, seconded by **Webb** to reject the new water and sewer rates to be effective July 5, 2018.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Abdo, Webb, Williams.  
Nays – Barden, Roscoe, Talley.  
Motion Failed.

**18-226** **6A3.** Moved by **Roscoe**, seconded by **Talley** to schedule a public hearing on Monday, July 23, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. for demolition of a tabled item on Demolition List 18-01 (35606 Bibbins).

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

**6B. Treasurer’s Report:**

Tax bills will be mailed out on June 29, 2018.

**7. Public Comment:**

A resident who lives on Gateway Drive spoke about the parking situation in front of his home.  
Three citizens announced their candidacy to run for public office.  
Three citizens spoke in favor of medical marijuana.  
A resident spoke against medical marijuana.  
A resident spoke in favor of supporting the Romulus Schools and teachers.  
A resident, who supports the Public Safety Millage, asked for more information about the millage.  
A resident commented on development in the City.  
A resident who lost everything in a fire at West Village Estates asked about possible resources to help rebuild.  
A resident commented on the politicking at the meeting.  
A resident commented on the Woodland Meadow Public Hearing.

**8. Unfinished Business:**

The elected officials informed that they did not receive information regarding the Woodland Meadows Public Hearing and had they known they would have attended the meeting.

**9. New Business: None**

**10. Communication:**

Councilwoman Tina Talley spoke about the ribbon-cutting ceremony for the City Centre on Tuesday, June 26, 2018.  
City Clerk Ellen Craig-Bragg announced that the absentee ballots will be mailed out on Wednesday, June 27, 2018.

**18-227** 11. Moved by **Abdo**, seconded by **Talley** to pay Warrant 18-12 in the amount of \$1,595,089.17.

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

Nays – None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

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

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, Talley, 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 June 25, 2018.



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