MINUTES OF REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING **February 2, 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, Mayor

Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, City Clerk

Stacy Paige, Treasurer

- Agenda Approval. 1.
- 2. Minutes
 - **A.** Approval of the minutes from the regular meeting held January 26, 2015.
 - **B.** Approval of the minutes from the special meeting held January 22, and January 26, 2015: Jan. 22nd – 5:30 p.m. – study session, Neighborhood Street Improvements. Jan. 26th - 7:00 p.m. – public hearing, Proposed Program Statement for FY 2015-2016 CDBG Program.
- 3. Petitioner: None.
- Chairperson's Report, John Barden, Mayor Pro-Tem 4.
- 5. Mayor's Report - LeRoy D. Burcroff, Mayor
 - **A.** Alliance Downriver Watersheds (ADW) By-Laws Amendments.
- Clerk's Report Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk
 - 1. Second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 14/15-13, general fund.

For Your Information: None.

- Treasurer's Report Stacy Paige, Treasurer 6B.
- **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
- Adjournment 11.
 - 1. Moved by Crout, seconded by Makowski to accept the agenda as presented.

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

Navs - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

15-041 2A. Moved by Makowski, seconded by Roscoe to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held on January 26, 2015.

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

Navs – None.

Abstain – Wadsworth.

Motion Carried.

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2B. Moved by **Abdo**, seconded by **Crout** to approve the minutes of the special meeting held on January 22, 2015, 5:30 p.m. study session, Neighborhood Street Improvements and January 26, 2015 7:00 p.m. public hearing, Proposed Program Statement for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program.

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

Navs - None.

Abstain - Makowski, Wadsworth.

Motion Carried.

3. Petitioner: None.

4. Chairperson's Report:

Mayor Pro-Tem John Barden announced the Wayne County Household Hazardous Waste Collection, for dates and times, call 734-326-3936.

The annual soul food dinner will be held at Romulus Senior High School on Feb. 10th at 6:00 p.m.

4A. Moved by **Roscoe**, seconded by **Crout** 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:

Mayor Burcroff asked Public Services Director, Bob McCraight, to bring everyone up to date regarding snow removal. Mr. McCraight informed that the City is under a snow emergency. Trash pick-up is one day behind schedule due to the snow storm.

Black History Month Recognition Breakfast will be held at the RAC on Tuesday, Feb. 17th at 9:00 a.m. Children's Underground Railroad Program will be held at Romulus Library on Tuesday, Feb. 17th at 6:30 p.m. (for children ages 4 and up.)

Black History Student Showcase, Thursday, Feb. 26th at 7:00 p.m. at Romulus High School; \$5.00 for showcase ticket; \$20.00 for VIP ticket, includes soul food dinner in Eagles Nest prior to event. Chief of Staff, Robert Dickerson, spoke about the RAC memberships that were negotiated with the Teamsters employees; the memberships are a taxable benefit.

15-043

5A1. Moved by **Wadsworth**, seconded by **Crout** to recognize February, 2015 as Black History Month in the City of Romulus.

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

Navs - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

15-044

5A. Moved by **Wadsworth**, seconded by **Abdo** to adopt a resolution to amend the Bylaws of the Alliance of Downriver Watersheds (ADW) (and to include the correction to Article 2.C.1.)

Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Abdo, Barden, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth Nays - None

Motion Carried Unanimously.

6. Clerk's Report:

15-045

6A1. Moved by Choate, seconded by Roscoe to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 14/15-13, general fund, in the amount of \$5,000 which was introduced at the Council meeting of January 26, 2015.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Abdo, Barden, Choate, Crout, Makowski, Roscoe, Wadsworth. Navs – None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

6B. Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer, Stacy Paige, reminded everyone that taxes are due on Tuesday, Feb. 17, 2015.

7. Public Comment:

None.

- 8. Unfinished Business:
- 9. New Business

10. Communication:

Councilman Crout and Mayor Pro-Tem Barden commented on the great job the DPW workers did clearing the roads during the snow storm.

11. Moved by Wadsworth, seconded by Crout 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 February 2, 2015.

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

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