

**MINUTES OF REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING
September 8, 2014**

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

Stacy Paige, Treasurer

Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, City Clerk

1. Agenda – Approval.

2. Minutes

A. Approval of the minutes from the regular meeting held September 2, 2014.

B. Approval of the minutes from the special meeting held September 2, 2014:

7:00 p.m. study session, Amendment to City of Romulus Pension Ordinance.

3. Petitioner: None.

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

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

A. Smart Municipal Agreement, Fiscal Year 2015.

B. Wayne County Hazard Mitigation Plan.

C. Request for moratorium – oil and gas-related activities in the City of Romulus.

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

1. Second reading, final adoption of City of Romulus Pension Ordinance.

2. Study session request for September 22, 2014 to discuss 4th quarter investments.

3. Study session request for September 22, 2014 to discuss Communication Site (cell tower) Lease Agreement Amendment.

4. Request approval for revisions to Fire Department Fee Schedule.

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 14-17 - Checks presented for approval: \$1,262,909.99

12. Adjournment

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

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

Nays – None.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

14-370 **2A.** Moved by **Wadsworth**, seconded by **Abdo** to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held on September 2, 2014.

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

14-371 **2B.** Moved by **Makowski**, seconded by **Roscoe** to approve the minutes of the special meeting of the Romulus City Council held on September 2, 2014, 7:00 p.m. study session, amendment to City of Romulus Pension Ordinance.

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

3. Petitioner: None.

Chairperson’s Report:

Mayor Pro-Tem Barden asked Mark Lewkowicz to share information regarding the 1974 Romulus High School Class Reunion to be held at the Progressive Hall on Saturday, September 27, 2014. Boy Scout leader, Wayne Laginess, announced the Boy Scouts pancake breakfast will be held during the Pumpkin Festival on Saturday and Sunday from 8:00 a.m. until noon.

4. Moved by **Choate**, 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:

Mayor Burcroff commended the DPW department, fire and police departments for a fine job during the recent storm; also, Rose Swidan, Senior Services Director, for cooking food to have available at the senior center after the storm. City Hall and DPW employees had a chili cook off and employees paid money to wear their favorite sports shirts with the money being donated to families in need. Suzanne Moreno, from city hall, and Lori Covert from DPW won the “golden ladle” award for the best chili.

14-372 **5A1.** Moved by **Wadsworth**, seconded by **Crout** to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Jeff Wensko.

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

14-373 **5A.** Moved by **Wadsworth**, seconded by **Makowski** to concur with the administration and authorize the mayor and clerk to enter into agreements for the community credit program and the local transit program between SMART and the City of Romulus for the 2015 fiscal year.

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

14-374 **5B.** Moved by **Makowski**, seconded by **Roscoe** to adopt the Wayne County five year Hazardous Mitigation Plan dated August 5, 2013.

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

14-375 **5C.** Moved by **Wadsworth**, seconded by **Makowski** to adopt a resolution for a moratorium on issuance of permits for oil and gas-related activities in the City of Romulus.

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

6A. Clerk’s Report

14-376 **6A1.** Moved by **Abdo**, seconded by **Crout** to approve second reading, final adoption of Amended Ordinance Chapter 38, Appendix B, City of Romulus Pension Plan.

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

14-377 **6A2.** Moved by **Makowski**, seconded by **Roscoe** to schedule a study session on September 22, 2014 at 5:45 p.m. to discuss 4th quarter investments. The meeting will be held in the Romulus City Hall Council Chambers.

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

14-378 **6A3.** Moved by **Roscoe**, seconded by **Crout** to schedule a study session on September 22, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. to discuss Communication Site (cell tower) Lease Agreement Amendment. The meeting will be held in the Romulus City Hall Council Chambers.

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

14-379 **6A4.** Moved by **Makowski**, seconded by **Wadsworth** to approve revisions to the Fire Department Fee Schedule due to the new fees necessary for the implementation of the City billing agreement with AccuMed.

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

6B. Treasurer’s Report:

Treasurer Stacy Paige announced that city taxes are due by September 30, 2014 at 4:00 p.m.

7. Public Comment:

Resident commented that she is pleased with the current road improvements being done in Romulus.

8. Unfinished Business

9. New Business:

14-380

9A1. Moved by **Makowski**, seconded by **Wadsworth** to adopt a resolution to recognize Vira Makowski on her 93rd birthday.

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

14-381

9A2. Moved by **Roscoe**, seconded by **Makowski** to adopt a resolution to recognize Pastor Edward Thomas, Jr. on his 70th birthday.

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

10. Communication:

Council Wadsworth announced Bingo will be held at the Pumpkin Festival on Friday at 6:00 p.m. Saturday- 2:00 p.m. and Sunday 1:00 p.m. with proceeds going to the Romulus Animal Shelter. (Pumpkin Festival will be Sept. 19 thru Sept 21.)
City Clerk, Ellen Craig-Bragg, gave a reminder that the Parade of Lights route has changed – the parade starts at the high school then goes down Tobine to Shook Road to Goddard Road to the Progressive Hall.

14-382

11. Moved by **Choate**, seconded by **Makowski** to approve Warrant 14-17 in the amount of \$1,262,909.99.

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 September 8, 2014.



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