

**MINUTES OF REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING
June 2, 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, Celeste Roscoe, William Wadsworth.

Excused: Sylvia Makowski.

Administrative Officials in Attendance:

LeRoy D. Burcroff, Mayor

Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk

Excused: Stacy Paige, Treasurer

1. ***Amended* Agenda** – Approval.
2. **Minutes**
 - A. Approval of the minutes from the regular meeting held May 27, 2014.
 - B. Approval of the minutes from the special meetings held May 27, 2014:
6:00 p.m. closed session – pending labor matters.
6:30 p.m. study session – policies and procedures.
3. **Petitioner**
 - A. Denise Roberson, 6358 Dexter, road closure request for block party.
4. **Chairperson’s Report, John Barden, Mayor Pro-Tem**
5. **Mayor’s Report – LeRoy D. Burcroff, Mayor**
 - A. Bid award 13/14-18; grass mowing services, Romulus Cemetery and Downtown Alley City Property.
 - B. Appointments to the Beautification Committee.
 - C. Housing Commission alternate appointment.
 - * D. Bid Award 13/14-17: Voice/Data Backbone.*
- 6A. **Clerk’s Report – Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk**
 1. Second reading, final adoption – budget amendment 13/14-18; community block grant.
 2. Second reading, final adoption – budget amendment 13/14-19, general fund.
 3. Study session request to discuss Goddard Rd. reconstruction project.
- 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. **Adjournment**

1. Moved by **Roscoe**, seconded by **Abdo** to accept the agenda as amended.

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

14-208

2A. Moved by **Wadsworth**, seconded by **Abdo** to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held on May 27, 2014.

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

14-209

2B. Moved by **Wadsworth**, seconded by **Crout** to approve the minutes of the special meetings of the Romulus City Council held on May 27, 2014: 6:00 p.m. closed session, pending labor matters and 6:30 p.m. study session, policies and procedures.

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

14-210

3A. Moved by **Wadsworth**, seconded by **Crout** to grant a no-fee permit to Denise Roberson of 6358 Dexter for a block party and to close Martin Place and Dexter St. to Horace Jackson on July 4, 2014 from noon until midnight.

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

Chairperson's Report:

Mayor Pro-Tem John Barden announced that Wayne County Household Hazardous Waste Collection will be held on Saturday, June 28, 2014 at Henry Ford Community College in Dearborn from 8 a.m. until noon. For further information, call 734- 326-3936.

Congressman John Conyers had remarks and listed the 12 cities he represents in the 13th Congressional District.

4. Moved by **Choate**, seconded by **Roscoe** to accept the chairperson's report.

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

Mayor's Report:

14-211

5A. Moved by **Roscoe**, seconded by **Choate** to concur with the administration and award Bid 13/14-18 for the service of mowing and weed control application at the Romulus Memorial Cemetery (*\$425 per cut and \$525 per weed control application*), and the City-owned portion of the downtown alley (*\$25 per cut and \$28 per weed control application*) to the lowest bidder, Premier Professional Landscaping at the per cut and per weed control application prices for the 2014 mowing season.

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

14-212 **5B.** Moved by **Wadsworth**, seconded by **Crout** to concur with the administration and appoint Cheryle Buckley, Romulus resident; Charles Lindenmuth, Romulus resident; Chris Dunn, Romulus resident; Edna Talon-Jemison, Romulus resident; Heather Mahon, Romulus resident; Doug O’Leary, Romulus business owner; and Samer Sulieman, Romulus business owner to the Beautification Committee with all terms to expire on June 2, 2015.

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

14-213 **5C.** Moved by **Choate**, seconded by **Roscoe** to concur with the administration and appoint Keith Boc, Assistant DPW Director, to serve as Robert McCraight’s alternate on the City of Romulus Housing Commission with a concurrent term to expire on February 26, 2016.

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

14-214 **5D.** Moved by **Roscoe**, seconded by **Wadsworth** to concur with the administration and award Bid 13/14-17 for a 36 month contract to the lowest qualified bidder, Clear Rate Communications, for the installation of the Clear Flex Ethernet with MLPS with 50 Mbps Internet at city hall at a cost of \$4,979 per month for the duration of the 36 month contract.

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

14-215 **6A1.** Moved by **Choate**, seconded by **Roscoe** to approve second reading and final adoption of Budget Amendment 13/14-18, Community Block Grant – introduced at the Council meeting of May 27, 2014.

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

14-216 **6A2** Moved by **Choate**, seconded by **Roscoe** to approve second reading and final adoption of Budget Amendment 13/14-19, General Fund – introduced at the Council meeting of May 27, 2014.

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

14-217 **6A3** Moved by **Wadsworth** seconded by **Roscoe** to schedule a study session on Monday, June 9, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. to discuss the Goddard Road reconstruction project. The meeting will be held in the Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI 48174.

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

7. Public Comment:

Resident commented on Beautification Committee.
Resident commented on digging that Gas Co. did in front of her house.

8. Unfinished Business

Councilwoman Abdo commented that the Charlie Lau memorial sign is located at another entrance to the high school; however, the memorial sign that was above the scoreboard is down.

Mayor Burcroff suggested that the DPW make a new sign to place above the scoreboard.

Councilwoman Abdo will inform the school that a new sign is forthcoming.

9. New Business

10. Communication

Councilwoman Roscoe inquired as to who will cut the grass and what would it cost for the DPW workers to do the mowing.

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

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Abdo, Barden, Choate, Crout, 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 June 2, 2014.



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