

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN
December 16, 2008

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Warson Woods was held on Tuesday, December 16, 2008 at the City Hall, 10015 Manchester Road. The following members of the Board were present:

Mayor E. William Bergfeld, Jr.
George Bruenning
Mike Dell'Orco
Gordon Gosh
Mark Wittich
Judith Pohl
Larry Howe

Absent: Mike Andrews
David Aitken

Also present were City Attorney, Paul Rost, Treasurer, Bill O'Neil, Chief Robert Stanczak, City Clerk/Collector, Kathy Mahany, Building Commissioner Dan Wilson, City Engineer Ken Lichtenheld, and Park Commissioner, Linda Schweigert. The Mayor called the Meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Alderman Aitken arrived at 7:02 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MINUTES

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Alderman Gosh moved, seconded by Alderman Howe, that the Minutes be accepted as submitted. Alderman Pohl discussed deleting Christmas Eve under the Mayors comments as a holiday in the employee benefits manual as it was never intended to be included. With the correction, On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

NON PROFIT POLICE FUND MEETING—December 9, 2008

Alderman Pohl moved, seconded by Alderman Howe, that the Minutes be accepted as submitted. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT—November 2008

Alderman Gosh moved, seconded by Alderman Pohl that the Treasurer's report be received as submitted. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

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BILLS AND RECURRING DISBURSEMENTS TO BE APPROVED

Alderman Pohl moved, seconded by Alderman Gosh, that the Bills with the Addendum be approved as submitted. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

GLENDALE FIRE REPORT—No action required.

WARSON WOODS POLICE REPORT—No action required.

PETITIONS, REQUESTS AND COMPLAINTS-No action required.

COLLECTOR—Kathy Mahany, nothing to report.

BUILDING COMMISSIONER—Dan Wilson reported that 3 final inspections were made during the month no new permits were issued and 3 applications for permits are being processed. Lastly he stated he made an inspection on the residence on Bennett by Rohan Woods School and all the violations have been corrected.

PARK COMMISSIONER—Linda Schweigert reported that she met with the tennis pro and he requested information regarding next season be included in the next newsletter.

CITY ENGINEER—Ken Lichtenheld reported the street project for this year has been completed with the exception of the joint sealing which will be done this spring. There are also 2 driveways which need to be replaced. This will happen in the spring also. At this time Alderman Howe commented that the finished product is excellent. The City Engineer thanked him for the comment.

CITY ATTORNEY—Paul Rost, nothing to report.

TREASURER—Bill O'Neil stated we would discuss the audit report later in the meeting.

MAYOR— E. William Bergfeld, Jr. reported the old Walgreens space will now be a carpet store. The deal with the Kirkwood library has not gone through. Next he discussed the lateral sewer repair program and rising cost. It was decided to gather more information and discuss it during the January 2009 Regular Board Meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

Misc. Old Business- Alderman Pohl asked if anyone heard why the warning signs in the creek in Ladue are missing. The Mayor answered that he contacted the City of Ladue and they told him if any are missing the City did not authorize the removal.

Next Alderman Bruenning stated that we are working on several options regarding the recycling bin project.

NEW BUSINESS

Leaf Ordinance Enforcement

The Mayor discussed changing the way the residents are notified of the removal of leaves. It was decided to put notification in the newsletter, have signage posted with the phone number for a recorded message regarding the ordinance requirements and sending out letters to residents who may be in violation of the ordinance giving them a time limit to have the leaves removed. And as a final resort, a summons would be issued to those who do not comply.

Audit Response Approval

Treasurer Bill O'Neil stated that the auditors have made the following comments and with the approval of the Board he will answer their comments in the Cities response letter;

- 1) The City needs to update our Fraud detection program. This was done last year by our City Attorney.
- 2) The City needs an accounting manual. The City has taken this into consideration and found it to be too costly.
- 3) The City needs to change how the permit deposits are tracked. The City will make this change.
- 4) The City needs to update our investment policy. He is currently working on this.

Alderman Gosh moved, seconded by Alderman Pohl to allow the Treasurer to answer these comments in the Cities response letter. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Recycling Grant

Previously discussed.

MISC. NEW BUSINESS

Alderman Wittich asked why the trash was not picked up yesterday. It was explained that the trucks did not go out on Monday because of the weather. They will be on a holiday schedule for the rest of the week.

Chief Stanczak informed the Board that the department applied for a \$9,000.00 grant for new radios and a new camera for the car. We received \$4,482.00 so the department will be purchasing 3 new radios with the money. Next he said Officer Taylor has had his yearly evaluation and it is his recommendation that Officer Taylor's pay increase from Step 7 to Step 8. Alderman Pohl moved, seconded by Alderman Wittich to increase Officer Taylor's pay from Step 7 to Step 8. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Adjournment

Alderman Aitken, seconded by Alderman Wittich, the meeting is adjourned. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved. The meeting closed at 7:25 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Mahany, City Clerk

E. William Bergfeld, Jr., Mayor