

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN
September 16, 2008

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

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

Absent:

Also present were City Attorney, Paul Rost, City Clerk/Collector, Kathy Mahany, Chief Robert Stanczak, Acting Building Commissioner and City Engineer Ken Lichtenheld, and Park Commissioner, Jerry Murphy. The Mayor called the Meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Alderman Aitken arrived at 7:01 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MINUTES

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

WARSON WOODS POLICE FUND, INC. MEETING—August 19, 2008

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

TREASURER'S REPORT—July 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 Wittich 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

At this time the Mayor made an Agenda change.

Mayor Bergfeld read a Proclamation to Elijah P. Cunningham for his 15 years of service to the City of Warson Woods as Building Commissioner.

COLLECTOR—Kathy Mahany, nothing to report.

ACTING BUILDING COMMISSIONER—Ken Lichtenheld reported that 5 permits were issued for the month for a total of \$178,000.00. There was one denial for noncompliance at 571 Geders Lane.

PARK COMMISSIONER—Gerry Murphy reported that the contractor has filled in the cracks in the tennis courts and he is in the process of restriping the courts now. And lastly that Gamma Tree Service will be coming out to clean out the rest of the creek shortly. He then took a moment to thank the Board for allowing him to continue being the Park Commissioner for the past 9 years.

CITY ENGINEER—Ken Lichtenheld reported that the street work for 2008 will begin the 30th of September. The contractor has 45 days to complete the work. Next he reported on a meeting that was held with H.R. Green, the Mayor and members of the pool board. He said the consensus was to try and divert storm water overflow into Memorial Park. The cost to divert the water would be between 5 and 8 thousand dollars. The bottom line was unless the pool spent 180 to 200 thousand dollars there really is no remedy for the pool flooding. And with this it would only allow no more than a 15 year flood. After discussion, Alderman Wittich moved, seconded by Alderman Howe to do the grading work to divert the water into Memorial Park. Next he said he spoke to MSD about repairing the gabion wall in the creek. MSD told him it was too expensive for MSD's maintenance budget, but they would take it under advisement. He then reported that the repair work needed at 601 Flanders would cost \$7,380.00. Alderman Andrews moved, seconded by Alderman Pohl to go ahead with the work. On Voice Vote the motion was unanimously approved. He then said there was not too much damage in the park from this weekend's storm. The Police Chief asked if we could sod the exposed areas. He was told to go ahead and plant the sod. Alderman Pohl asked if Warson Woods Drive was scheduled for repair and he answered yes it is.

CITY ATTORNEY—Paul Rost, nothing to report
TREASURER—Bill O’Neil, absent .

MAYOR— E. William Bergfeld, Jr. discussed contracting with a company for emergency messaging to the residents. He stated he would gather more information on the program for the Board. Next he discussed making a small contribution to the St. Louis County Municipal League for help in education the residents on Prop. H. Alderman Gosh moved, seconded by Alderman Pohl to send the St. Louis County Municipal League .20 cents per resident for educating the residents on Prop. H. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

OLD BUSINESS

Alderman Howe discussed housing commercial vehicles in the residential districts. It was decided not to take any action at this time.

Misc. Old Business-Nothing to report.

NEW BUSINESS

Appointment of and Swearing in of new Building and Park Commissioners and the Appointment of two new members to the Board of Adjustment Commission. Alderman Gosh moved, seconded by Alderman Howe to appoint Mike Lewis and Barb Wittich to the Board of Adjustment Commission.

At this time Linda Schweigert, Dan Wilson, Barb Wittich and Mike Lewis took their respective oaths of office.

Ordinance Adopting a Relocation Policy. Alderman Wittich moved, seconded by Alderman Andrews, that Bill 1484 was read two times, after a short discussion Bill No. 1484 becomes Ordinance No. 1429.

By Roll Call the Vote was as follows:

	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Not Present
Dell’Orco	<u> X </u>	_____	_____	_____
Andrews	<u> X </u>	_____	_____	_____
Gosh	<u> X </u>	_____	_____	_____
Bruenning	<u> X </u>	_____	_____	_____
Pohl	<u> X </u>	_____	_____	_____
Howe	<u> X </u>	_____	_____	_____
Wittich	<u> X </u>	_____	_____	_____
Aitken	<u> X </u>	_____	_____	_____

The Ordinance was announced passed. 8-0

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Ordinance Extending the Snow Removal Contract. Alderman Wittich moved, seconded by Alderman Howe, that Bill 1485 was read two times, becomes Ordinance No. 1430.

By Roll Call the Vote was as follows:

	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Not Present
Gosh	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____
Andrews	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____
Dell’Orco	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____
Bruenning	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____
Pohl	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____
Howe	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____
Wittich	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____
Aitken	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____

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MISC. NEW BUSINESS

Alderman Pohl Thanked Steve Arterbury and the Police for clearing the mess from the tree off Warson Woods Drive so promptly.

Alderman Andrews said he had a request from a resident on Andrew to close the street for a block party on Halloween night. The Chief of Police said he would look into it and call him tomorrow.

Alderman Gosh stated he is working on identifying and having removed all the dangerous trees in the City.

Mayor Bergfeld then directed everyone’s attention to the new park benches in the board room. He said the City is dedicating them to Ken Lichtenheld, City Engineer and Elijah Cunningham, Building Commissioner for their years of dedication and service to the City.

Alderman Wittich stated the plans for the Fall Festival are moving along. They also thanked Sgt. Green for his help with cleaning up after Sunday’s storm. Lastly he stated a resident approached him about people walking down the wrong side of the road.

Chief Stanczak discussed the step increase for Det. Giacobelli. Alderman Pohl moved, seconded by Alderman Andrews to give Det. Giacobelli his step increase. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Adjournment

Alderman Howe moved, , seconded by Alderman Wittich, the meeting is adjourned. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved. The meeting closed at 8:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Mahany, CMC, MRCC
City Clerk

E. William Bergfeld, Jr.,
Mayor