

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN  
March 17, 2009

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Warson Woods was held on Tuesday, March 17, 2009 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  
Larry Howe  
Mike Andrews  
Judith Pohl

Absent: 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, and City Engineer, Ken Lichtenheld. The Mayor called the Meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MINUTES

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

TREASURER'S REPORT—February 2009

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

BILLS AND RECURRING DISBURSEMENTS TO BE APPROVED

Alderman Howe moved, seconded by Alderman Pohl, 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

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COLLECTOR—Kathy Mahany, nothing to report.

BUILDING COMMISSIONER—Dan Wilson reported that two permits were closed out, two new were issued and two are in review at this time. There was one denial that will most likely request a board of adjustment hearing. There were also two complaints, one of which was resolved. There will be a letter going out tomorrow regarding 1509 Bennett yard waste. A short discussion was held. Alderman Howe asked what the status was with the old open permits. Mr. Wilson stated we are in the process of trying to contact the owners at this time.

PARK COMMISSIONER—Alderman Gosh stated several trees along Warson Woods Drive are marked for taking down. The weeping cherry at Sundial Park has been pruned correctly and the sundial has been positioned for daylight savings time. There are three trees at Bennett and Rear which pose a threat to the power lines. He stated he will contact Ameren or Scott Properties to have them trimmed. There is also a tree behind the police station which needs trimming because of the power lines. Lastly he drew everyone's attention to copies of the letters he is sending to both schools regarding Arbor Day which will be held April 18, 2009. Alderman Andrews stated the roots of the trees along Warson Woods Drive are exposed. Chief Stanczak stated Steve is going to add gravel to the soil to help hold the soil in.

CITY ENGINEER—Ken Lichtenheld reported on four items. First, regarding the curbs at the top of the park on the Scott's property which was discussed last month, he has been in contact with Benz & Parks about sending a proposal to the Swim Club about repairing them and building a wall at the pool. Second, the broken curb at Andrew and Manchester, he would like to add that to the street bid package for this season. Alderman Pohl asked about the pot hole in the same area. Mr. Lichtenheld stated Steve could fix that. Third, the retention area in Memorial park needs fertilizing. Chief Stanczak stated that Steve seeded and fertilized it today. He then stated Benz & Parks will fix the gully and put netting around the hill area. Lastly he said he would like to start the street inspections for the bid package and he asked the Aldermen to inspect their wards for needed repairs.

CITY ATTORNEY—Paul Rost, nothing to report.

TREASURER—Bill O'Neil commented that three CD's have been purchased with much better interest rates than our sweep account has at ¼%. One was for 3 months another for 6 months and the third will mature in December all having interest rates over 1%. Alderman Pohl asked who makes those decisions. Mr. O'Neil said our investment policy dictates how we invest with either his or Kathy's execution.

MAYOR— E. William Bergfeld, Jr., nothing to report

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OLD BUSINESS

Resolution to apply for a Municipal Recycling Cart Grant. Introduced by Alderman Bruenning. After the resolution was read and a short discussion was held and Alderman Howe left the meeting at 7:18 p.m., Alderman Bruenning moved seconded by Alderman Pohl to apply for the Municipal Recycling Cart Grant. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously received 6-0. Alderman Howe re-joined the meeting at 7:20 p.m.

MISC. OLD BUSINESS—Nothing to report.

NEW BUSINESS

St. Louis County Helmet Ordinance.

A discussion was held regarding the need to adopt a Helmet Ordinance. No action was taken.

Ordinance Entering into a contract with Managed Work Services of St. Louis for the Public Works Part Time Employee. Alderman Wittich moved, seconded by Alderman Gosh, that Bill 1492 was read two times, after a short discussion, Bill No. 1492 becomes Ordinance No. 1437.

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. 7-0

Ordinance Amending Section 215.140 “Offences” Alderman Gosh moved, seconded by Alderman Howe that Bill 1493 was read two times, after a discussion Bill No. 1490 becomes Ordinance No. 1438.

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>	_____	_____	_____

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Bill No. 1493 Cont.

Pohl	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____	_____
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Howe	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>
Wittich	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>
Aitken	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>  X  </u>

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**MISC. NEW BUSINESS**

Alderman Pohl reminded everyone of the upcoming Personnel Committee meeting on April 14, 2009.

Alderman Andrews stated that in the May issue of St. Louis magazine, Warson Woods was voted one of the best places to live. We also were voted one of the best places to live in their February 2001 edition.

Chief Stanczak discussed a step increase for Officer Waisner. Alderman Pohl moved, seconded by Alderman Wittich to increase Officer Waisner to his next step. On Voice Vote the motion was unanimously approved.

Alderman Gosh discussed the request of the Court Clerk to attend the Spring Conference and to split the cost with the City of Oakland. Alderman Gosh moved, seconded by Alderman Andrews to send the Court Clerk to the Spring Conference and split the cost with the City of Oakland. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

**Adjournment**

Alderman Wittich, seconded by Alderman Andrews, the meeting is adjourned. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved. The meeting closed at 7:47 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Mahany, City Clerk

E. William Bergfeld, Jr., Mayor