

## REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN

September 29, 2020

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Warson Woods was held on Tuesday, September 29, 2020 at the City Hall, 10015 Manchester Road. Upon roll call, the following members of the Board were reported present:

Mike Dell’Orco  
George Dorris  
Hannah Mayer  
Dawn Bickford  
Charles Luisetti

Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, and in accordance with the provisions of the Missouri Sunshine Law, §610.020, RSMo., the Board of Aldermen of the City of Warson Woods recognizes it may be impractical for its meeting to be physically accessible to the public during this time therefore this meeting was also held by Online Video. Mayor Howe and Alderpersons Pfyl and Newman were present via Video as well as resident Pat Flood, 402 Flanders Dr. City Attorney Paul Rost, Treasurer Jim Malik and Chief of Police Bob Stanczak were present in City Hall as well as Park Commissioner Gordon Gosh. Mayor Howe called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Alderman George Bruenning were excused.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### PUBLIC HEARING

A) *Establishing the 2020 Real Estate and Commercial Tax Rates.*

Mayor Howe opened the Public Hearing at 7:01 p.m. Hearing no comments, the Mayor closed the Public Comments at 7:03 p.m.

Category	Tax Rates 2019	Proposed Tax Rates 2020	Increase/Decrease
Residential	\$ 0.2910	\$ 0.2910	0.0
Agricultural	\$ -		
Commercial	\$ 0.3600	\$ 0.3600	0.0
Assessed Valuation	Prior Tax Year -- 2019	Current Tax Year -- 2020	Increase/Decrease
<b>Real Estate</b>			
Residential	\$ 68,448,380	\$ 68,708,250	\$ 259,870.00
Agricultural	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Commercial	\$ 9,154,544	\$ 9,316,714	\$ 162,170
<b>Total Real Estate</b>	<b>\$ 77,602,924</b>	<b>\$ 78,024,964</b>	<b>\$ 422,040</b>
<b>Personal Property*</b>	<b>\$ 6,774,894</b>	<b>\$ 6,727,718</b>	<b>\$ (47,176)</b>
<b>New Improvements</b>			
<b>New Construction</b>	<b>\$ 291,649</b>	<b>\$ 281,300</b>	<b>\$ (10,349)</b>
<b>Adjusted A/V</b>	<b>\$ 84,086,169</b>	<b>\$ 84,471,382</b>	<b>\$ 385,213</b>

## APPROVAL of the AGENDA

Alderman Pfyl moved, seconded by Alderman Newman, that the Agenda be approved as submitted. On Voice Vote the motion was unanimously approved.

## MINUTES

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Alderman Dell’Orco moved, seconded by Alderman Mayer, the minutes be accepted as submitted with the correction on page 2, should read “sanitary” not “storm” sewer. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

## TREASURER’S REPORTS—August 2020

Alderman Pfyl moved, seconded by Alderman Dell’Orco, that the Treasurer’s report not be accepted as submitted but to wait until a revised report is submitted at the October meeting. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved. Alderman Mayer questioned the Police Salaries being \$14,000 over budget. The Chief answered it is due to overtime.

## BILLS & RECURRING DISBURSEMENTS WITH THE ADDENDUM

Alderman Luisetti moved, seconded by Alderman Mayer, that the Bills and Recurring Disbursements, without an Addendum, be approved as submitted. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

GLENDALE FIRE REPORT- July 2020—No action required.

WARSON WOODS POLICE REPORT - July 2020—No action required.

PETITIONS, REQUESTS AND COMPLAINTS-At this time Pat Flood, 402 Flanders Dr., asked the Board when the lights will be turned on for night tennis play. The Mayor said for the foreseeable future there will be no change. The Chief said St. Louis County has all parks closing at sunset and Warson Woods follows the St. Louis County guidelines. The Mayor then said that he will check with St. Louis County to see if they are planning any changes.

## MISC. REPORTS.

COLLECTOR—Kathy Mahany was excused.

BUILDING COMMISSIONER—Dan Wilson was excused.

PARK COMMISSIONER—Gordon Gosh began by saying cleaning of the parks for fall and winter is ongoing. He went on to say that he is looking for equipment to install in the Bennett & Flanders park. If anyone has any ideas please let him know. He would like to have a plan by this Spring. At this time Alderman Pfyl stated that the new plantings at the entrance at Bennett and Manchester look nice.

CITY ENGINEER (ACTING)—Mike Dell’Orco began by informing everyone that shoulder repairs will be done on October 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> along Warson Woods Dr. Sealing work will begin on Saturday October 10<sup>th</sup> and concrete work will begin on October 19<sup>th</sup>. Residents will not have to mover their cars unless there is an orange or white spot on the concrete. He then went on to say they are working on a solution for the Dearborn Bridge. They may need to make the channel deeper with MSD moving the sanitary sewer line at Dearborn Dr. to allow channel to go deeper.

Lastly, he said that he has been helping out with the building zoning and permits and that most of the backlog has been cleared out.

CITY ATTORNEY—Paul Rost reminded everyone that the second yard waste pick up will begin on October 17<sup>th</sup> and continue through December 5<sup>th</sup>.

TREASURER—Jim Malik informed everyone that the Finance Committee meeting scheduled for September 24<sup>th</sup> did not take place but they do have a budget to project at a future meeting.

MAYOR—Larry Howe had no report at this time but he does have items for the Closed Session. Also, the Fall Festival has been canceled.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Misc. Old Business-Nothing to report.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Ordinance Levying and Imposing an Ad Valorem Tax for Calendar year 2020 for General Municipal Purposes. After being read two times by title only, Alderman Luisetti moved, seconded by Alderman Dell’Orco, that Bill No. 1697 becomes Ordinance No. 1640.

By Roll Call the Vote was as follows:

	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Not Present
Dell’Orco	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____	_____
Dorris	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____	_____
Bruenning	_____	_____	_____	<u>  X  </u>
Mayer	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____	_____
Pfyl	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____	_____
Newman	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____	_____
Luisetti	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____	_____
Bickford	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____	_____

The Ordinance was announced passed 7-0.

- B. Resolution No. 09292020A. Authorizing the Mayor to Enter into an Agreement with Hochschild, Bloom & Company LLC. For Auditing Services and Quarterly Accounting Services for the City. Alderman Luisetti moved, seconded by Alderman Dell’Orco, to approve the motion. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved. The Resolution was announced passed 7-0.
- C. Resolution No. 09292020B Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a First Amendment to a Contract with Kuhlman Design Group, Inc., for Engineering Services Relating to the MSD Project on Warson Woods Drive. Alderman Dell’Orco moved, Seconded by Alderwoman Mayer, to approve the motion. Alderman Dell’Orco then explained the need to Kuhlman Design’s involvement. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved. The Resolution was announced passed 7-0.
- D. Resolution 09292020C. A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Contract with Kuhlman Design Group, Inc., for Engineering Services Related to the Dearborn Bridge Repair 2020. Alderman Dell’Orco moved, seconded by Alderman Luisetti, to approve the motion. Alderman Dell’Orco then explained the work scope. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved. The Resolution as announced passed. 7-0.

E. Acceptance of the 2019-2020 Annual Fiscal Audit.

Alderman Luisetti moved, seconded by Alderwoman Mayer, to accept the 2019-2020 Annual Fiscal Audit. On Voice Vote the motion was unanimously approved.

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F. Resolution 09292020D. A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Temporary License Agreement to Allow a Temporary Parking Area in the Right-of-Way. Alderwoman Mayer moved, seconded by Alderman Dell'Orco, to approve the motion. After a discussion it was decided to add an insurance clause to No. 9. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

The Resolution was announced passed. 7-0.

G. Resolution 09292020E. A Resolution Requestion that St. Louis County Distribute \$47 Million of Cares Act Funds on a Per Capita Basis to the Municipalities Within the County to be Used for Eligible Expenses, Authorizing the Mayor of the City of Warson Woods, Missouri, to Accept Cares Act Funding and Execute a Municipal Relief Program Funding Agreement, and Confirming Agreement to Indemnify and Hold Harmless St. Louis County from Such Distribution, Alderman Luisetti moved, seconded by Alderwoman Mayer, On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

The Resolution was announced passed 7-0.

H. Misc. New Business.

Alderman Luisetti then thanked the City Attorney for his memo with explanations.

Alderman Mayer asked if bee keeping is allowed in the City of Warson Woods?

At this time the Chief reported on several items.

- With dispatch moving to the City of Kirkwood it will cost the City another \$1,600 for Rejis.
- He did a traffic survey on the Creek Road and Forest View. The outcome being 324 cars, 14.5 hours the highest speed was 27 mph. They also gave out 5 tickets for stop sign violations.
- He then informed everyone that Officer Andrews received a favorable yearly review and he is asking for her step increase. Alderman Dell'Orco moved, seconded by Alderwoman Mayer, to approve Officer Andrews Step increase from Step 7 to Step 8. On Voice Vote the motion was unanimously approved.

**EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION** Notice is hereby given that, subject to a motion duly made and adopted, the Board of Aldermen may also hold a closed meeting for the purpose of dealing with matters relating to one or more of the following: Legal actions, causes of action, litigation or privileged communications between the City’s representatives and its attorney (610.021(1) RSMo.); leasing, purchasing, or sale of real-estate (610.021(2) RSMo.); hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting employees (610.021(3) RSMo.) and sealed bids and related documents, until the bids are opened; and sealed proposals and related documents or any documents related to a negotiated contract until a contract is executed, or all proposals are rejected (610.021(12) RSMo.).

Alderman Luisetti moved, seconded by Alderwoman Mayer, to adjourn into Executive Session. By Roll Call the Vote was as follows:

	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Not Present
Mayer	<u>  X  </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
Dorris	<u>  X  </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
Bickford	<u>  X  </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
Dell’Orco	<u>  X  </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
Pfyl	<u>  X  </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
Newman	<u>  X  </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
Luisetti	<u>  X  </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
Bruenning	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>  X  </u>

The meeting Closed at 8:06 p.m.  
 The meeting re-opened at 8: 32 p.m.

The Mayor reminded everyone that we are still looking for someone to do our snow removal and if they have any leads, please let him know.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Alderman Newman moved, seconded by Alderman Dorris, the meeting be adjourned. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved. The meeting closed at 8:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Mahany, City Clerk

Laurance M. Howe, Mayor

