

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN  
September 18, 2007

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Warson Woods was held on Tuesday, September 18, 2007 at the City Hall, 10015 Manchester Road. The following members of the Board were present:

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

Absent:

Also present were City Attorney, Marvin Young, Assistant City Attorney, Paul Rost, Treasurer, Bill O'Neil, Chief Robert Stanczak, City Clerk, Kathy Mahany, Building Commissioner, Elijah Cunningham, City Engineer, Ken Lichtenheld and Park Commissioner, Gerry Murphy. Mayor Bergfeld called the Meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MINUTES

REGULAR BOARD MEETING—August 21, 2007

Alderman Pohl moved, seconded by Alderman Gosh, that the Minutes be accepted as submitted. Alderman Pohl mentioned that the addresses' under the Mayors comments were the same for both parties. She then asked they be corrected. With the correction, On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

PUBLIC WORKS MEETING—August 23, 2007

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

PLANNING & ZONING MEETING—September 6, 2007

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

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TREASURER'S REPORT—August 2007

Alderman Gosh moved, seconded by Alderman Andrews 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 Pohl moved, seconded by Alderman Andrews, 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.

MISC. REPORTS

COLLECTOR—Kathy Mahany, nothing to report.

BUILDING COMMISSIONER—Elijah Cunningham reported 5 permits were issued during the month, ranging from a deck and pool to a major renovation. There was one denial, a request for a retaining wall which would create severe drainage problems for the neighbor. He is anticipating an appeal to the Board of Adjustment.

PARK COMMISSIONER—Gerry Murphy stated the park renovation is nearing completion and it will be ready for the Fall Festival. He informed the Board that the parking lot has been newly striped. He then again thanked everyone for naming the tennis courts after him during last month's meeting.

CITY ENGINEER—Ken Lichtenheld reported that the punch list for the completion of the park contained 18 items. It is now down to 3 items, two of which will be completed tomorrow. He stated the grass is coming in very well and he thanked the Police Chief for all his help with watering it. He then said he has received a bid to install a sidewalk from Renderer on the North side, down Warson Woods Dr. on the West side through Memorial Park to the swimming pool for the sum of \$7,728.00. He also received a bid to remove and reinstall the sidewalks at the northwest portion of Woodlawn in front of Ste. Genevieve church and at the south east portion of Woodlawn at the Kirkwood city limit for the sum of \$4,500. Lastly he stated the lights are working again in Havenwood Circle. He said between working with AT&T and the contractor the problem has been resolved. Alderman Pohl asked if the Sternberg's home gutter drainage into the park will be a problem or if it has been resolved. Mr. Lichtenheld explained that there is a new drain installed in the park which will handle the additional drainage.

CITY ATTORNEY—Marvin Young—nothing to report.

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ASST. CITY ATTORNEY—Paul Rost, nothing to report.

TREASURER—Bill O’Neil, nothing to report.

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

OLD BUSINESS- Mr. Lance LeComb, from MSD’s Division of Public Information, spoke to the Board. He began by giving the Board a brief history of MSD, the age of the sewer system and the size of the district. Next explained why the new signs were installed along the creek by the tennis courts. He stated that the signs were placed by order of the EPA and (they) are notification of the possibility of waste water overflow, coming from Glendale, and releasing into our creek which eventually empties into river Des Peres. He further explained that MSD will be monitoring the signs and if they are taken down, MSD will replace them. He reported that this overflow is scheduled to be eliminated by 2012 (+-). The signs will come down when the overflow is corrected. He went on to explain that the cost of these repairs will have a direct effect on the customers. It is estimated that the monthly rate will have a 163% increase to the customer from the beginning of the project to the end. This includes increases already felt. Furthermore, he disclosed that the EPA has filed a lawsuit against MSD for failing to comply with the clean water act. While the waste water overflow is not directly involved with the lawsuit, it is MSD’s belief that if they do not remedy the waste water overflow the EPA will add it to the lawsuit. Lastly, he explained that in the future MSD’s billing will be a combination of storm water management and waste water management. He informed everyone of MSD’s plan to take air photos of the district and match the lots with St. Louis County’s records. They will then determine the amount of impervious area each lot contains where storm water runs off and does not soak into the ground. This will partially determine the customer’s monthly charge. Lastly, he answered questions from the Board and left his phone number for future questions and any questions residents may have.

MISC. OLD BUSINESS—no action required.

NEW BUSINESS –

Ordinance Amending Ordinance 1380. Alderman Andrews moved, seconded by Alderman Aitken that Bill 1456 was read two times by title only becomes Ordinance No.1402.

By Roll Call, the Vote was as Follows:

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

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Bill No. 1456 Cont.

Wittich	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____	_____
Aitken	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____	_____
Andrews	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____	_____

The Ordinance was announced passed. 8-0.

MISC. NEW BUSINESS

Alderman Pohl mentioned that the mosquitoes are really bad. The Mayor explained that Vector Control will only spray after taking samples and the mosquitoes must be a certain breed. He went on to say he had experienced the same problem with the mosquitoes so he purchased some spray off the shelf and sprayed his bushes and the problem was solved. She then mentioned that Ameren U.E. has been ruining several trees in the area. Alderman Howe said they did the same thing at his house and he made them stop. He said you do not have to let them on your property. Lastly he commended the City Engineer and everyone who had a part in the redevelopment of Royal Oaks Park. He stated it looks great.

Alderman Aitken moved, seconded by Alderman Gosh to install the sidewalk from north at Renderer Dr. south along west Warson Woods Drive through Memorial Park to the swimming pool for a cost of \$7,728.00. After discussion, On Voice vote, the motion was unanimously approved. After a short discussion the Woodlawn portion of sidewalk replacement was dropped. He then mentioned that the application for leaf vacuuming service may be downloaded from our web site.

Alderman Gosh informed everyone that the right-of-way tree removal application has been designed and is ready for use.

Alderman Wittich reminded everyone that the Fall Festival is scheduled for Friday, October 5, 2007

Adjournment

Alderman Aitken moved, seconded by Alderman Howe, the meeting is adjourned. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved. The meeting closed at 7:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Mahany  
City Clerk

E. William Bergfeld, Jr.,  
Mayor

