

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN

February 16, 2021

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Warson Woods was held on Tuesday, February 16, 2021. Upon roll call, the following members of the Board were reported present via Online Video:

Mayor Howe
Aldерwoman Bickford
Aldерwoman Mayer
Aldерwoman Pfyl
Alderman Dorris
Alderman Bruenning
Alderman Luisetti
Alderman Dell'Orco
Alderman Newman

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 held by Online Video Only. Present via Video as well was City Attorney Paul Rost, Treasurer Jim Malik and City Clerk Kathy Mahany and Chief of Police Bob Stanczak. Mayor Howe called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL of the AGENDA

Aldерwoman Mayer moved, seconded by Aldерwoman Bickford, to change Agendas and follow the Agenda that was submitted earlier today which includes The Communications Committee Report and the Parks/Public Works Report. On Voice Vote the motion was unanimously approved.

MINUTES

Regular Board Meeting—January 19, 2021

Special Work Executive Session—January 8, 2021

Executive Session—February 9, 2021

Alderman Dell'Orco moved, seconded by Aldерwoman Mayor, the minutes be accepted as submitted. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT—January 2021

Alderman Luisetti moved, seconded by Aldерwoman Mayer, that the Treasurer's Report be accepted as submitted. Treasurer Jim Malik asked why the Lateral Sewer Account looks like it's negative. The City Clerk said she would contact the accountants and ask them why. Alderman Dell'Orco asked why the budgeted amount on the Real Estate Tax looks so low. The Treasurer explained that the full budgeted number is entered and divided by 12 months and since we are only in the 7th month the budgeted number looks low.

Alderman Luisetti asked why the REJIS account is over budget. The Chief explained that when the City's dispatching was turned over to Kirkwood, we had to upgrade the Wi-Fi and REJIS systems. He then asked what the Kuhlman invoices were for. Alderman Dell'Orco explained that two invoices from September and October were missing and they had to reissue them so they were paid in January. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

BILLS & RECURRING DISBURSEMENTS WITH THE ADDENDUM

Alderman Luisetti moved, seconded by Alderwoman Mayer, that the Bills and Recurring Disbursements, with the Addendum, be approved as submitted. Alderman Dorris asked why there were so many entries for Ameren. It was explained that each meter has its own invoice so we try to combine as many as possible for each payment so we don't use so many check and postage. Alderman Luisetti mentioned that a check was issued to the Kirkwood Chamber of Commerce for \$757 and it should have been \$575. The incorrect check was returned and voided and a check for \$575 was issued.

On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

GLENDALE FIRE REPORT- January 2021, no action required.

WARSON WOODS POLICE REPORT - January 2021, no action required.

PETITIONS, REQUESTS AND COMPLAINTS

Pat Flood 402 Flanders participated in the Zoom Meeting also. She complemented the Communications Committee on the new Newsletter.

Next, she discussed not allowing residents to park their cars on the street when snow is predicted. A short discussion took place with Alderwoman Mayer saying she posted on Facebook and Twitter reminding residents to not park on the streets. The Mayor suggested using the ADP System to also remind residents about not parking in the street during inclement weather.

Alderman Dell'Orco commented that he drove across the City on Flanders Dr. and was surprised at how clear the road was. The Mayor said Bruce had very few complaints about parked vehicles during this storm.

MISC. REPORTS.

COLLECTOR—Kathy Mahany had no report.

BUILDING COMMISSIONER—Dan Wilson was excused.

The City Clerk mentioned that she has been calling Dan during this cold weather just to make sure he is alright.

PARK COMMISSIONER—Gordon Gosh has moved out of the City.

CITY ENGINEER (ACTING)—Mike Dell'Orco reported on several items. First, he said next month the Treasurers' Report will show invoicing from E. Meyer for the street work they did last summer. This cost will be reimbursed to the City by Mo-American Water Company as the work that was done by Mo-American's contractor was unacceptable.

Next, he said that MSD has submitted the plan for the work they will be doing on Monaco and Beaucaire in Wards 3 and 4. Alderwoman Mayer asked what this work is for. Mr. Dell'Orco explained that back in 2006-2008 a Stormwater Management Program was completed and this work is part of that plan.

Aldermen Newman and Luisetti asked if they could have copies of the plan.

Lastly, he said approximately 95% of the plan for the sanitary sewer line is complete for the Warson Woods Dr. project. He will be working with MSD on this next month.

CITY ATTORNEY—Paul Rost had no report.

TREASURER—Jim Malik commented that a total of \$134,929.00 has been received for our CARES ACT reimbursement from St. Louis County.

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE—Alderman Hannah Mayer commented on several items.

- The photo contest is over and the winners will be receiving \$50 gift cards from businesses in the City, of their choice.
- The website will now be updated with the photos submitted by residents.
- The newsletter sign up was 85% which is a fantastic start.
- The Committee is now working on a neighborhood directory which residents will be able to opt out of if they prefer not to be included.

At this time Alderman Newman said he was contacted twice by a resident who was not happy with the first storm (ice) clean up. After a short discussion it was decided to post the City's snow and ice removal policy. Alderman Luisetti then said he had heard and seen several comments about the proposed Use Tax Proposition. He asked that more explanation be put out on the social media accounts. Alderman Mayer also suggested sharing a link to the information with the "In the Woods" Facebook page.

Lastly, the Mayor Thanked the Communications Committee for all the work they have been doing on all the Social Media.

PUBLIC WORKS/PARKS-Mayor Howe commented on how hard Bruce has been working on the snow and ice removal along with the Chief and on both of them fixing the salt spreading equipment. On a side note, he mentioned that the parts for fixing this equipment have been ordered and will be installed this spring/summer.

MAYOR—Larry Howe did not have a report but asked if anyone had any positive reports on the snow removal effort. The City Clerk said that Dave Schilling on Calais Ct. said he though the City did a great job. Alderman Pfyl asked if there was any pre-treatment done before the first storm hit. The Mayor said yes, Bruce was in the middle of the pre-treatment when the equipment broke down. He also mentioned that with the bitter cold we have had the pre-treatment does not work very well. The City has gone through approximately 60 tons of salt as a result of both storms.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Misc. Old Business-nothing to report

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Misc. New Business

Alderman Bickford informed everyone about something she heard through the Missouri Municipal League. If there is no opposition on an election the city does not have to hold an election. The City Attorney said that is correct but it only applies to cities with a population of under 1,000.

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.).

Alderwoman Bickford moved, seconded by Alderman Dorris, to adjourn into Executive Session.

By Roll Call the Vote was as follows:

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

The meeting Closed at 7:41 p.m.

The meeting re-opened at 8:27 p.m.

At this time the Chief informed everyone that someone was in the Dollar Tree parking lot this morning. He got out of his car to scrape some snow off the car. He had a gun in the waistband of his pants and apparently when he stood up the gun went off and he shot himself in the leg. The Chief went to assist the Fire Department Paramedics. The Chief kept the gun to make sure it was legal and the man went to the hospital. He later came back and picked up his gun. It was legally purchased and he did have a license to carry it.

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Newman moved, seconded by Alderwoman Mayer, the meeting be adjourned. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved. The meeting closed at 7:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Mahany, City Clerk

Laurance M. Howe, Mayor

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