

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN

February 21, 2023

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Warson Woods was held on Tuesday, February 21, 2023. Upon roll call, the following members of the Board were reported present:

Mayor Sean Fitzgerald
Alderwoman Hannah Mayer
Alderman Charlie Luisetti
Alderwoman Dawn Bickford
Alderman G.P. Dorris
Alderman Rob Hurtt
Alderman Jim Newman
Alderwoman Lucy Pfyl
Alderwoman Laura Lee

Also present were City Attorney Drew Weber, Chief of Police Bob Stanczak and City Engineer Ron Stuckel. Financial Advisor Jeff Blume attended via Zoom.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL of AGENDA

Alderman Dorris moved, seconded by Alderwoman Mayer, to approve the agenda as submitted. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

MINUTES

Regular Board Meeting—January 17, 2023

Executive Session—January 17, 2023

With the correction that Alderman Rob Hurtt was present in person.

Parks & Beautification—January 26, 2023

Alderwoman Bickford moved, seconded by Alderman Dorris, that the minutes be accepted as submitted. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT—December 2022

Alderman Luisetti moved, seconded by Alderwoman Pfyl, that the Treasurer's Report be accepted as submitted. At this time the Mayor asked Mr. Blume about line item 4050. The Mayor asked how the City can determine if that line item is on track, behind, or ahead based on the Treasurers Report. Mr. Blume explained that this is normal compared to prior years. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

BILLS & RECURRING DISBURSEMENTS

Alderman Luisetti moved, seconded by Alderwoman Mayer, that the Bills and Recurring Disbursements, with the Addendum, be approved as submitted. Alderwoman Pfyl then asked why the Ameren bill repeats for the same amount. Chief Stanczak explained that each light is separately metered. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

GLENDALE FIRE REPORT- January 2023, no action required

WARSON WOODS POLICE REPORT – January 2023, no action required

PETITIONS, REQUESTS AND COMPLAINTS—

At this time Karen Aschinger, 840 Renderer Dr., Talked about the Kennedy v. Bremerton School District case which allowed a high School football coach to pray on the field. She said that she believes prayer should return to City meetings. She then read a prayer to the Board.

MISC. REPORTS.

COLLECTOR—Kathy Mahany was excused.

BUILDING COMMISSIONER—Ron Stuckel, provided an update about approved zoning applications over the past month. He went on to say he has been investigating the sump pump for 1617 Andrew Dr. and the neighboring property as well, both of which have violations of current City Codes.

PARK COMMISSIONER— Lucy Pfyl informed the Board that the Parks & Beautification Committee is recommending the installation of pickle ball courts. They would like to stripe one court and get two portable nets for pickle ball. No resurfacing or capital improvements will be required.

Alderman Dorris moved, seconded by Alderman Rob Hurtt, to stripe the tennis court for pickleball and to buy temporary nets. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

CITY ENGINEER—Ron Stuckel reported earlier in the meeting.

CITY ATTORNEY—Drew Weber said he has no report.

TREASURER—At this time the Financial Advisor, Jeff Blume, stated the City has approximately 2.5 million in the checking account. The City is up almost \$100,000.00 in receipts based mostly on real estate tax items. Income of \$1,527,281.00. Expenses are \$1,022,602.00. He anticipates that the City will spend \$50,000.00 less than anticipated by the end of the year.

PUBLIC WORKS/PARKS-Alderman Jim Newman informed everyone that a Public Works Committee meeting is scheduled for March 14th. He also said a new drill with higher torque was purchased.

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE—Alderwoman Hannah Mayer reported that she received an email from a young woman who was interested in the Junior Alderperson program. Currently, the program is on hold. Age range is 6th thru 12th grade.

Next, she said the first Code Red message went out last week. Chief Stanczak said he received some feedback saying that an “all clear” message would have been helpful. Laura Lee then said there are 150 people that have signed up for the notification system.

MAYOR—Sean Fitzgerald stated he would like to have a discussion regarding the best way forward on the Warson Woods Drive project during the March Board meeting.

Next, he asked that the Board direct questions about specific bills to Kathy prior to the meeting so she can prepare to answer questions during the meeting.

OLD BUSINESS-

An Ordinance Adopting an Investment Policy for the City and to Provide for the Safe Investment of City Funds. Bill No. 1733. Alderman Luisetti moved, seconded by Alderman Dorris, that Bill No. 1733 was read two times by title only, become Ordinance No. 1677.

By Roll Call the Vote was as follows:

	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Not Present
Lee	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Dorris	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Hurtt	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Mayer	<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>
Bickford	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

The Ordinance was announced passed 8-0.

At this time Alderman Dorris moved, seconded by Alderwoman Lee, to designate the City Clerk as the designee under the Investment Policy. On Voice Vote the motion was unanimously approved.

Misc. Old Business

At this time Matt Schlichter, of Network Real Estate, informed everyone that he met with Alderman Dorris, Chief Stanczak and Bruce Frazier, Public Works, near the city owned public works shed. He stated he would like the City to accept this location to be developed for the new tower. The tower needs to be 95 feet tall at this site to be optimized. Anything lower than 90 feet will result in a signal degradation. AT&T is driving the installation of this tower. Once completed there could be up to 3 companies using this tower.

Mayor Fitzgerald said he would like to see a mock-up with 3 companies on the tower. He then asked if AT&T ever builds a tower for only their use. Mr. Schlichter said ‘no’.

Alderwoman Mayer left the room at 8:24 p.m. She returned at 8:27 p.m.

Mr. Schlichter asked the Board if the new site is preferred over the former site. A majority of the Board said ‘yes’ without committing to approving this location.

NEW BUSINESS

An Ordinance Amending Article VII of Chapter 215 of the Municipal Code by Enacting a New Section 215.1035, Prohibiting “Vehicle Prowling” within the City. Bill No. 1739.

Alderman Dorris moved, seconded by Alderwoman Mayer, that Bill No. 1739 was read two times by title only become Ordinance No. 1678.

Bill No. 1739 Continue

By Roll Call the Vote was as follows:

	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Not Present
Newman	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Dorris	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Hurtt	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Mayer	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Pfyl	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Lee	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Luisetti	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Bickford	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

The Ordinance was announced passed 8-0.

Ordinance Restricting Marijuana Possession and Use in Public, and Prohibiting the Sale of Marijuana to Minors Bill No. 1740. Alderman Newman moved, seconded by Alderwoman Pfyl, that Bill No. 1740 was read two times by title only becomes Ordinance 1679.

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>
Luisetti	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Lee	<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>
Hurtt	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Bickford	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

The Ordinance was announced passed 8-0.

Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to Negotiate and Execute a Design Proposal between the City of Warson Woods and Vestal Corporation for Forest View Dr. Crossing Structure Remediation Bill No. 1741. Alderman Newman moved, seconded by Alderwoman Bickford, that Bill No. 1741 was read two times by title only becomes Ordinance No. 1680.

By Roll Call the Vote was as follows:

	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Not Present
Newman	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Pfyl	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Luisetti	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Lee	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Dorris	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Mayer	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Hurtt	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Bickford	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

The Ordinance was announced passed 8-0.

MISC. NEW BUSINESS-No action required.

Alderwoman Pfyl moved, seconded by Alderwoman Mayer, to close Regular Session and go into Executive Session.

On Roll Call, the vote was as follows:

	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Not Present
Luisetti	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Mayer	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Newman	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Lee	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Hurt	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Dorris	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Pfyl	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Bickford	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

The motion was announced passed 8-0. The meeting closed at 8:49 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Newman moved, seconded by Alderman Dorris, the meeting be adjourned. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved. The meeting closed at 9:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Mahany, City Clerk

Sean Fitzgerald, Mayor

