

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN

May 15, 2018

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Warson Woods was held on Tuesday, May 15, 2018, at the City Hall, 10015 Manchester Road. Upon roll call, the following members of the Board were reported present:

Mayor, Larry Howe
Gordon Gosh
Charles Luisetti
Mark Wittich
Mark Thompson
Dawn Bickford

Also present were City Attorney Paul Rost, Treasurer Jim Malik, Building Commissioner Dan Wilson, City Clerk Kathy Mahany, and Detective Sgt. Tisius. The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Alderman Bruenning arrived at 7:02 p.m. and Alderman Dell'Orco arrived at 7:21 p.m. Alderwoman Pentland was excused.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC HEARING

A. Consideration of amendments to the following sections of the City of Warson Woods Land Use Code, Title IV, Chapters 400 and 415:

- i. setbacks on irregular lots;
- ii. Section 415.010, Use Regulations — "A" and "B" Residence Districts, to clarify placement of emergency generators vis-à-vis the "yard" and setback requirements of the "A" and "B" Residential Districts; and
- iii. Section 415.060, Additional Height, Area, Fence and Screen Exceptions, to clarify placement of fences and swimming pools vis-à-vis the "yard" and setback requirements of the "A" and "B" Residential Districts.

The Mayor opened the Public Hearing at 7:02 p.m. He began by explaining the reason for the proposed code changes and he explained that this is also a recommendation from the P & Z Commission.

The Mayor then asked if there were any Public comments. Hearing none the Public Hearing closed at 7:05 p.m.

APPROVAL of the AGENDA

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

MINUTES

Regular Board Meeting—April 17, 2018

Executive Session—April 17, 2018

Finance Insurance & Personnel Committee—April 26, 2018

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

TREASURER'S REPORT—April 2018

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

BILLS & RECURRING DISBURSEMENTS WITH ADDENDUM TO BE APPROVED

Alderman Luisetti, seconded by Alderman Wittich, that the Bills and Recurring Disbursements, with the Addendum, be approved as submitted. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Certification of the April 3, 2018 General Municipal Election and Boards Acceptance.

Alderman Wittich moved, seconded by Alderwoman Bickford, to accept the certification of the April 3, 2018 General Municipal Election. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

At this time City Clerk Kathy Mahany swore in Mayor Howe.

Mayor Howe then swore in Alderpersons Bickford, Thompson and Bruenning.

Next Alderman Thompson moved, seconded by Alderman Wittich, to Re-Appoint Kathy Mahany as City Clerk. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved. Mayor Howe then swore in the City Clerk.

Alderman Wittich then brought up the subject of write in candidates. For clarification, the procedure for anyone who would like to be a write in candidate is as follows; the potential candidate must go to the Board of Election Commissioners office and declare their candidacy as a write in candidate no later than two weeks before the scheduled election they wish to run in. At this time the Board of Election Commissioners will contact the City Clerk and let the City know about write in candidates. If these steps are not followed their votes will be ignored by the Board of Election Commissioners.

GLENDALE FIRE REPORT- April 2018 – No action required.

WARSON WOODS POLICE REPORT-April 2018 – Alderman Luisetti asked Det. Sgt. Tisius about an incident that happened at Ste. Gen. Det. Sgt. Tisius excused himself to get the entire report so he could answer Mr. Luisetti.

PETITIONS, REQUESTS AND COMPLAINTS –

Pat Flood, 402 Flanders, thanked the Board for the quick action in having the utility clean up the concrete that was left in front of 464 Flanders. The Mayor said it was Aldermen Dell'Orco and Wittich who took care of it.

MISC. REPORTS

COLLECTOR—Kathy Mahany, stated that she will be sending another letter to Scott Properties and Breihan Properties asking them to do the property maintenance especially dumpster, and vegetation control.

BUILDING COMMISSIONER—Dan Wilson submitted the attached report and explained it. Alderman Gosh asked where 815 Renderer is and Dan explained it is actually 816. It was a typo.

PARK COMMISSIONER (ACTING)—Gordon Gosh, submitted the attached report.

CITY ENGINEER (ACTING)—Mike Dell’Orco, reported on a several items. 1) The streets are marked for this year’s street work. He went on to say he has had a preconstruction meeting with the Contractor, E. Meier and the Engineers, KdG and the work is set to begin June 4th and be completed by mid-July. 2) The new water fountain has been installed in the park but the bubbler is not working properly. Linek is working on it. Also, the water pipe for the spicket at the entrance to the park is leaking. A short discussion about cost was held. It was determined replacing it could cost up to \$1,500.00. At this time Jim Malik asked if this work will be on this year’s budget or next. Mike answered next year’s budget but the budget could be adjusted. Mayor then asked about some slabs on Bennett that the Mo-American Water replaced after water main breaks. He said it looks like the may fail. He asked if Mike thought Mo-American would replace them. Mike said he doubts it, as they were replaced too long ago.

CITY ATTORNEY—Paul Rost, informed the Board that the State Legislature has passed a bill changing the amount of residents from 1000 to 2000 for Cities that have only one candidate for each position on a ballot not having to hold an election. To adopt this the City must put it on a ballot and it has to be passed by the residents.

TREASURER—Jim Malik reminded everyone that there is a Finance meeting scheduled for May 24th. The Mayor said the numbers are in for our insurance renewal and since our rating number went down for the Workers Comp. Insurance, the agent wants to get a bid by another company. That number will be in any time. He will pass it on to Jim when it comes in.

MAYOR—Larry Howe stated the city has about \$20,000 in protested tax money that we have not received yet. At this time the City Clerk said the money came in yesterday and it was \$39,000.00. Next he said there is a damaged tree on the St. Matts property and he is not sure if it is a tree that is on City property or if it’s a utility easement tree. He asked Alderman Gosh to make an assessment of the situation and let him know. Alderman Gosh agreed to look at it.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Resolution No.04172018-B Authorizing the Mayor to Enter into a Contract with Hackett Security, Inc. for Security Equipment in Royal Oaks Park. Alderman Dell’Orco moved, seconded by Alderman Thompson, to purchase the security equipment. At this time Alderman Bruenning introduced Bob Williams of Hackett Security to explain the two options and answer any questions. After a discussion period Alderman Dell’Orco moved, Seconded by Alderman Thompson, to purchase option 21832. On Voice Vote the motion was unanimously approved.
- B. Misc. Old Business—Nothing to report.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Resolution No. 05152018 for the Renewal of Delta Dental Insurance for the Employee Benefits Plan. Alderman Gosh moved, seconded by Alderman Wittich, to approve the Renewal of Delta Dental Insurance. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

- B. Resolution No. 05152018-A Making Appointments to the Board of Adjustment and Planning & Zoning Commission. Alderman Wittich moved, seconded by Alderman Thompson, to approve the Appointment to the Board of Adjustment and P & Z. On Voice Vote the motion was unanimously approved.
- C. Ordinance Approving Amendments to Section 400.020, 415.010 and 415.060 of the Warson Woods Land Use Code. Bill No. 1658. After being read two times by title only, Alderman Thompson moved, seconded by Alderman Gosh, that Bill No. 1658 be approved.

By Roll Call the Vote was as follows:

	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Not Present
Dell’Orco	<u> X </u>	_____	_____	_____
Gosh	<u> X </u>	_____	_____	_____
Bruenning	<u> X </u>	_____	_____	_____
Pentland	_____	_____	_____	<u> X </u>
Thompson	<u> X </u>	_____	_____	_____
Wittich	<u> X </u>	_____	_____	_____
Luisetti	<u> X </u>	_____	_____	_____
Bickford	<u> X </u>	_____	_____	_____

The Ordinance was announced passed 7 -0.

- D. Request from Court Clerk Donna Tharp to attend the Spring Seminar for 1/3 the cost being split with the Cities of Oakland and Bella Villa \$335.47. Alderman Wittich moved, seconded by Alderman Gosh, to allow the Court Clerk to attend the Spring Seminar, May 21 – 25, 2018. On Voice Vote the motion was unanimously approved.

E. Misc. New Business

Alderman Luisetti stated he would like to hold a “Town Hall” type of meeting with the residents to explain the City’s finances to them. He would like to hold it before the end of the calendar year.

Alderman Thompson asked what all the tags are for on the fire hydrants. After a short discussion it was decided to have Steve take them off. Next, he said some residents have asked him if there is anything the City can do to make Scott Properties update their buildings. After a lengthy explanation by the City Attorney regarding a special ½ cent sales tax with a specific time limit being imposed on it, the building owners could use the tax money to make improvements. At this time he said the street entrance at Bennett & Manchester needs repairing. The City Clerk said she contacted MoDOT yesterday about those repairs. Lastly he said some residents suggested the street signs being upgraded to something more “woody”.

EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION—: Legal actions, causes of action, litigation or privileged communications between the City’s representatives and its attorney (610.021(1)); hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting employees (610.021(2)).

The meeting closed at 8:59 p.m.

When the meeting re-opened Alderman Dell'Orco stated he would like a letter to go out to the residents regarding road safety, golf carts, fireworks and park usage. It was decided to put the same letter on the web site.

Next, it was mentioned that there will be 2 Fourth of July parades with them meeting in the middle of the City at the old St. Matts property. The use of "not street legal" vehicles may be used in the parade but not in any other capacity.

Lastly, the resident's use of "fireworks" was discussed. Since "fireworks" are not legal in St. Louis County or in the City of Warson Woods they will not be tolerated. The Police Department has been directed to show no tolerance in residents using them.

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Bruenning moved, seconded by Alderman Dell'Orco the meeting be adjourned. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved. The meeting closed at 9:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Mahany, City Clerk

Laurance M. Howe, Mayor