

## REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN

November 15, 2022

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Warson Woods was held on Tuesday, November 15, 2022. Upon roll call, the following members of the Board were reported present:

Alderman Charlie Luisetti  
Alderwoman Dawn Bickford  
Alderman G.P. Dorris  
Alderwoman Hannah Mayer  
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 Clerk Kathy Mahany. Financial Advisor Jeff Blume attended via Zoom. Mayor Sean Fitzgerald was excused. President of the Board Charlie Luisetti expressed his condolences to Mayor Sean Fitzgerald with the death of his father.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### APPROVAL of the REVISED AGENDA

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

### MINUTES

Regular Board Meeting—October 18, 2022

Executive Session A—October 18, 2022

Executive Session B—October 18, 2022

Finance Committee—November 10, 2022

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

### TREASURER'S REPORT—September 2022

Alderman Dorris moved, seconded by Alderwoman Mayer, that the Treasurer's Report be accepted as submitted. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

### BILLS & RECURRING DISBURSEMENTS

Alderman Dorris moved, seconded by Alderwoman Pfyl, that the Bills and Recurring Disbursements, with the Addendum, be approved as submitted. Alderman Luisetti asked about the \$9,000.00 City Engineer/Building Commissioner invoice. It was explained that this invoice was for several projects which are ongoing. He also asked about the check for Officer Bowman.

## BILLS & RECURRING DISBURSEMENTS Cont.

Chief Stanczak explained it was reimbursement for training, Chief Stanczak also stated that the new police car has come in and it has been paid in full. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

GLENDALE FIRE REPORT- October 2022, no action required.

WARSON WOODS POLICE REPORT – October 2022,

Referring to the Police Report for October, Alderman Luisetti asked if “the suspicious person” were the same persons who have been going through cars. Chief Stanczak answered yes.

## PETITIONS, REQUESTS AND COMPLAINTS

Tim Quinn, 517 Monaco Dr. questioned a comment in the minutes from last month about “persons who fled prior to the Police arrival.” He asked if these are the same people who have been going through cars. Chief Stanczak answered yes that is what they were referring to. A short discussion was held regarding the City of Shrewsbury’s plan to have an ordinance specifying going through cars aka “car clotting.” Chief Stanczak explained that if St. Louis County doesn’t make their ordinances stricter the individual cities won’t be enforceable. Lastly putting up signs that say “Lock it or Loose it” around the city may be helpful for residents to remember to lock their cars and take the keys and other valuables out of the car.

Pat Flood, 402 Flanders Dr. discussed Executive Session minutes. She wants them posted after a vote has been taken after the 72 hour waiting period without having to ask for them.

## MISC. REPORTS.

COLLECTOR—Kathy Mahany had no report.

BUILDING COMMISSIONER—Ron Stuckel submitted the attached report.

PARK COMMISSIONER— Lucy Pfyl said she and Bruce have been in touch and painting the Pickle Ball court is on their list.

CITY ENGINEER—Ron Stuckel submitted no additional report.

CITY ATTORNEY—Drew Weber discussed three items. First, he stated as he was going through our codes looking into the penalties and fees that are charged. He explained that as a fourth-class city our penalties cannot exceed \$500 as per the changes made by the General Assembly post Ferguson. Next he discussed changing zoning fees from the current \$75 to reflect what the city is being charged for this service. He also informed everyone that he found several items that need to be removed from our code as they are no longer needed. After a short discussion, it was decided to hold a P&Z meeting since this will entail a change in the zoning code. Lastly, he discussed the new marijuana legalization. Mr. Weber suggested he look into how this will be changing our current codes . This topic will also have to go to the P&Z Commission.

TREASURER—At this time the Financial Advisor, Jeff Blume, discussed the Treasurer’s Report via Zoom. We are over three quarters of the way through the calendar year and the cities budget is on target. He concluded by saying the City is currently in good financial shape.

PUBLIC WORKS/PARKS-Alderman Jim Newman began by informing everyone that the City has once again had Hendel Landscaping do leaf removal two separate times in the Royal Oak park. Next, he said that Knapheide is waiting for the new truck bed to come in. Once it arrives it will be put on the truck along with the new snow plow.

If we get snow before the truck is finished Bruce has reached out to Fontana to do our snow removal for the same price as last year. The only stipulation Fontana asked for was a 5-hour minimum. Jim called the mayor and got his approval.

He then discussed the Forest View Bridge repairs vs a new bridge. The cost of the repairs will be approximately \$100,000 and to build a whole new bridge will cost approximately \$500,000. The repairs should last ten years and a new bridge should be thirty to forty years. After a discussion Alderman Newman moved, seconded by alderman Dorris, to repair the bridge for approximately \$100,000. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

Lastly, he discussed the fencing on Warson Woods Dr. between the road and creek. He asked Chief Stanczak if we received any funds from FEMA for this repair. The Chief said that he applied for it but we have not heard anything back from FEMA. Alderman Newman said he will get with Bruce to get it repaired.

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE—Alderman Hannah Mayer said the deadline for the junior alderperson program has passed. Only two kids have applied for the program. Next, she reminded everyone that the “Trot through the Woods” is this weekend. Last she said the Communication Committee did a spotlight on our new part time Officer, Elijah McGee.

MAYOR—Sean Fitzgerald was excused.

OLD BUSINESS-No action required

MISC. OLD BUSINESS

Alderman Luisetti said the Finance Committee will be meeting on a quarterly basis. He went on to say they will be addressing the recommendations from the auditors.

NEW BUSINESS

An Ordinance Providing for the Holding of the General Election for the Year 2023; Setting the Date of said Election on April 4, 2023; Enumeration the Elective Officers to be Elected and Matters Relating there to. Bill No. 1727 After being read two times by title only, Alderman Bickford moved, seconded by Alderman Dorris, to Bill No. 1727 becomes Ordinance No. 1666.

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.

Request from Matt Schlichter of Network Real Estate, for AT&T, Requesting Placement of a Cell Tower in Warson Woods.

Mr. Schlichter began by distributing a picture of what the proposed tower will look like and where they would like to place it. He went on to explain the current tower being in the copula on the top of this building and that it is no longer is sufficient. The new tower will provide much better service in all directions. He said it would be placed at the top of the park directly behind the back of the Police Department. The proposed tower would be 75 foot in height. They are looking for 1,400 square feet to lease from the City. The tower will look like the one in Glendale but it is not as tall since the tower will be placed at a higher elevation. He said at the beginning it will only carry AT&T Antennas but eventually there will be more carriers attached. A lengthy discussion and a question-and-answer period took place. Alderman Dorris suggested another location for the proposed tower being behind the city garage. Alderman Newman agreed. It was decided that Mr. Schlichter will show the newly suggested area to his engineers to see if that location will work.

#### **MISC. NEW BUSINESS**

Alderman Dorris said he was going to suggest drafting an ordinance for car clotting but after the earlier discussion finding out that unless St. Louis County has the same penalties it will do no good. Next, he said the city has two police vehicles which need work. One needing breaks, tires and an alternator costing \$2,300 and the other needing tires and a catalytic converter costing \$2,200. It was decided to have the repairs made. The Chief also informed the Board, because of the aging of the cars and the time frame it takes to order a new car, the city should purchase another new vehicle this year and again next year.

Alderman Lee said we now have a contract with Code Red for informing our residents of different city/police matters. She went on to say it will be operational by January. She then invited Alderman Mayer to help communicating the necessity of this program to the residents

Alderman Newman mentioned that even with the \$9,000 invoice for Engineering this month the city is still under the budget amount for the year.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Alderman Luisetti moved, seconded by Alderman Newman, the meeting be adjourned. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved. The meeting closed at 9:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Mahany, City Clerk

Sean Fitzgerald, Mayor

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