

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN
October 18, 2011

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Warson Woods was held on Tuesday, October 18, 2011 at the City Hall, 10015 Manchester Road. The following members of the Board were present:

Mayor Laurance M. Howe
Mike Dell'Orco
George Bruenning
Judith Pohl
Gordon Gosh
Mike Andrews
Mark Wittich
Mark Thompson

Absent: David Aitken

Also present were City Attorney, Paul Rost, Treasurer, Bill O'Neil, Chief, Robert Stanczak, City Clerk/Collector, Kathy Mahany, and Building Commissioner, Dan Wilson. Mayor Howe called the Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Alderman Aitken arrived at 7:07 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MINUTES

REGULAR BOARD MEETING—September 20, 2011

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION—September 20, 2011

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

ADHOC—September 28, 2011

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

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT—October 4, 2011

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

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PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—October 11, 2011

Alderman Wittich moved, seconded by Alderman Dell'Orco that the Minutes be accepted as submitted. On Voice Vote, after a short discussion, the motion was unanimously approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT—September 2011

Alderman Gosh moved, seconded by Alderman Dell'Orco 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 Wittich moved, seconded by Alderwoman Pohl, that the Bills and Recurring Disbursements 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

COLLECTOR—Kathy Mahany, nothing to report.

BUILDING COMMISSIONER—Dan Wilson reported that volume of permit requests has declined slightly which is natural for this time of year. He then said the Board of Adjustment denied the request of Anchor Sign Company to allow the current sign for the Dollar Store, to remain even though it is non-compliant. He expects the replacement sign to be installed around the week of the 31st.

PARK COMMISSIONER—Gordon Gosh submitted the attached report. He also stated that he and Steve will be planting trees by the AT&T box at Bennett and Rear Drives on Thursday. Alderwoman Pohl asked if he was still planning on planting ground cover along Warson Woods Drive. Mr. Gosh said yes that is also planned for Thursday of this week.

TENNIS COMMISSIONER—Mark Boland, absent.

CITY ENGINEER—Ken Lichtenheld, absent.

CITY ATTORNEY—Paul Rost, nothing to report

TREASURER—Bill O'Neil reported that with the September financials in the first quarter of this fiscal year is in the same range as last year at this time.

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MAYOR— Larry Howe, discussed several items. First he asked the Treasurer if the City should move some money from CD's. Bill O'Neil said there is not much interest anywhere. Next he read a letter he received from a resident of 54 years, John Uxa, 1600 Daulphine, stating how he and his family have enjoyed living in Warson Woods. After he read the letter a short discussion took place and it was decided to include Mr. Uxa's letter in our next newsletter. He then said he received a note from Rohan Woods School thanking the City for including their school in the Fall Festival. Next he informed everyone that he met with a contractor who informed him that the City can separate the salting from the snow plowing so he requested sealed bids from four different entities for a flat fee for snow plowing our streets. He received 3 bids, one choose not to participate in the bidding. A discussion then took place with the Police Chief. It was decided that the City will do our own salting. It should result in a savings of 50% over last year's salt costs. The Mayor said he will gather further information and have a contract ready for next month. He then said he met with Tony LaMantia from Allied Waste. He reported that Tony's wife is very ill but he will look into why several of our resident's invoices are so different. Lastly he directed the employees of City Hall not to put up with rude, condescending residents. If anyone comes into City Hall and acts in that manor the staff is to call the Police hand have them escorted out.

Alderwoman Pohl left the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS

MISC. OLD BUSINESS—Nothing to report.

NEW BUSINESS

Park Grant Application, Tennis Court Renovation Public Comments.

Alderman Andrews began the discussion by stating the application is due in 10 days and the maximum amount that will be granted is \$115,000.00. He then said the City does not have to match any funds but we will receive more points if we match some funds. He stated he received a bid from Strassner Tennis Courts for repairing and resurfacing the courts, new lighting and new fencing for a cost of \$283,000.00. At this point he asked for direction with the application. After discussion it was decided to apply for new lighting and fencing.

Resolution Accepting the Application as Approval by the Board of alderman to Apply for the Municipal Grant. Alderman Andrews read the resolution. Alderman Dell'Orco moved, seconded by Alderman Gosh to apply for \$50,000.00 for new lighting and \$36,270.00 for new fencing for a total of \$86,270.00. On Voice Vote the motion was unanimously approved.

REGULAR BORD MEETING—October 18, 2011

2010-2011 Fiscal Draft Audit.

The Treasurer reported that the Audit numbers reflect the same as our Treasurer's report we were up by \$50,000.00 last fiscal year. Alderman Gosh asked that our accounting numbers be included with the written descriptions of each account.

2011 Fall Festival Report

Alderman Wittich explained that the event was only \$81.32 over budget this year. He then thanked everyone involved in making the festival a great success. He said he thought the new ride this year was great. Lastly he said he thought the Webster Groves Patch did a great job reporting the event. Alderman Gosh asked why the bills & recurring disbursements and report were different. The City Clerk explained that the B&RD were the actual checks written it does not reflect the budget amount or the sales which help pay for a portion of the event.

MISC. NEW BUSINESS

Alderman Andrews suggested that the Mayor and Board prepare another lunch for the City employees to thank them for all their hard work making the Fall Festival a success. After a short discussion it was decided to find a date to hold the lunch.

Alderman Gosh informed everyone that State Senator Eric Schmidt informed him of grant opportunities for making either a rubber walking path or rubber mulch. The surfaces are made from recycled tires. After a short discussion it was decided that Alderman Gosh will share this information with Rohan Woods School.

Lastly, Alderman Wittich stated that during the Public Works meeting the solid waste contract was discussed and it is the recommendation of that committee to put together new bid packages and go out for bids before this contract runs out.

The meeting adjourned into Executive Session at 8:00 P.M.

The meeting re-opened at 8:01 P.M.

Adjournment

Alderman Aitken moved, seconded by Alderman Gosh, the meeting is adjourned. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved. The meeting closed at 8:02 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Mahany, City Clerk

Laurance M. Howe, Mayor