

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN  
November 17, 2009

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Warson Woods was held on Tuesday, November 17, 2009 at the City Hall, 10015 Manchester Road.

The following members of the Board were present:

Mayor E. William Bergfeld, Jr.

Gordon Gosh

Mark Wittich

Larry Howe

Mike Andrews

Judith Pohl

David Aitken

George Bruenning

Absent: Mike Dell'Orco

Also present were City Attorney, Paul Rost, Treasurer, Bill O'Neil, Chief, Robert Stanczak, City Clerk/Collector, Kathy Mahany, Building Commissioner, Dan Wilson, and City Engineer, Ken Lichtenheld. The Mayor called the Meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MINUTES

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

TREASURER'S REPORT—October 2009

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

BILLS AND RECURRING DISBURSEMENTS TO BE APPROVED

Alderswoman Pohl moved, seconded by Alderman Wittich, that the Bills 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.

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PETITIONS, REQUESTS AND COMPLAINTS- Cristina Kulczycki, 1017 North Dr. discussed the attached letter to the Board.

COLLECTOR—Kathy Mahany nothing to report.

BUILDING COMMISSIONER—Dan Wilson reported that he has the results back regarding the 24 old permits he had inquired about St. Louis County having done inspections on. He will have a final report at the next regular board meeting.

PARK COMMISSIONER—Alderman Gosh reported on several items. First, a large diseased Oak Tree was removed at Dunwoody and Ridgeline. Second, a 12 to 15 foot Red Maple tree was planted at Flanders and Doral on the West side of Woodlawn. the cost was \$58.00. Third, he stated Steve has done a good job removing the leaves in Royal Oaks Park. Fourth, he reported that he had a request form the Brentwood Boy Scouts to do a service project in Royal Oaks Park on April 10<sup>th</sup>. And fifth, he received information from the Department of Conservation for an award of excellence which he will apply for on behalf of the City.

TENNIS COMMISSIONER- In Mark Boland's absence the City Clerk stated that Mr. Boland has spoken to a contractor regarding resurfacing the tennis courts and that she gave him the information Jerry Murphy collected on the last resurfacing along with other contractor's names. The Mayor then stated he would like Mr. Boland to contact the City Engineer before proceeding with the project.

CITY ENGINEER—Ken Lichtenheld, nothing to report

CITY ATTORNEY—Paul Rost, nothing to report.

TREASURER—Bill O'Neil, nothing to report.

MAYOR— E. William Bergfeld, Jr. will report later in the meeting.

#### OLD BUSINESS

At this time the Mayor presented Mr. David Pentland a gift certificate to show the City's appreciation for his 20 years of service as Prosecutor. Mr. Pentland then gave a short speech thanking the Mayor and City Officials stating it has been an honor and privilege to serve the City these past 20 years.

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Presentation by Capitol Land regarding signage changes.

Mr. Pat Cunningham of Capitol Land and Mr. Terry Dawdy of Dawdy & Associates and Bill Barron of Warren Sign Company gave a presentation to the Board regarding the following signage changes to building B of the Dierberg's Shopping Center to update the look of the center. 1) Change the maximum height from 28 inches to 36 inches and 2) To delete the 5% sign area and allow 15% sign area and leave the Tuesday Morning signage as it is. After a discussion, Alderman Aitken moved, seconded by Alderman Gosh to 1) Change the maximum height from 28 inches to 36 inches and 2) To delete the 5% sign area and allow 15% sign area and leave the Tuesday Morning signage as it is on building B of the Dierbergs Shopping Center. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

MISC. OLD BUSINESS—Nothing to report.

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Mr. Al Heinermann of Veolia Waste Systems addressed the Board regarding assisting the city in securing a grant from the St. Louis—Jefferson Solid Waste Management District for recycling carts. He stated that in order to secure the grant the St. Louis-Jefferson Solid Waste Management District would require the City to go from twice weekly solid waste pick up to once weekly and for Veolia's assistance they would like to extend our current contract up to three additional years. After a lengthy discussion it was decided that Mr. Heinermann would go back to Veolia and ask for a cost reduction of more than \$4.47 per quarter for the reduction in solid waste pick up times and this item will be discussed once again during our December 2009 Regular Board meeting. At this time Cristina Kulczycki voiced her disapproval of the extension of the contract without going out for bids with other companies.

Ordinance Providing for the Holding of the General Election Bill No 1509. Alderman Gosh moved, seconded by Alderman Andrews, that Bill No. 1509 was read two times, becomes Ordinance No. 1454.

By Roll Call the Vote was as follows:

	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Not Present
Aitken	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____
Andrews	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____
Gosh	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____
Bruenning	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____
Pohl	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____
Howe	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____
Wittich	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____
Dell'Orco	_____	_____	_____	<u>X</u>

The Ordinance was announced passed. 7- 0.

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Ordinance Amending Chapter 600 “Alcoholic Beverages” of the Municipal Code. Bill No 1510. Alderman Andrews moved, seconded by Alderman Wittich, that Bill No. 1510 was read two times, becomes Ordinance No. 1455.

By Roll Call the Vote was as follows:

	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Not Present
Dell’Orco	_____	_____	_____	<u>  X  </u>
Andrews	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____	_____
Gosh	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____	_____
Bruenning	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____	_____
Pohl	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____	_____
Howe	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____	_____
Wittich	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____	_____
Aitken	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____	_____

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New Police Vehicle

A short discussion was held regarding the accident the Police Chief was in, resulting in his take home car being totaled by the insurance company. The Chief stated he is in negotiations with the insurance company and he believes they will pay the city \$5,339.00 for the car and another \$5,200 for the equipment. He should know by the end of the week. Next a discussion was held regarding the purchase of a new 2010 Crown Victoria Police Interceptor Equipped the same for \$23,019.00. It was noted that if the car was traded in the spring the dealership would only have paid less than \$1,500.00 for it. Alderman Howe moved, seconded by Alderman Andrews to purchase a 2010 Crown Victoria Police Interceptor. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

At this time the Mayor informed the Board that the Real Estate tax rate was wrong by \$0.0030. What that amounts to is out of \$215,000.00 in tax revenue the city will be overpaid by \$645.00. On an average tax bill of \$250.00 it is \$0.75. After a discussion it was decided that the City Attorney will contact St. Louis County to see if they have a procedure in place. If not the City will send a letter to all the residents and tell them what happened and offer to repay them if they can show proof of payment.

MISC. NEW BUSINESS

Alderman Pohl asked why at the South West corner of the tennis courts why there is no walkway. The City Engineer answered that they would have had to put steps in because it was too high so they decided to plant grass. Next she stated the on Monday nights behind Floor Traders there have been tractor trailers parked idling all night. The Chief said he would look into it.

Alderman Gosh asked about the AT&T hole on Rear Dr. The Chief said it is finished except the asphalt. And that should be in place as soon as it stops raining. He than asked if there is a manhole cover and the Chief said yes.

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MISC. NEW BUSINESS Cont.

The Mayor stated the wanted to remind Mark Boland to speak to the City Engineer before he proceeded with resurfacing the tennis courts.

Alderman Howe stated he was happy with the presentation from Capitol Land regarding the requested signage changes. The he mentioned that he also thinks Veolia should reduce the quarterly charge more that \$4.47 for once weekly solid waste pick up.

Alderman Pohl, seconded by Alderman Wittich, the meeting is adjourned. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved. The meeting closed at 8:37 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Mahany, City Clerk

E. William Bergfeld, Jr., Mayor

