

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN
June 17, 2008

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Warson Woods was held on Tuesday, June 17, 2008 at the City Hall, 10015 Manchester Road. The following members of the Board were present:

Mayor E. William Bergfeld, Jr.
Mike Andrews
Mike Dell'Orco
Larry Howe
Gordon Gosh
Mark Wittich
Judith Pohl

Absent: George Bruenning
David Aitken

Also present were City Attorney, Paul Rost, Treasurer, Bill O'Neil, City Clerk/Collector, Kathy Mahany, Chief Robert Stanczak, Building Commissioner, Elijah Cunningham, and Park Commissioner, Jerry Murphy. The Mayor called the Meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC HEARING SETTING THE 2008-2009 BUDGET

Mayor Bergfeld opened the Public Hearing at 7:01p.m. Hearing no comments he closed the Public Hearing at 7:02 p.m.

At this Time the Chief Larry Zeitzmann of the Glendale Fire Department and Assistant Chief Don Bley addressed the Mayor and Board and gave the Annual Fire Report. A short question and answer period followed.

MINUTES

REGULAR BOARD MEETING—May 20, 2008

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

BOARD OF ADJUTSTMENT—May 21, 2008

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

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PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING—May 22, 2008

Alderman Gosh moved, seconded by Alderman Wittich, that the Minutes be accepted as submitted. Alderman Dell'Orco asked why the Committee recommended putting boulders along the edge of Warson Woods Drive. Alderman Wittich explained that it would be to keep cars from driving on the edge of the pavement and further deteriorating the pavement. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

FINANCE COMMITTEE—May 28, 2008

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

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT—June 3, 2008

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

TREASURER'S REPORT—May 2008

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

BILLS AND RECURRING DISBURSEMENTS TO BE APPROVED

Alderman Gosh moved, seconded by Alderman Andrews, 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.

PETITIONS, REQUESTS AND COMPLAINTS- Anthony Hasek, 1625 Dearborn Drive discussed a proposal he received from Benz & Parks regarding relieving the flooding situation at the pool. The Mayor told Mr. Hasek that he would have the City Engineer look at the proposal when he returns. Next Mr. & Mrs. Schweigert, 649 Flanders Dr., discussed repairing the sidewalk in the rear of their property. The Mayor told them that at one time the City was going to repair that sidewalk but the previous owners of the property did not want it to be repaired. He said he would have the City Engineer look into replacing the sidewalk. Lastly, Mr. Tim Robben, 601 Flanders Dr., discussed the erosion problem in his back yard from the creek. He discussed the history of the problem and asked what the current situation is. The Mayor explained that the previous owners of the property on the other side of the creek would not let MSD have access to the creek and the current owners are willing to let MSD have access but since that time, MSD has removed the funding for that project. He said he would also have the City Engineer look into his situation when he returns.

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COLLECTOR—Kathy Mahany, nothing to report.

BUILDING COMMISSIONER—Elijah Cunningham reported only 2 permits were issued this month. He then stated that the Board of Adjustment approved both of the variance requests and one permit has been issued and the other needs to submit more information before a permit can be issued.

PARK COMMISSIONER—Gerry Murphy stated that the resurfacing of the tennis courts began this week but with it being so wet it took longer to fill in the cracks than it normally does. He said they will be working this weekend putting down the new surface. The courts should be open by early next week. He then stated that Gamma Shield Shade Tree is scheduled to come and trim the trees and brush from the creek when the water level recedes.

CITY ENGINEER—Ken Lichtenheld was absent.

CITY ATTORNEY—Paul Rost, nothing to report.

TREASURER—Bill O’Neil, nothing to report.

MAYOR— E. William Bergfeld, Jr. discussed appointing Jack Sturm to the Board of Adjustment Committee. Alderman Dell’Orco moved, seconded by Alderman Pohl to appoint Jack Sturm to the Board of Adjustment Committee. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved. The Mayor then stated he will need to appoint someone to the public Works Committee from Ward 3. Next he stated he contacted Veolia Waste Services and asked them how much it would cost to move the Cities yard waste day from Wednesdays to Mondays. Veolia told him it would cost \$4.50 per month, per home. Alderman Wittich moved, seconded by Alderman Andrews to keep the yard waste day on Wednesdays. On Voice Vote the motion was announced approved. 5 – 1, Ayes, Pohl, Dell’Orco, Andrews, Gosh, Wittich. Nays, Howe.

OLD BUSINESS

Misc. Old Business

Alderman Pohl discussed the recommendations of the Personnel Committee and explained the reason the Police Officer’s Step Program was put into place. After a lengthy discussion Alderman Wittich moved, seconded by Alderman Howe to give the non-step employees a salary increase of 4.1% and the Step employees a 1.1% increase with a 3% increase on their anniversary date. On Voice Vote the motion was unanimously approved. Next employee service awards were discussed. Alderman Pohl moved, seconded by Alderman Howe to accept the recommendation of the Personnel Committee and give service awards to employees as follows:

10 years of service	\$100.00
15 years of service	\$150.00
20 years of service	\$200.00
25 years of service	\$250.00

On Voice Vote the motion was unanimously approved.

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Misc. Old Business Cont.

Alderman Howe asked what the status is on the MSD sump-pump at St. Matthews Church. The City Clerk answered that MSD said they would fix it when the weather cooperates.

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinance Setting the 2008-2009 Fiscal Budget. Alderman Andrews moved, seconded by Alderman Pohl, that Bill 1475 was read two times, after a short discussion Alderman Wittich moved, seconded by Alderman Pohl to Amend Bill 1475 so the Budget will reflect the previous motion of the non-step employees a salary increase of 4.1% and the Step employees a 1.1% increase with a 3% increase on their anniversary date, becomes Ordinance No. 1419.

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>

The Ordinance was announced passed. 6-0

Resolution Adopting an Operating and Maintenance Program for the Prevention and Reduction of Pollution in Storm Water Runoff from Municipal Operations. Resolution No. 061708. Alderman Wittich moved, seconded by Alderman Howe to Adopt Resolution No. 061708. On Voice Vote the motion was unanimously approved.

Ordinance Amending Section 260.045 Entitled "Maintenance of Right of Way"

Alderman Wittich moved, seconded by Alderman Pohl, that Bill 1476 was read two times. After a short discussion Bill No. 1476 becomes Ordinance No. 1420. By Roll Call the Vote was as follows:

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

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Bill No. 1476 Cont.

Wittich	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Aitken	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>

The Ordinance was announced passed. 6-0

Ordinance Entering into a Contract with the City of Glendale for Mosquito Fogging Services. Alderman Wittich moved, seconded by Alderman Howe, that Bill 1477 was read two times. After a short discussion Alderman Wittich moved, seconded by Alderman Howe to Amend the Contract for Bill 1477 to read one fogging every two weeks becomes Ordinance 1421. By Roll Call the Vote was as follows:

	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Not Present
Gosh	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Andrews	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Witte	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Bruenning	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>
Pohl	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Howe	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Wittich	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Aitken	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>

The Ordinance was announced passed. 6-0

MISC. NEW BUSINESS

Alderman Pohl asked where the cell phone towers are located. The Police Chief answered one is in the light standard in the front parking lot of this building and the other is on the copula on top of this building. She then asked if the City receives any money for the towers. She was answered no the building owners, Breihan Properties, receives the tax off the towers. The City does not own this building. Then the City Attorney added that the City does receive a license fee each year from AT&T of \$1,000.00 per tower. Alderman Dell'Orco then asked if AT&T were adding more boxes on Woodlawn. The Chief said no one has applied for a permit but he is keeping an eye on the project and as soon as he see someone working there he will shut the project down and make them come in and apply for permits. Alderman Andrews asked what the quote from Benz & Parks was for that was included in this month's packet. The Mayor said when the City Engineer comes back he will have him look at the proposal before the Board takes action on it next month.

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Misc. New Business Cont.

Alderman Gosh asked how the residents would be notified of the new choice of either one or two day per week for solid waste disposal. The Mayor said Veolia would notify the residents and it is also in the newsletter which is at the printer right now. Next he asked if Police Department was getting any price reduction on the purchase of fuel. The Chief answered yes at BP the department receives an approximately 18% discount and at 7-11 about an 11% discount. Next he discussed Grants for “downtown” revitalization. The City Attorney said he would look into it. The he informed everyone that during the last CERT meeting it was mentioned that the City should try and identify Engineers, Contractors, Architects etc. that live in Warson Woods in the event of a disaster they would be able to identify if a structure would be sound. He also mentioned that during the CERT meeting the Fire Chief informed the committee that the City could put a ¼% Fire sales tax on the ballot for voter approval. The tax money would pay approximately \$90,000.00 of the City’s fire protection cost yearly. Lastly he commended the City’s new lapel pins.

Alderman Wittich stated the date for the Fall Festival is Friday October 3, 2008 and he has already hired the Band to perform for the event.

Adjournment

Alderman Gosh moved, seconded by Alderman Wittich, the meeting is adjourned. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved. The meeting closed at 8:55 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Mahany, CMC, MRCC
City Clerk

E. William Bergfeld, Jr.,
Mayor

