

## **REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN**

March 17, 2020

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Warson Woods was held on Tuesday, March 17, 2020 at the City Hall, 10015 Manchester Road. Upon roll call, the following members of the Board were reported present:

Larry Howe, Mayor  
Mike Dell'Orco  
George Bruenning  
Dawn Bickford  
Gordon Gosh  
Charles Luisetti

Also present were City Attorney Paul Rost, Treasurer Jim Malik, City Clerk Kathy Mahany and Chief of Police Bob Stanczak. Mayor Howe called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Also present was Sergeant Gene Tisius. Aldermen Newman, Alderwomen Pentland and Pfyl were excused. Also excused was Building Commissioner Dan Wilson.

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

### **APPROVAL of the AGENDA**

Alderwoman Dell'Orco moved, seconded by Alderwoman Bickford, that the Agenda be approved as submitted. On Voice Vote the motion was unanimously approved.

### **MINUTES**

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

### **TREASURER'S REPORT—February 2020**

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

### **BILLS & RECURRING DISBURSEMENTS WITHOUT AN ADDENDUM TO BE APPROVED**

Alderman Luisetti moved, seconded by Alderwoman Bickford, that the Bills and Recurring Disbursements, without an Addendum, be approved as submitted. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

GLENDALE FIRE REPORT- February 2020 – No action required.

WARSON WOODS POLICE REPORT-February 2020—No action required.

PETITIONS, REQUESTS AND COMPLAINTS-No action required.

## MISC. REPORTS.

COLLECTOR—Kathy Mahany began by saying with the approval of the City Attorney and Mayor she put a message on the website and Facebook giving informational website links and phone numbers on COVID-19.

Next, she reported that the new owner of Hollyberry Catering has inquired about installing a smoker. Nothing has been submitted yet and probably won't be until COVID-19 is over.

Last she said she contacted Dierberg's Market regarding suspending delivery time restrictions until COVID-19 is over. She said they were very grateful to the City for this action.

BUILDING COMMISSIONER—Dan Wilson was excused.

PARK COMMISSIONER—Gordon Gosh reported the Arbor Day, Tree City USA, program has been canceled due to COVID-19. At this time the Warson Woods Arbor Day celebration is scheduled for April 24<sup>th</sup> but this may also be canceled.

CITY ENGINEER (ACTING)—Mike Dell'Orco began by saying the Audit from Mo. Department of Natural Resources that was scheduled for March 24<sup>th</sup> has been canceled due to COVID-19 and will be rescheduled at a later date.

Next, he said the Infrastructure Master Plan public meeting has also been postponed for the same reason. At this time the Mayor asked what the status is on MSD reinstating Operations, Maintenance & Capitol Improvement ("OMCI") property tax. Mike said no decision has been made as far as he knows.

CITY ATTORNEY—Paul Rost, no report at this time. He and his firm are watching all the developments of COVID-19.

The Mayor asked if there is anything new on the AT&T law suit? Paul answered since the Supreme Court made the decision that AT&T is not paying Cities the correct amount his firm will be sending out letters to AT&T and the other companies explaining they need to start paying the correct amount.

TREASURER—Jim Malik stated that he and the Finance Committee have begun working on the 2020-2021 fiscal budget which will go into effect on July 1, 2020.

Next, he said with COVID-19 many businesses will have to close and this will affect the Cities revenue. He also encouraged everyone to patronize our local restaurants by using their delivery or take out services.

MAYOR—Larry Howe began by following up with what the Treasurer said that the restaurants will have to close their inside dining rooms on Friday at 12:00 a.m. With this in mind, he is proposing to send letters to each food service business telling them that the City is going to temporarily suspend the enforcement of temporary banners in the commercial district so they may advertise delivery or curb side services while the ban is in effect.

Next, he asked the Police Chief what his department is doing as a result of COVID-19. The Chief answered that when the Officers go on an emergency call, they have been instructed to put on the proper protection.

After a discussion it was decided that City Hall will stay open.

At this time the City Clerk pointed out that she is in the age bracket of those most affected by the COVID-19 and that she has a compromised immune system due to a previous illness.

## OLD BUSINESS

### A. Misc. Old Business

Alderman Luisetti asked what the status is on the resident on Meadow Creek who has not complied with his drainage problem. Sergeant Tisius informed everyone that during Court this Month, the

Prosecutor said this is the last continuance that the resident will be given. The problem must be resolved before the May Court Date.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a First Amendment to the Cooperation Agreement with the Cities of Glendale and Oakland for Municipal Court Operations. Bill No 1692. After being read two times by title only Alderman Gosh moved, seconded by Alderman Dell’Orco, that Bill No. 1692 becomes Ordinance No.1635.

After a discussion that included the following items, this contract saves approximately \$7,200 per year, and there will be approximately \$1,000 annually in additional costs for the addition of a Prosecutors Assistant to serve as support to the Prosecutor. On Roll Call the Vote was as follows:

	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Not Present
Pfyl	_____	_____	_____	<u>  X  </u>
Luisetti	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____	_____
Newman	_____	_____	_____	<u>  X  </u>
Pentland	_____	_____	_____	<u>  X  </u>
Bruening	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____	_____
Gosh	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____	_____
Bickford	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____	_____
Dell’Orco	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____	_____

The Ordinance was announced passed 5-0.

- B. Ordinance Approving and Authorizing the Mayor of the City of Warson Woods to Execute a Second Amendment to the Fire Protection and Law Enforcement Services Agreement with the City of Glendale Bill No 1693. After being read two times by title only Alderman Gosh moved, seconded by Alderman Dell’Orco, that Bill No. 1692 becomes Ordinance No.1636.

After a discussion, On Roll Call the Vote was as follows:

	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Not Present
Pentland	_____	_____	_____	<u>  X  </u>
Luisetti	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____	_____
Newman	_____	_____	_____	<u>  X  </u>
Pfyl	_____	_____	_____	<u>  X  </u>
Bruening	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____	_____
Gosh	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____	_____
Bickford	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____	_____
Dell’Orco	<u>  X  </u>	_____	_____	_____

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- A. Misc. New Business

Alderman Luisetti referred to the memo that was included in this month’s packet regarding a new police car. He said he would discuss this with the Finance Committee. He then asked the Chief for the mileage on all the current Police Vehicles.

At this time, he informed everyone that he has scheduled a Finance Meeting for April 16<sup>th</sup>. The meeting may have to be done by conference call. We will have to see what, if any, the restrictions are at that point.

At this time the City Attorney discussed several options which the City could hold meetings with other than in person or a conference call.

Chief Stanczak then referred to another memo he had in this month's packet regarding reimbursement for employee insurance deductibles. Alderman Luisetti said he would take that up with the Finance committee.

Next, he informed the Board that some of our part time officers will not be able to work while the pandemic is going on. They will be required to work overtime at their full-time police departments. He asked if the one part time officer could work full time as long as COVID-19 continues and he said the over time budget will be surpassed until this is over.

Lastly, he said he is purchasing some protective equipment from St. Louis County. As soon as he gets the cost, he will let the Finance Committee know. The Mayor asked about how much he thought it would cost. The Chief answered between \$400.00 and \$500.00 dollars. The Mayor said that would be fine.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Alderman Luisetti moved, seconded by Alderman Dell'Orco, the meeting be adjourned. On Voice Vote, the motion was unanimously approved. The meeting closed at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Mahany, City Clerk

Laurance M. Howe, Mayor