

# CITY OF PLATTE WOODS

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The Board of Aldermen of the City of Platte Woods, Missouri met on Thursday, November 10, 2022, at City Hall, 6750 NW Tower Drive, Platte Woods, Missouri.

## **PRESENT**

John Smedley, Mayor  
Larry Cory, Alderman  
Jane Hoover, Alderman  
Lauren Riggs, Alderman  
Randy White, Alderman

Jessica Shaw, City Administrator/Attorney  
Kathy Rollins, Park Director  
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## **OPENING**

- The meeting was called to order by Mayor Smedley at 7:00 p.m. Mayor asked the Council to review their copies of the September 8, 2022, meeting minutes and today's agenda. Copies provided to all attendees. Mayor Smedley asked for a motion to approve the minutes from September 8, 2022, and today's agenda. Alderman Hoover motioned to approve, Alderman White seconded the motion, all voted aye.

## **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION-**

- None

## **POLICE REPORT**

- Alderman Cory provided report on police activity for the months of September and October, noting an increase in both motor vehicle accidents and traffic stops. Per the report provided by Chief Kerns, there were 114 calls for welfare checks, although this is most certainly a typo – clarification will be sought upon Chief's return from vacation.

## **COURT REPORT-**

- J. Shaw presented the court report for the months of September and October, 2022, with total revenues of \$4,191.00 and \$6,910.50, respectively. Show-Me-Courts training continues, with warrant processing the last major piece to be covered.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ALDERMEN'S REMARKS**

- Alderman White asked about the status of short-term rentals within city limits, with discussion of possible revisions to be made to the City Code in the near future. Discussion was also had as to whether the City or the Municipal Court needs to take any action in connection with the recent passage of recreational marijuana use by Missouri voters.

- Alderman Hoover raised the issue of yard waste not being picked up but this service is not part of the City's contract with GFL. While this service is not part of the City's contract with GFL, Mayor Smedley indicated he would notify the company's operations manager about the problem.
- Kathy Rollins provided report on Imeson Park as follows:
  - Platte County Parks and Rec signage will be ordered and installed at Imeson by the end of the year, at an approximate cost of \$500-\$600.
  - Volunteers are being recruited to help hang Christmas lights on the exterior of the park house.
  - Pricing options are being explored for replacement of the furnace, which is currently inoperable.
  - Rentals have continued to increase as we approach the holiday season, with a number of private rentals and a third Girl Scout Troop using the house for regular weekly meetings.
- There have been lots of predators (coyotes, foxes, hawks) sighted around the City – residents are cautioned to be mindful of the danger to smaller pets. On a related note, 4 deer have been taken in the City's urban hunt program so far.

### **FINANCIAL REPORTS-**

- Treasurer Wortman provided report on the City's financial documents and stated there are no concerns with Paybills resolution, cashflow, or budget vs. actual reports.
- Per Mayor Smedley, the City will be receiving 3 years' worth of county grant money to be used for storm water improvements along Oak Ridge Ct, Hickory, and Tomahawk, along with needed repairs to the road bed at an estimated cost of just over \$351,000.00. Mayor also reported that the City's work comp and general liability rates have gone up from about \$11,000 to \$37,000, as reflected in the forecasted budget for FY2023.
- Alderman Hoover moved to approve Paybills Resolutions #10-13-22 and #11-10-22, 09-08-22, Alderman Cory seconded, and all voted aye.

### **MAYOR'S REMARKS-**

- Storm water improvements are on track to be finished within the next month.
- Grant money previously awarded for Imeson Park will be released to the City as soon as the Platte County Parks and Rec signage is installed on the property (see above). Future park grants are anticipated, with the Park Director to spearhead ideas for future improvements.
- There are 2 memorial benches still available for sponsorship (although one was damaged during shipping, to be repaired or replaced by the manufacturer). Per Alderman Cory, Weatherby Lake's former police chief has pledged funds toward the dedication of one of these benches to Platte Woods' former police chief, Mike Benne, with additional funding efforts being pursued by Chief Kerns and Susan Morrow (a former officer with the City).
- Mayor Smedley asked for a motion authorizing payment for the Parks and Rec sign to be installed at Imeson and the disbursement of funds for the latest round of storm water improvement work.

### **NEW BUSINESS-**

- None.

### **OLD BUSINESS-**

- None.

**ADJOURNMENT-**

-Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Alderman White so moved, Alderman Riggs seconded, and all voted aye. Meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m. The next meeting will be held on December 8, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted- J. Shaw