



CITY OF PLATTE WOODS

6750 NW Tower Drive - Platte Woods, Missouri - (816) 741-6688

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Platte Woods, Missouri met August 15, 2019 at City Hall, 6750 NW Tower Drive, Platte Woods, Missouri.

PRESENT

John Smedley Mayor
Randy White Alderman
Larry Cory Alderman
Bert Lawson Alderman
Jane Hoover Alderman (Absent)

Judy Hull, Treasurer
Amber Moore, City Clerk
Chief Kerns
Erika Nielson, Park Director
Jessica Shaw, City Attorney/Court Clerk

Community members: 12

OPENING- The meeting was called to order by Mayor Smedley at 7:00 pm. Smedley asked the Council to review their copies of the July 11, 2019, meeting minutes and today's agenda. Copies of the agenda provided to all attendees. Mayor asked for a motion to approve the minutes from July 11, 2019, and today's agenda. Alderman Lawson motioned to approve, Alderman Cory seconded the motion, all voted aye.

LEVY HEARING-7:06pm

-Mayor announced that the city received an official letter from the Office of Nancy Armstrong regarding Post BOE Aggregate Assessed Valuations (AAV).

-Increase in valuations in the City of Platte Woods – the city's tax levy has risen to a rate of .7702 of the revenue budget, not to exceed \$91,395 in 2019-2020.

-Resident asked about police services paid by Lake Waukomis and how that will reflect on the City's budget. Mayor explained that work comp insurance rates for law enforcement officers have risen due to an increase of fatal accidents statewide. Additional costs include retirement program for full time officers. Currently, the Police Department employs a total of 18 sworn officers, with 3 full-time officers. All additional costs for the police department are covered by fees charged to Lake Waukomis

-Public levy hearing closed at 7:14pm.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION-

-None.

POLICE REPORT-

-Chief Kerns reported on July 2019 police activity. Reports given to councilmembers in packets.

COURT REPORT-

-J. Shaw presented the July 2019 court report, with \$10,043.50 in total revenue and 79 cases disposed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ALDERMEN'S REMARKS

-Alderman Lawson asked for additional gravel to be placed under the Platte Woods City sign. Mayor informed that the City could coordinate with the Park Director in purchasing additional gravel.

-Alderman Lawson was concerned about the number of vehicles parked at a residence within the city limits. Chief Kerns explained that the police department is closely monitoring that location.

-Alderman White informed the council that there is a stop sign that needs to be repaired or replaced. Mayor explained it has been removed and the City is working on replacing it.

-E. Nielson shared that roofing and exterior paint work has been completed on the Imeson Park house and interior repairs caused by water damage have begun. Landscaping will begin in late September or early October, to include new exterior lighting. Emails will be going out to the individuals that have committed to purchase memorial benches. Of the 7 available benches, 6 have been accounted for, including one to be paid for out of the Imeson park fund. Approximate cost is \$1,800, with additional costs for shipping estimated at \$200.

-E. Nielson stated that there are 5 or 6 culverts that have been stored at the park. An individual has requested to take possession of the culverts. Mayor will present the culverts for abandonment by the City pursuant to state statute. The culverts have minimal value and not usable by the City. Mayor asked for a motion to abandon the culverts. Alderman Lawson motioned to approve and Alderman White seconded the motion. All voted aye. The City will allow seven days for bids from the public before disposal.

FINANCIAL REPORTS-

-Judy Hull gave the report on the city's financial documents. There are no concerns with Paybills resolution, cashflow or budget vs. actual documents. Alderman Lawson motioned to approve Paybills Resolution #08-15-19, Alderman Cory seconded, and all voted aye.

MAYOR'S REMARKS-

-Mayor has spoken with the City of Lake Waukomis' Public Works department about contracting snow removal for Platte Woods. No decisions have been made at this point.

-Mayor met with City of Lake Waukomis in regards to the current police services agreement. City of Lake Waukomis is pleased with the agreement and is looking to renew in the future.

-Mayor attended the Platte County Mayors' meeting where there was discussion about the state's legislative agenda for 2019-2020. Issues covered included transportation, court reform, and state elected official term limits moving forward.

-Mayor was present at the Parkville Special Road District, to ensure accurate information is received for local control.

-Mayor gave an update on the 72nd Street construction project, which has been at a standstill for 4 weeks. A meeting was scheduled a week prior with Kansas City, Platte County, and Platte Woods to determine a solution. The original test samples of the soil showed 2 good results and 2 bad results. The plasticity index of the road bed is not adequate. There is currently a \$600,000 to \$700,000 discrepancy on fair price to ensure proper longevity of the road. The parties involved are hoping to reach a resolution in the next week so that construction can continue.

-Resident asked about the possibility of opening the road during the shutdown. Mayor shared that his main concern is getting the road open for police, ambulance, and trash service. There is little that can be done by Platte Woods, however, as this is a Kansas City project.

-Resident ask for an anticipated re-opening date. Mayor estimated that phase one could be complete by Christmas 2019.

NEW BUSINESS-

-New business application- Jason Ayers Insurance Group, 6600 NW Tower Dr., Ste 103–Mayor asked for approval of business license. Alderman White motioned to approve, Alderman Cory seconded the motion, all voted aye.

-J. Shaw shared information about accepting online and credit cards payments thru CourtMoney. There is no cost to the City and all liabilities are handled thru CourtMoney. Mayor asked for a motion to approve accepting online payments thru CourtMoney. Alderman Lawson motioned to approve accepting payments via online access provided by CourtMoney, Alderman White seconded the motion, all voted aye.

-Mayor asked for approval of the levy tax rate of .7702 and the amended budget for 2019-2020. Alderman Cory motioned to approve same. Alderman White seconded the motion and all voted aye.

-Mayor asked for a motion to approve contract with Dudley Construction for street repair, not to exceed \$30,000. Alderman Lawson motioned to approve contract. Alderman White seconded the motion, all voted aye.

OLD BUSINESS-

-None

CLOSED SESSION – Pursuant to RSMo. 610-021 (3)

-Mayor asked for a motion to approve closed session pursuant to RSMo 610.021(3). Alderman Lawson motioned for closed session, Alderman Cory seconded the motion, all voted aye.

-Entered close session at 8:17pm

PUBLIC COMMENTS-

-None.

ADJOURNMENT-

-Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Alderman Lawson so moved, Alderman White seconded, and all voted aye. Meeting adjourned at 8:59 p.m. The next meeting will be held on September 12, 2019 at 7:00pm.

Respectfully submitted- A. Moore