# CITY OF PLATTE WOODS

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The Board of Aldermen of the City of Platte Woods, Missouri met on Thursday, October 12, 2023, at City Hall, 6750 NW Tower Drive, Platte Woods, Missouri.

## PRESENT

John Smedley, Mayor Larry Cory, Alderman Eric Wright, Alderman Jane Hoover, Alderman

Jessica Shaw, City Administrator/Attorney Kathy Rollins, Park Director Public: 3

## **OPENING**

- The meeting was called to order by Mayor Smedley at 7:04 p.m. Mayor asked the Council to review their copies of the August 17, 2023, meeting minutes and today's agenda. Copies made available to all attendees. Mayor Smedley asked for a motion to approve the minutes from August 17, 2023, and today's agenda. Alderman Hoover motioned to approve, Alderman Wright seconded the motion, all voted aye.

#### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION-

- Resident Kimberly Knowles requested follow up information re: the storm water drain adjacent to her property. Mayor Smedley indicated that he plans to meet with potential contractors and a county engineer sometime during the 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> week of November to collect information for the stormwater grant application due in December, and the resident's concerns are going to be taken up with them as part of this process.

#### POLICE REPORT

- Chief Kerns recognized Sgt. Bill Babbitt for his twenty years of service with the Platte Woods Police Department, noted his many accomplishments, and presented him with a commemorative timepiece, certificate of appreciation, and retirement ID card.

-Chief Kerns provided report on police activity for the months of August and September, noting that only 6 self-initiated stops were made during this period due to the ongoing shortage of county dispatchers. New dispatchers have been hired and are going through training so police activity is expected to pick back up by the end of the year.

-Following discussion about a recent incident involving a rabid raccoon, with Chief Kerns clarifying that residents should report diseased and/or dangerous wildlife to the Missouri Department of Conservation first, and then to the non-emergency county dispatch number. -Bridge work may be completed as soon as November, eight months ahead of schedule.

## COURT REPORT-

- J. Shaw presented the court report for August and September. Only 1 new case was filed, 88 58 cases were resolved, and \$7,281.00 collected in fines and court costs. Show-Me-Training continues with no significant issues to report.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ALDERMEN'S REMARKS

- Alderman Hoover inquired about dirt bikes and similar motorized vehicles being driven by unlicensed minors, as well as such vehicles being driven along Prairie View at night without headlamps or other appropriate lighting. Chief Kerns clarified that such vehicles are not to be operated on public streets and should be reported.

-Kathy Rollins provided report on Imeson Park, noting some of the bigger events that have been scheduled, including Alderman Cory's wedding.

## FINANCIAL REPORTS-

- In Treasurer Wortman's absence, Mayor Smedley provided report on the City's financial documents.

- Alderman Hoover moved to approve Paybills Resolution #10-12-23A (August) and #10-12-23B (September), Alderman Wright seconded, and all voted aye.

## MAYOR'S REMARKS-

- The Ward 2 Alderman seat previously held by L. Riggs remains vacant, with Mayor Smedley seeking residents who are interested and willing to be appointed to the position for the remainder of the term.

#### **NEW BUSINESS-**

None.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**-

-Further discussion was had regarding potential regulations to be placed on short-term rentals and right-of-way access, with input from members of the public in attendance.

#### ADJOURNMENT-

-Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Alderman Wright so moved, Alderman Hoover seconded, and all voted aye. Meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m. Next meeting announced for November 9, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted- J. Shaw