

CITY OF PLATTE WOODS

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The Board of Aldermen of the City of Platte Woods, Missouri met January 14, 2021 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

Chief Kerns (Absent)
Amber Moore, City Clerk
Jessica Shaw, Court Clerk/City Attorney

Community members: 1

OPENING

- The meeting was called to order by Mayor Smedley at 7:02 pm. Smedley asked the Council to review their copies of the December 10, 2020 meeting minutes and today's agenda. Copies of the agenda provided to all attendees. Typos discovered and corrections agreed upon. Mayor asked for a motion to approve the minutes from December 10, 2020 and today's agenda. Alderman Lawson motioned to approve, Alderman Hoover seconded the motion, all voted aye.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION-

- None.

POLICE REPORT

- Alderman Cory reported on December 2020 police activity. Copies of police activity given to Alderman.

COURT REPORT-

- J. Shaw presented the December 2020 court report, with \$3015.00 in total revenue and 33 cases disposed of.

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ALDERMEN'S REMARKS

- Alderman White reported that he delivered welcome bags to new residents and they were very appreciative.
- Alderman White reported that there's a tree down at 7420 NW Tomahawk and Mayor Smedley indicated that he's talked to the property owner about getting it taken care of.
- Alderman White also inquired about the lack of lane markings on NW 72nd Street and Mayor Smedley reported that he followed up on this issue with Anthony Sands and expects this issue will be resolved sometime in March, when directional indicators will be installed on the new signal lights.

- Alderman Hoover brought up that the City's website needs to be updated with new information for 2021, such as trash pick-up dates, contact information, and forms.
- Mayor Smedley reported that certain minor improvements have been completed at Imeson Park by the community service volunteer who has been working there, with the exception of some electrical items that the City will complete on its own.

FINANCIAL REPORTS-

- Alderman Hoover gave the report on the city's financial documents and stated there are no concerns with Paybills resolution, cashflow or budget vs. actual documents. She further stated her belief that the City is being fiscally conservative and responsible in light of COVID constraints. Clarification was offered by City Clerk Moore as to the accounting of funds collected from Imeson Park rentals. Alderman Lawson motioned to approve Paybills Resolution #12-10-20, Alderman White seconded, and all voted aye.
- Alderman Hoover inquired as to income generated on the Imeson Park fund. Mayor Smedley reported that the fund is doing well, and invited Alderman Hoover to review the online statements the City receives.

MAYOR'S REMARKS-

- Election filing deadline set to expire 1/19/21, with no one other than incumbents having filed thus far. There's a possibility that if no challengers file, the City may not be required to hold an election, but the City Attorney will be checking state law to verify this.
- Park, road, and storm water grants are to be pursued this spring, along with pursuit of bids for finish work on recent road improvements within the City.

NEW BUSINESS-

- New Business Approval- Birdie Bird Quilting: Owner Jean Bishop provided information and answered questions from the Board of Aldermen about her proposed business, which operates largely online at this point. No significant impact on City services expected and no special accommodations necessary. Signage, if any is to be installed, will require approval by the Board and Ms. Bishop is to provide a Certificate of No Tax Due to supplement her Occupation License Application.
- Jessica Shaw sworn in as new City Clerk, with no objection from any member of the Board of Alderman.
- Kathy Rollins has volunteered to assist the City with rentals of Imeson Park as necessary, until such time as a formal Park Advisory Committee can be formalized and a new Park Director appointed.
- Mayor Smedley reported that the City has obtained a federal grant for a joint project with the City of Kansas City for the installation of a new sidewalk/bike lane/crosswalk along the commercial portion of NW Prairie View. The cooperative agreement with Kansas City is to be executed within the next week, after which the bidding process will begin. The City's federal grant funds will be transferred to Kansas City, with installment payments to be set up for the remainder of the City's financial obligations under the cooperative agreement. Mayor Smedley asked for a motion to approve the contract and payment schedule, Alderman Hoover motioned to approve, Alderman Cory seconded the motion, and all voted aye.
- NW Valley and NW Tomahawk streets to be repaired next as part of Phase III of the City's road improvement plan.

- Mayor Smedley has been tracking vacant homes and homes for sale within city limits, with an eye toward ensuring compliance with ordinances and maintaining property values.

CLOSED SESSION- SECTION 610.021(3) – Personnel

- Closed session began at 7:40 p.m.
- Closed session concluded at 8:02 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS-

- None.

ADJOURNMENT-

-Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Alderman Hoover so moved, Alderman Lawson seconded, and all voted aye. Meeting adjourned at 8:24 p.m. The next meeting will be held on February 11, 2021 at 7:00pm.

Respectfully submitted- J. Shaw