

CITY OF PLATTE WOODS

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The Board of Aldermen of the City of Platte Woods, Missouri met February 11, 2021, at City Hall, 6750 NW Tower Drive, Platte Woods, Missouri.

PRESENT

John Smedley Mayor
Randy White Alderman
Larry Cory Alderman
Jane Hoover Alderman

Assistant Chief Dave Gallaher
Jessica Shaw, City Clerk/Attorney

Community members: 1

OPENING

- The meeting was called to order by Mayor Smedley at 7:00 p.m. Smedley asked the Council to review their copies of the February 11, 2021 meeting minutes and today's agenda. Copies of the agenda provided to all attendees. Mayor asked for a motion to approve the minutes from January 14, 2021, and today's agenda. Alderman Cory motioned to approve, Alderman White seconded the motion, all voted aye.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION-

- None.

POLICE REPORT

- Assistant Chief Gallaher reported on February 2021 police activity and copy of police report given to Aldermen.

COURT REPORT-

- J. Shaw presented the February 2021 court report, with \$1,360.00 in total revenue and 13 cases disposed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ALDERMEN'S REMARKS

- Alderman Cory inquired as to whether letters have been sent out to residents re: dead trees and Asst. Chief Gallaher confirmed that they have.
- Kathy Rollins provided an update on improvements at Imeson Park, including the results of her research on exterior lighting options with an automatic dusk-to-dawn feature. She anticipates that the City can purchase 4 light poles at a cost of \$1,275 each, with additional supplies and materials (such as conduit, concrete, and LED lights) to total less than \$500.00. Mayor Smedley asked for a motion to approve lighting-related expenses not to exceed \$7,000.00, Alderman Hoover so moved, Alderman Cory seconded, and all voted aye.

FINANCIAL REPORTS-

-Alderman Hoover reported on the City's financial documents and stated there are no concerns with Paybills resolution, cashflow, or budget vs. actual reports.

-Alderman White moved to approve Paybills Resolution 03-11-21, Alderman Cory seconded, and all voted aye.

MAYOR'S REMARKS-

- City business is picking up now that the weather has improved, with an increase in traffic, police activity, the addition of 6 or 7 new families to the City, and an uptick in the issuance of construction/building permits.

NEW BUSINESS-

- Due to budget constraints, the City's prior janitorial services contract was suspended. Now that the City is seeing an increase in revenue, and expects this trend to continue, Mayor Smedley proposes entering into a new contract for cleaning services at both City Hall and Imeson Park. This will not be an employee position, but more of a community service opportunity for juvenile or young adult applicants. The City has already received interest from one applicant, with an interview to be scheduled in the near future. The scope of this proposed service contract was discussed, with Alderman Hoover proposing that we include a plan for deep cleaning to occur at City Hall sometime this spring. Mayor Smedley asked for a motion approving the posting and execution of the contract, Alderman White so moved, Alderman Hoover seconded, and all voted aye.

- Per Mayor Smedley, Alderman Lawson is currently reviewing the stormwater grant application pertaining to the replacement of the culvert under Hickory Lane and closure of the open ditch from Hickory Lane down to Valley Road, and the application and supporting documentation will also be made available to other council members should they wish to review it. Mayor Smedley gave a synopsis of the application and supporting documents, then asked for a motion to approve submission of the grant paperwork upon Alderman Lawson's completed review. Per Mayor, the application is due on April 19, 2021. Alderman Hoover motioned to approve, Alderman Cory seconded, and all voted aye.

- Mayor Smedley reported that a revised budget has been prepared. As a result of the pandemic, the City's budget had a \$62,000.00 shortfall. After staffing changes and the receipt of state/federal pandemic relief funds, the revised 2021 budget is down to an approximate \$27,000.00 deficit. Mayor Smedley expressed his anticipation that the City will be able to make up this deficit thru the remainder of the calendar year. This business item will be set over to next month's council session for final approval, so as to allow the Board an opportunity to review the changes.

- With recent changes to state laws, the City needs a new ordinance re: signage. It has also been determined that the City's fire fund ordinance needs to be repealed and liquor license limits need to be changed. Accordingly, Mayor Smedley asked for approval of proposed Ordinance 858 – An Ordinance Revising Sections 215 & 710 of the City of Platte Woods Code Relating to Nuisances, Liquor License Limits, and Fire Protection Fees. J. Shaw read Ordinance No. 858 twice by title. After asking about some of the new signage requirements, Alderman White motioned to approve with roll call, Alderman Cory seconded, roll call taken and all voted aye.

OLD BUSINESS-

- None.

ADJOURNMENT-

-Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Alderman Hoover so moved, Alderman Cory seconded, and all voted aye. Meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m. The next meeting will be held on April 8, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted- J. Shaw