



City of  
**Woodson Terrace**  
Missouri  
Minutes

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REGULAR BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING

Woodson Terrace City Hall

August 21, 2025

**CALL TO ORDER**

A meeting of the Board of Alderman of the City of Woodson Terrace was held on Thursday, August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2025, at City Hall, 4323 Woodson Road. Alderman Mills presided and called the meeting to order at 7 pm.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Alderman Mills led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL**

Aldermen Present

John Belford  
Caroline Martin  
Gregory Mills  
Stephen Stewart  
Joan Willey  
Maryanne Zaiz

Aldermen Absent

Robert Welby

Also present were Mayor Lawrence Besmer, City Administrator Doug Zaiz, Director of Public Works Doug Hill, Chief of Police Danny Brown, City Clerk Sarah Piel, City Attorney Kyle Cornin and members of the general public.

**CLOSED SESSION**

At this time Mayor Besmer advised we needed to go into closed session. Alderman Zaiz made the motion, seconded by Alderman Mills.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Following a motion from Alderman Greg Mills, seconded by Alderman Caroline Martin; the Board unanimously approved minutes from the July's Board Meeting. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF PAYMENT  
OF THE BILLS**

Following a motion from Alderman Mills seconded by Alderman Belford, the Board unanimously approved the payment of the bills.

**OPEN FORUM FOR  
CITIZENS**

Resident Tom Gibson at 9531 Margo Ann, raised concerns about the stop sign at Margo Ann and Beauty, stating that it gets run by cars all the time and he has seen people almost get hit. Police Chief Danny Brown advised PD has been sitting at that stop sign more and are working on that area. There was discussion about speed bumps or a flashing stop sign.

Resident Marilyn Flatley at 9346 Guthrie, asked about pool passes for grandchildren. City Clerk Sarah Piel advised all grandchildren can get individual pool passes and each pass can bring one guest. She thought the information should be shared better, Sarah advised we can try to be more descriptive in the Spring Newsletter.

Marilyn also raised concern about behind the Dollar General trash is building up and is causing rodents. She thinks the City should clean it more frequently. Doug Hill explained they cleaned it as much as they could and the process to do so is not always quick as it requires a court order to touch the property, but he will try to get it done again as soon as he can.

Marilyn had other topics she wanted to talk about, but she ran out of time.

Resident Falicia English at 9511 Corregidor, advised she is not happy with our trash service Waste Connections as they were not picking up her bulk trash and asked if there was a way she could change companies. She was told that all residents have to have Waste Connections but for bulk trash service they should pickup you do have to call them to have it scheduled for pickup.

**CHIEF OF POLICE**

Police Chief Danny Brown advised the board they just offered someone a position as a patrolman and are expecting him to start in the next couple week and that will bring the department to full staff.

**CITY COLLECTOR**

City Clerk Sarah announced the July's Collector's Report. The official document is available at City Hall.

**CITY ADMINISTRATOR**

No Report

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| CITY CLERK               | City Clerk Sarah Piel let the Board know the City has started planning the Halloween party this year and invited all the Alderman and City staff to participate.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                  |       |                 |       |                |       |                  |       |                 |       |               |       |                  |       |                 |       |                |       |                  |       |                 |       |               |       |
| COURT CLERK              | City Clerk Sarah Piel advised the Board the court totals for July are \$5,098.19                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                  |       |                 |       |                |       |                  |       |                 |       |               |       |                  |       |                 |       |                |       |                  |       |                 |       |               |       |
| ALDERMAN COMMENTS        | No Report                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                  |       |                 |       |                |       |                  |       |                 |       |               |       |                  |       |                 |       |                |       |                  |       |                 |       |               |       |
| MAYOR                    | No Report                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                  |       |                 |       |                |       |                  |       |                 |       |               |       |                  |       |                 |       |                |       |                  |       |                 |       |               |       |
| <u>COMMITTEES:</u>       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                  |       |                 |       |                |       |                  |       |                 |       |               |       |                  |       |                 |       |                |       |                  |       |                 |       |               |       |
| PUBLIC WORKS             | Alderman Zaiz gave the report from the Public Works meeting held at 6:45pm August 21 <sup>st</sup> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                  |       |                 |       |                |       |                  |       |                 |       |               |       |                  |       |                 |       |                |       |                  |       |                 |       |               |       |
| BUDGET, WAGE & JOB STUDY | <p>Alderman Mills made a motion seconded by Alderman Belford to approve the purchase of new cameras for the Police building totaling \$11,835.00 The vote was as follows:</p> <table> <tr><td>Alderman Belford</td><td>“Aye’</td></tr> <tr><td>Alderman Martin</td><td>“Aye”</td></tr> <tr><td>Alderman Mills</td><td>“Aye”</td></tr> <tr><td>Alderman Stewart</td><td>“Aye”</td></tr> <tr><td>Alderman Willey</td><td>“Aye”</td></tr> <tr><td>Alderman Zaiz</td><td>“Aye”</td></tr> </table> <p>Motion Passed.</p> <p>Alderman Zaiz made a motion seconded by Alderman Martin to approve the purchase of new trees for John L Brown Park totaling \$3,384.00 The vote was as follows:</p> <table> <tr><td>Alderman Belford</td><td>“Aye’</td></tr> <tr><td>Alderman Martin</td><td>“Aye”</td></tr> <tr><td>Alderman Mills</td><td>“Aye”</td></tr> <tr><td>Alderman Stewart</td><td>“Aye”</td></tr> <tr><td>Alderman Willey</td><td>“Aye”</td></tr> <tr><td>Alderman Zaiz</td><td>“Aye”</td></tr> </table> <p>Motion Passed.</p> | Alderman Belford | “Aye’ | Alderman Martin | “Aye” | Alderman Mills | “Aye” | Alderman Stewart | “Aye” | Alderman Willey | “Aye” | Alderman Zaiz | “Aye” | Alderman Belford | “Aye’ | Alderman Martin | “Aye” | Alderman Mills | “Aye” | Alderman Stewart | “Aye” | Alderman Willey | “Aye” | Alderman Zaiz | “Aye” |
| Alderman Belford         | “Aye’                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                  |       |                 |       |                |       |                  |       |                 |       |               |       |                  |       |                 |       |                |       |                  |       |                 |       |               |       |
| Alderman Martin          | “Aye”                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                  |       |                 |       |                |       |                  |       |                 |       |               |       |                  |       |                 |       |                |       |                  |       |                 |       |               |       |
| Alderman Mills           | “Aye”                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                  |       |                 |       |                |       |                  |       |                 |       |               |       |                  |       |                 |       |                |       |                  |       |                 |       |               |       |
| Alderman Stewart         | “Aye”                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                  |       |                 |       |                |       |                  |       |                 |       |               |       |                  |       |                 |       |                |       |                  |       |                 |       |               |       |
| Alderman Willey          | “Aye”                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                  |       |                 |       |                |       |                  |       |                 |       |               |       |                  |       |                 |       |                |       |                  |       |                 |       |               |       |
| Alderman Zaiz            | “Aye”                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                  |       |                 |       |                |       |                  |       |                 |       |               |       |                  |       |                 |       |                |       |                  |       |                 |       |               |       |
| Alderman Belford         | “Aye’                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                  |       |                 |       |                |       |                  |       |                 |       |               |       |                  |       |                 |       |                |       |                  |       |                 |       |               |       |
| Alderman Martin          | “Aye”                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                  |       |                 |       |                |       |                  |       |                 |       |               |       |                  |       |                 |       |                |       |                  |       |                 |       |               |       |
| Alderman Mills           | “Aye”                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                  |       |                 |       |                |       |                  |       |                 |       |               |       |                  |       |                 |       |                |       |                  |       |                 |       |               |       |
| Alderman Stewart         | “Aye”                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                  |       |                 |       |                |       |                  |       |                 |       |               |       |                  |       |                 |       |                |       |                  |       |                 |       |               |       |
| Alderman Willey          | “Aye”                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                  |       |                 |       |                |       |                  |       |                 |       |               |       |                  |       |                 |       |                |       |                  |       |                 |       |               |       |
| Alderman Zaiz            | “Aye”                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                  |       |                 |       |                |       |                  |       |                 |       |               |       |                  |       |                 |       |                |       |                  |       |                 |       |               |       |

**PLANNING & ZONING**

No Report

**ECONOMIC  
DEVELOPMENT**

No Report

**SPECIAL PROJECTS/  
PARK BOARD**

Alderman Joan Willey announced August's Beautification winner.

**VETERANS  
COMMITTEE**

Alderman Martin advised the Board that the Veterans Day Programs will be at the park in November on Veterans Day this year. She also let everyone know there is a Neighborhood watch meeting on Thursday August 28<sup>th</sup> at the community center.

**LEGILATION:**

**RESOLUTION R4-2025  
CONFLICTS OF  
INTEREST**

Mayor Lawrence Besmer called for a motion to have Resolution R4-2025 introduced and read once by title only. Alderman Mills made the motion, seconded by Alderman Martin, and unanimously carried. Resolution R4-2025 reads:

*A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WOODSON TERRACE, MISSOURI, TO ESTABLISH A PROCEDURE TO DISCLOSE POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST AND SUBSTANTIAL INTEREST FOR CERTAIN OFFICIALS.*

There was no discussion. The vote thereon was as follows:

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| Alderman Belford | "Aye" |
| Alderman Martin  | "Aye" |
| Alderman Mills   | "Aye" |
| Alderman Stewart | "Aye" |
| Alderman Willey  | "Aye" |
| Alderman Zaiz    | "Aye" |

Motion passed.

**RESOLUTION R5-2025**

**CONTRACT FOR  
COMFORT STATION  
AT JOHN BROWN  
PARK**

Mayor Lawrence Besmer called for a motion to have Resolution R5-2025 introduced and read once by title only. Alderman Mills made the motion, seconded by Alderman Martin, and unanimously carried. Resolution R5-2025 reads:

**LEGILATION**  
**CONTINUED:**

**RESOLUTION R5-  
2025**

**CONTRACT FOR  
COMFORT  
STATION AT JOHN  
BROWN PARK**

*A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY AND C  
RALLO CONTRACTING INC., A MISSOURI CORPORATION, FORPURPOSE OF  
COMPLETING THE JOHN BROWN PARK COMFORT STATION*

There was no discussion. The vote thereon was as follows:

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|------------------|-------|
| Alderman Belford | "Aye" |
| Alderman Martin  | "Aye" |
| Alderman Mills   | "Aye" |
| Alderman Stewart | "Aye" |
| Alderman Willey  | "Aye" |
| Alderman Zaiz    | "Aye" |

Motion passed.

**BILL 2239 –  
COMPENSATION  
FOR CITY  
ADMINISTRATOR**

Mayor Lawrence Besmer called for a motion to have Bill 2239 introduced and read twice by title only. Alderman Mills made the motion, seconded by Alderman Martin, and unanimously carried. Bill 2239 reads:

*AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2069 RELATING TO THE  
COMPENSATION OF THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR*

Introduced by Alderman Greg Mills, read by title only. With No discussion, it was read a second time by title only. The vote thereon was as follows:

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|------------------|-------|
| Alderman Belford | "Aye" |
| Alderman Martin  | "Aye" |
| Alderman Mills   | "Aye" |
| Alderman Stewart | "Aye" |
| Alderman Willey  | "Aye" |
| Alderman Zaiz    | "Aye" |

Bill 2239 passes and becomes Ordinance 2081.

**BILL 2240 -  
COMPENSATION  
ORDINANCE 2079**

Mayor Lawrence Besmer called for a motion to have Bill 2240 introduced and read twice by title only. Alderman Mills made the motion, seconded by Alderman Martin, and unanimously carried. Bill 2240 reads:

*AN ORDINANCE AMENDING REFERANCE TO A PRIOR COMPENSATION  
ORDINANCE CONTAINED WITHIN ORDINANCE 2079 NUNC PRO TUNC*

**LEGILATION**  
**CONTINUED:**

The vote thereon was as follows:

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|------------------|-------|
| Alderman Belford | “Aye” |
| Alderman Martin  | “Aye” |
| Alderman Mills   | “Aye” |
| Alderman Stewart | “Aye” |
| Alderman Willey  | “Aye” |
| Alderman Zaiz    | “Aye” |

Bill 2240 passes and becomes Ordinance 2082.

Alderman Mills made a motion seconded by Alderman Zaiz to approve the purchase of No Parking signs for the dead end of Chester on days of trash service.

The vote was as follows:

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|------------------|-------|
| Alderman Belford | “Aye” |
| Alderman Martin  | “Aye” |
| Alderman Mills   | “Aye” |
| Alderman Stewart | “Aye” |
| Alderman Willey  | “Aye” |
| Alderman Zaiz    | “Aye” |

Motion Passed.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With nothing further Alderman Martin made a motion to Adjourn the meeting, seconded by Alderman Mills. With all in favor motion passed. Meeting ended at 7:48pm.

Respectfully Submitted by:

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Sarah Piel, City Clerk