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REGULAR BOARD OF ALDERMAN MEETING
Woodson Terrace City Hall
January 16, 2025

CALL TO ORDER

A meeting of the Board of Alderman of the City of Woodson Terrace was held on Thursday, January 16, 2025 at City Hall, 4323 Woodson Road. Mayor Besmer presided and called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Besmer led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Aldermen Present

John Belford
Joan Willey
Caroline Martin
Gregory Mills
Robert Welby
Maryanne Zaiz

Aldermen Absent

Also present were: Mayor Lawrence Besmer, City Administrator Doug Zaiz, Chief of Police Danny Brown, City Clerk Sarah Piel, City Collector Lindsey Buxman- Serna and members of the general public.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

**APPROVAL OF PAYMENT
OF THE BILLS**

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

**OPEN FORUM FOR
CITIZENS**

Resident Shelly Grimmett at 3901 Edmundson came before the board and advised she had four things she wanted to discuss.

**OPEN FORUM FOR
CITIZENS – CONTINUED**

First thing she was unhappy with was the trash. The price went up and they were not notified and also yard waste stopped until March per the new contract. Mayor Besmer advised that the City did approve a new contract with Waste Connections and there were price increases. We posted it on our website and it will be in our newsletter going out in February.

Second issue she has is with the snow Public Works plowed the street and they covered her driveway after she had just shoveled it. Chief Brown and Members of the board advised that is always a problem with all cities. There is not a lot they can do. Another issue Shelly brought up was there is a drug house down the street and they have been breaking into her property and the police are not doing anything about it. Chief Brown advised her to give him a call next week and they can discuss this issue. The last issue she brought up was the No Parking on one side of the street on Harold. She is not happy that. The side with no parking are the houses with smaller driveways.

CHIEF OF POLICE

Chief Danny Brown announced Christmas in the Streets went great. And One of the new Police Officers played Santa and did a wonderful job. Neighborhood Watch kicks off February 27th.

CITY COLLECTOR

City Collector Lindsey Buxman-Serna announced the December's Collector's Report. The official document is available at City Hall.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR

City Administrator Doug Zaiz announced we are updating our Comprehensive Plan. A Committee was created with a mix of residents and business owners and we chose i5 group.

CITY CLERK

City Clerk announced the winter newsletter is on schedule to go out the first week of February. She also stated the Tree Lighting In December and the Children's Breakfast with Santa went great. There was a record turnout; over 113 Children at the breakfast. She thanked everyone who came out to volunteer.

COURT CLERK

City Clerk Sarah Piel announced the court total for December was \$6,419.50

ALDERMAN COMMENTS

No Report

MAYOR

Mayor Besmer appointed Alderman Belford and Alderman Welby to the Public Works Committee. He also announced Alderman Donna Conlon resigned because she was moving out of the City. Mayor Besmer stated that next month there will be a Public Hearing to amend our fence ordinance

COMMITTEES:

PUBLIC WORKS

Alderman Maryanne Zaiz gave the report for the Public Works. The first snow event for 2025 went without any issues besides vehicles being left on the street. Progress on the Dollar General Strip is moving slowly, planned improvements include a small grocery store and two restaurants. She also announced they are working on improving the wording of the current fence ordinance.

BUDGET, WAGE & JOB STUDY

No Report

PLANNING & ZONING

We had a meeting but No Report

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

No Report

**SPECIAL PROJECTS/
PARK BOARD**

No Report

VETERANS COMMITTEE

Alderman Caroline Martin said the veterans are wanting to work more with the city and they are planning the Memorial Day ceremony and also an event that will be for Vietnam Veterans March 22nd.

ADJURNMENT

With nothing further Mayor Besmer called for a motion to adjourn. Alderman Mills made the motion, seconded by Alderman Martin, and unanimously carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

City Clerk, Sarah Piel