



City of
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Missouri
Minutes

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REGULAR BOARD OF ALDERMAN MEETING

Woodson Terrace City Hall

May 15th, 2025

CALL TO ORDER

A meeting of the Board of Alderman of the City of Woodson Terrace was held on Thursday, May 15th, 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
Caroline Martin
Gregory Mills
Stephen Stewart
Robert Welby
Joan Willey
Maryanne Zaiz

Aldermen Absent

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES
APRIL 17, 2025**

Following a motion from Alderman Greg Mills, seconded by Alderman Maryanne Zaiz; the Board unanimously approved minutes from the April Board Meeting. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF PAYMENT
OF THE BILLS**

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

**OPEN FORUM FOR
CITIZENS**

No Report

CHIEF OF POLICE

Police Chief Danny Brown advised that we lost a Sergeant last week. They replaced him with Sergeant Benenati and at the end of May we will be losing another Sergeant.

CITY COLLECTOR

City Collector Lindsey Buxman Serna announced the August's Collector's report. The official document is available at City Hall.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR

No Report

CITY CLERK

City Clerk Sarah Piel stated that Mo American Water has started replacing the lead pipes throughout the city and will be continuing throughout the Summer.

COURT CLERK

City Clerk Sarah Piel announced the court totals for the month of April totaled \$ 3,712.50.

ALDERMAN COMMENTS

Alderman Welby asked if we could put up speed bumps on the streets when we asphalt. Mayor Besmer responded we cannot because the Fire Department advised it causes issues for them. Alderman Martin advised that the Fire department has been going door to door replacing batteries in smoke detectors. Alderman Willey stated that the Spring Newsletter looked very nice.

MAYOR

No Report

COMMITTEES:

PUBLIC WORKS

Alderman Zaiz gave her report from the public works committee, advising Town Hall is on track to open in early July. The pool is up and running, and redevelopment of the Dollar General strip and the old car wash are both moving forward.

COMMITTEES:

**BUDGET, WAGE & JOB
STUDY**

Alderman Mills advised there was a meeting this month. The committee is recommending a cost-of-living raise for all the city employees. Also, the committee is recommending the approval for the public works department to purchase a new code enforcement software. Alderman Mills explained it will be a total of \$3,500 more per year, and entertained a motion for the approval for the purchase of new code enforcement software. Alderman Belford made the motion Alderman Willey Seconded. The vote was as follows.

Alderman Belford	“Aye”
Alderman Martin	“Aye”
Alderman Mills	“Aye”
Alderman Stewart	“Aye”
Alderman Welby	“Aye”
Alderman Willey	“Aye”
Alderman Zaiz	“Aye”

Motion passed.

**SPECIAL
PROJECTS/PARK BOARD**

No Report

PLANNING & ZONING

There was a meeting but no report

**ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT**

No Report

**SPECIAL PROJECTS/
PARK BOARD**

Alderman Willey announced that the Tree lighting will be at the park this year and we will be having hot dogs and hot chocolate and will decorate the whole park. Alderman Willey also announced the May’s beautification winners.

VETERANS COMMITTEE

Alderman Martin announced that the Memorial Ceremony will be on Memorial Day at 9:30 am and will last about an hour or so. We will have some out of town special guests and VFW and our Police department. She also gave out resource books for veterans.

MAYOR

The mayor presented 3 pins to honor the 50th anniversary to family members of veterans that served in the Vietnam War. Woodson Terrace Captain Bret Carbray, Alderman Greg Mills and resident Linda Rainey.

LEGISLATION:

**BILL 2227
COMPENSATION OF
CITY ADMINISTRATOR**

Mayor Besmer called for a motion to have Bill 2227 introduced and read twice by title only. Alderman Mills made the motion, seconded by Alderman Zaiz, and unanimously carried. Bill 2277 reads:

*AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2053 RELATING TO THE
COMPENSATION OF THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR*

Introduced by Alderman Mills, read once by title only, No discussion followed; read second time by title only. The vote thereon was as follows:

Alderman Belford	“Aye”
Alderman Martin	“Aye”
Alderman Mills	“Aye”
Alderman Stewart	“Aye”
Alderman Welby	“Aye”
Alderman Willey	“Aye”
Alderman Zaiz	“abstain”

Bill 2227 passes and becomes Ordinance 2069.

**BILL 2228
COMPENSATION OF
CITY CLERK, FINANCE
MANAGER, COURT
ADMINISTRATOR,
COURT CLERK, CITY
COLLECTOR/ DEPUTY
CITY CLERK**

Mayor Besmer called for a motion to have Bill 2228 introduced and read twice by title only. Alderman Belford made the motion, seconded by Alderman Martin, and unanimously carried. Bill 2228 reads:

*AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2054 RELATING TO THE
COMPENSATION OF THE CITY CLERK, THE FINANCE MANAGER / DEPUTY CITY
CLERK, COURT ADMINISTRATOR, DEPUTY COURT CLERK / CLERK, THE CITY
COLLECTOR / DEPUTY CITY CLERK*

LEGISLATION
CONTINUED:

BILL 2228
COMPENSATION OF
CITY CLERK, FINANCE
MANAGER, COURT
ADMINISTRATOR,
COURT CLERK, CITY
COLLECTOR/ DEPUTY
CITY CLERK
-CONTINUED

Introduced by Alderman Mills, read once by title only, No discussion followed; read second time by title only. The vote thereon was as follows:

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

Bill 2228 passes and becomes Ordinance 2070.

BILL 2229
COMPENSATION OF
PART TIME CLERICAL
EMPLOYEES

Mayor Besmer called for a motion to have Bill 2229 introduced and read twice by title only. Alderman Mills made the motion, seconded by Alderman Zaiz, and unanimously carried. Bill 2229 reads:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2060 OF THE CITY OF WOODSON TERRACE RELATING TO COMPENSATION FOR PART-TIME CLERICAL EMPLOYEES

Introduced by Alderman Mills, read once by title only, No discussion followed; read second time by title only. The vote thereon was as follows:

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

Bill 2229 passes and becomes Ordinance 2071.

BILL 2230
COMPENSATION OF
DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF
PUBLIC WORKS

Mayor Besmer called for a motion to have Bill 2230 introduced and read twice by title only. Alderman Martin made the motion, seconded by Alderman Mills, and unanimously carried. Bill 2230 reads:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2055 RELATING TO THE COMPENSATION OF THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

LEGISLATION
CONTINUED:

BILL 2230
COMPENSATION OF
DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF
PUBLIC WORKS
-CONTINUED

Introduced by Alderman Mills, read once by title only, No discussion followed; read second time by title only. The vote thereon was as follows:

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

Bill 2230 passes and becomes Ordinance 2072.

BILL 2231
COMPENSATION OF
PUBLIC WORKS
DEPARTMENT

Mayor Besmer called for a motion to have Bill 2231 introduced and read twice by title only. Alderman Mills made the motion, seconded by Alderman Martin, and unanimously carried. Bill 2231 reads:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2056 OF THE CITY OF WOODSON TERRACE RELATING TO THE COMPENSATION OF THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES

Introduced by Alderman Mills, read once by title only, No discussion followed; read second time by title only. The vote thereon was as follows:

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

Bill 2231 passes and becomes Ordinance 2073.

LEGISLATION
CONTINUED:

BILL 2232
COMPENSATION OF A
BUILDING CODE
INSPECTOR

Mayor Besmer called for a motion to have Bill 2232 introduced and read twice by title only. Alderman Mills made the motion, seconded by Alderman Belford, and unanimously carried. Bill 2232 reads:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2061 OF THE CITY OF WOODSON TERRACE RELATING TO THE COMPENSATION FOR THE CITY HOUSING AND BUILDING CODE INSPECTOR/RESIDENTIAL OCCUPANCY INSPECTOR

Introduced by Alderman Mills, read once by title only, No discussion followed; read second time by title only. The vote thereon was as follows:

Alderman Belford	“Aye”
Alderman Martin	“Aye”
Alderman Mills	“Aye”
Alderman Stewart	“Aye”
Alderman Welby	“Aye”
Alderman Willey	“Aye”
Alderman Zaiz	“Aye”

Bill 2232 passes and becomes Ordinance 2074.

BILL 2233
COMPENSATION FOR
CROSSING GUARD AND
PARK RANGER

Mayor Besmer called for a motion to have Bill 2233 introduced and read twice by title only. Alderman Mills made the motion, seconded by Alderman Martin, and unanimously carried. Bill 2233 reads:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2059 OF THE CITY OF WOODSON TERRACE TO AMEND THE HOURLY SALARY FOR TWO PART-TIME NON-CLERICAL POSITIONS

Introduced by Alderman Mills, read once by title only, No discussion followed; read second time by title only. The vote thereon was as follows:

Alderman Belford	“Aye”
Alderman Martin	“Aye”
Alderman Mills	“Aye”
Alderman Stewart	“Aye”
Alderman Welby	“Aye”
Alderman Willey	“Aye”
Alderman Zaiz	“Aye”

Bill 2233 passes and becomes Ordinance 2075.

LEGISLATION
CONTINUED:
BILL 2234

**COMPENSATION OF
SECRETARY TO THE
POLICE CHIEF, AND THE
POLICE CLERK**

Mayor Besmer called for a motion to have Bill 2234 introduced and read twice by title only. Alderman Mills made the motion, seconded by Alderman Zaiz, and unanimously carried. Bill 2234 reads:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2058 OF THE CITY OF WOODSON TERRACE RELATING TO THE COMPENSATION OF THE SECRETARY TO THE POLICE CHIEF, AND THE POLICE CLERK

Introduced by Alderman Mills, read once by title only, No discussion followed; read second time by title only. The vote thereon was as follows:

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

Bill 2234 passes and becomes Ordinance 2076

BILL 2235
COMPENSATION OF
MEMBERS OF THE
POLICE DEPARTMENT

Mayor Besmer called for a motion to have Bill 2235 introduced and read twice by title only. Alderman Mills made the motion, seconded by Alderman Stewart, and unanimously carried. Bill 2235 reads:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2057 OF THE CITY OF WOODSON TERRACE, RELATING TO THE COMPENSATION OF MEMBERS OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Introduced by Alderman Mills, read once by title only, No discussion followed; read second time by title only. The vote thereon was as follows:

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

Bill 2235 passes and becomes Ordinance 2077

LEGISLATION
CONTINUED:

RESOLUTION R2-2025
CONSULTING
AGREEMENT WITH
LAURA MADDEN FOR
ADVISORY SERICES

Mayor Besmer called for a motion to have resolution R2-2025 introduced and read twice by title only. Alderman Mills made the motion, seconded by Alderman Zaiz, and unanimously carried. Resolution R2-2025 reads:

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMAN OF THE CITY OF WOODSON TERRACE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONSULTING AGREEMENT WITH LAURA MADDEN, TO PROVIDE ADVISORY SERVICES WITH RESPECT TO TRANSPORTATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Introduced by Alderman Mills, read once by title only, some discussion followed; read a second time by title only. The vote thereon was as follows:

Alderman Belford	“Aye’
Alderman Martin	“Aye”
Alderman Mills	“Aye”
Alderman Stewart	“Aye”
Alderman Welby	“Aye”
Alderman Willey	“Aye”
Alderman Zaiz	“Aye”

Resolution R2-2025 passes.

RESOLUTION R3-2025
CONTRACT BETWEEN
THE CITY AND SPENCER
CONTRACTING
PERTAINING TO
ASPHALT REMOVAL AND
REPLACEMENT FOR
CITY STREETS

Mayor Besmer called for a motion to have resolution R3-2025 introduced and read twice by title only. Alderman Mills made the motion, seconded by Alderman Martin, and unanimously carried. Resolution R3-2025 reads:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY AND SPENCER CONTRACTING COMPANY, A MISSOURI CORPORATION, FOR PURPOSES OF COMPLETING ASPHALT REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT FOR SEVERAL STREETS WITHIN THE CITY

Introduced by Alderman Mills, read once by title only, No discussion followed; read a second time by title only. The vote thereon was as follows:

Alderman Belford	“Aye’
Alderman Martin	“Aye”
Alderman Mills	“Aye”
Alderman Stewart	“Aye”
Alderman Welby	“Aye”
Alderman Willey	“Aye”
Alderman Zaiz	“Aye”

Resolution R3-2025 passes.

ADJOURNMENT

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 7:50 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

City Clerk, Sarah Piel