**BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING MINUTES**

**CITY OF WOOD HEIGHTS –2098 EAST RIDGE DRIVE**

**WOOD HEIGHTS, MO 64024-2871**

**February 13th, 2023 6:00 PM**

Meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call – Mayor Frank Davitt – Aldermen Kathy Hart – Randy Jones – Bernard Allen – Ron Lambert and City Clerk Merry Marler

Also present at meeting were: David Stephens, Denise Bedford, Trent Grimes, Jeff Philippeit, Ron Prewitt, Laverna Ruckman, Terry Johnston, Michelle Lambert, Jody Carlson, Carrie Ishmael, Allan Boyston with American Waters, Sophia Bales from Richmond News.

Alderman Kathy Hart made a motion to approve the minutes from January 16th, 2023 and Alderman Ron Lambert seconded the motion. All in Favor.

Alderman Kathy Hart made a motion to approve the closed minutes for January 16th, 2023 and Alderman Bernard Allen seconded the motion. All in Favor.

Alderman Bernard made a motion to approve minutes for January 23rd, 2023 Special Meeting and Alderman Ron Lambert seconded the motion. All in Favor.

Alderman Kathy Hart made a motion to approve the closed minutes for January 23rdth, 2023 and Alderman Bernard Allen seconded the motion. All in Favor.

Alderman Kathy Hart made a motion to approve the financials for February 2023 and Alderman Bernard Allen seconded the motion. All in Favor.

Jody Carlson with American Waters informed the board and residents that the rate for the Water and Sewer when they take over is still less than what the City has to charge now and probably will be June before all is done with transfer.

United fiber will be at March meeting.

Alderman Randy Jones made a motion to approve the contract between Anthony Bologna for Wood Heights Prosecutor and the City of Wood Heights. Alderman Ron Lambert seconded the motion. All in Favor.

No public works report.

Communication from the Audience:

David Stephens – Communication between the city and the residents is very poor, notified the city on Sunday about the mail situation and still no response to the public. He requested a copy of the Engineer report for the roads.

Resident Laverna Ruckman moved from Washington State and said she has had a wonderful experience since moving to Wood Heights.

Police report: Police Chief Brandon Ehen informed the board he has had 12 calls this month, he has updated the Facebook account and website. He has notified Dogs owner on Oak street about ordinance on Dogs at large. He informed the Board and residents that Ray County had stepped in and helped with the Mail Carrier incident on Tuesday February 7th, 2023.

Alderman Kathy Hart made a motion to go into Closed Session and Alderman Ron Lambert seconded the motion. All in Favor.

Alderman Ron Lambert made a motion to come back into open meeting and Alderman Bernard Allen seconded. All in Favor.

Alderman Kathy Hart made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Alderman Bernard Allen seconded the motion. All in Favor.

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Mayor Frank J Davitt

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City Clerk Merry Marler