



**MINUTES OF MISSION WOODS CITY COUNCIL  
JANUARY 8, 2013  
7:00 p.m.**

Members Present: Mayor Tietze, Bill Sanders, Jr., Charles Bachand, Mary Hunkeler, Bill Dunn, Jr., Cory Fisher  
Others Present: City Attorney, Chuck Haviland

Mayor Tietze called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The Council reviewed the minutes from its December meeting. Council Member Dunn moved for the approval of the December minutes and Council Member Fisher seconded the motion. The Council voted and the motion was approved.

The next item of business taken up by the Council was approval of the warrants. Some discussion occurred regarding the animal control services for which the City is paying. Council Member Dunn inquired about the products used by animal control services to control animals. Council Member Sanders also reported that his wife recently saw a coyote on the golf course. Council Member Hunkeler moved to approve the warrants and Council Member Sanders seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion carried.

The Council then reviewed the police report. Mayor Tietze indicated that in a recent conversation with Chief Wells, the Chief revealed that holiday season in Mission Woods was uneventful. Mayor Tietze reported that the police department was fully staffed now. A question was raised regarding whether the enhanced staffing would positively affect ticket revenue but the Chief had not provided any projections in that regard.

The next item of business was a review of the third quarter financial results, which were presented by Mr. Haviland. Mr. Haviland provided a recap of the fund balances, including the general fund balance of \$431,000. He explained that this is the fund where the most activity occurs. There had been no activity in capital improvements fund. The special highway fund increased due to tax revenue. Overall, the fund balances went from \$907k to 894k. Mr.

Haviland then directed the Council's attention to the third page, where the funds tied into the financial statements. Mr. Haviland then directed the Council to the General Fund Budget Performance, which showed that revenue from traffic fines was higher than what had been projected. Public safety wages were budgeted at \$26k and so the City is currently within budget of what was anticipated. The timing of when the police department achieved full staffing may impact this number, however. Mr. Haviland summarized that the Council had budgeted a loss for the third quarter and came in ahead of what had been budgeted. He indicated that the City is basically within budget at this time. Final numbers for the year should be in within the next month.

The Mayor then circulated to the Council for consideration a resolution regarding support for the local elementary school. All northeast Johnson County Mayors are asking their respective City Council's to adopt the resolution in support of the Shawnee Mission School District. The Mayor reported that Westwood Hills and Fairway already have adopted the resolution and Westwood and Mission Hills are in the process of presenting the resolution to their respective Councils for consideration. By way of background, the Mayor explained that there has been discussion over the years of closing Westwood View Elementary. This resolution would convey the Council's support for keeping this elementary school open. Council Member Hunkeler moved to approve the resolution and Council Member Dunn seconded the motion. Following a vote of the Council, the motion carried. Council Member Sanders inquired about timing of discussions regarding the closing of the school. Mayor Tietze indicated the school district is currently looking for a new superintendent, so further discussions regarding the closure of the school may not be imminent. Council Members indicated that the elementary school is at capacity and receives accolades from school district and the community. The students currently attending Westwood View Elementary would go to Highlands on Roe in the event the school closed. Council Member Bachand suggested the Mayors of the impacted cities get together and approach Google about getting fiber into the school, which would make the school unique and particularly attractive. The Council also questioned whether the City could guarantee its residents placement at Westwood View if the school was at capacity. The Council expressed an awareness of the need to be proactive about this issue.

Mayor Tietze next presented to the Council for consideration the annual addendum to the City's agreement with the City of Westwood regarding public works services. Mayor Tietze advised that this issue is taken up every year at this time. As the Council reviewed the addendum, the Mayor explained that most charges have increased and the increases are related to the acquisition of new equipment and increases in hourly wages and benefits. A motion to approve the addendum was made by Council Member Bachand, and seconded by Council Member Hunkeler. The vote of the Council passed. A question was raised about the frequency of street cleaning services, which seem less frequent than it had been in the past. Mayor Tietze advised that there is no schedule in place for street cleaning. Instead, the streets are cleaned upon request. The

Council was satisfied with continuing to have the streets cleaned on an as-needed basis, as determined by the Mayor.

The Mayor then turned to Mayor/Council Member Comments. The Mayor passed out letter from Steve Karbank in which Mr. Karbank notes the warm welcome his company has received from Mission Woods. The Mayor also relayed that Mr. Karbank was very complimentary of the swiftness of the approval process in Mission Woods for his project. The Council briefly discussed the project and looked forward with anticipation to the renovation.

The Mayor also reminded Council Members of the deadline for filing forms for running for office. The forms need to be returned to Shelly by January 22, 2013 along with the \$5.00 filing fee. Council Member Sanders inquired if the Mayor had heard from other citizens who may have expressed interest in running for office. The Mayor stated he had not heard from anyone. The Council Members each expressed interest in running for re-election.

The Mayor reminded the Council of discussion that occurred at the December Council meeting about scheduling a time for conversation with residents affected by noise emanating from the Pembroke Hill property, and then scheduling a follow-up meeting with the school. The Mayor will propose dates and times and will also reach out to some of the interested residents to discuss the noise issues. The school was going to post signage on its property regarding noise restrictions, as well as publish a schedule of events for residents. Once this is accomplished, the Council would like to see that the residents are notified, so they are aware that the school has taken these steps.

Finally, the Mayor notified the Council that on Saturday morning, January 12, 2013 at 9:00 a.m., a dedication will take place of the newly-renovated St. Philippine Duchesne Roman Catholic Church located at 5035 Rainbow Blvd., in Mission Woods, with a mass to follow. The Mayor reported that Fred Sherman has been in the church and indicated that the renovations are very well done.

The meeting of the City Council adjourned at 7:43 p.m.