

LEAWOOD VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

November 20, 2018- Minutes

Trustees Present:

Denny Desmond, Chairman
Beverly Kiehl, Vice Chairman
Brad Long, Treasurer
Dale Owen, Clerk
Fran Owen, Secretary

Visitors:

Jim Johnson 519 Grandview Drive
Dan Johnson (City of Joplin) 2725 N Missouri
Jill Cornett 4815 Connecticut

Trustee Absent:

Denny Desmond, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. at the Redings Mill Fire Department located at 5205 S Range Line Road, Joplin, MO 64804.

Minutes from the September 18, 2018 meeting were presented. Motion made by Dale Owen and second by Brad Long to forgo the reading of the minutes as everyone had received copies and accept the minutes as presented. In favor 5 Opposed 0. Motion passed.

Original financial bank statements and bank reconciliation statements for the months of September and October 2018 for the money market account, operating account and sales tax account with a total balance of \$244,743.49 were presented by Brad Long. Statements were reviewed by each trustee, signed and dated. Ending balance for the September 2018 operating account was \$82,951.30, money market \$115,766.77 and sales tax \$41,185.15. Ending balance for the October 2018 operating account was \$87,497.04, money market \$115,781.37 and sales tax \$41,465.08. Motion made by Fran Owen and second by Dale Owen to approve the treasurer report as presented. In favor 5 Opposed 0. Motion passed.

Pending liabilities totaling \$3,245.19 were presented (Lawn Guy - Paul Horton \$1,200.00, Eagle Eye Printing \$200.19-includes \$15.00 set up fee for updating mailing list, Denny Desmond \$595.00, Brad Long \$300.00, Dale Owen \$350.00, Fran Owen \$350.00, Beverly Kiehl \$250.00 compensation per Ordinance 2013-1), ACH payments to Empire District Electric totaling \$717.40 resulting in a total of \$3,962.59 were presented by Brad Long. Motion made by Beverly Kiehl and second by Dale Owen to pay pending liabilities totaling \$3,962.59. In favor 5 Opposed 0. Motion passed.

Denny Desmond presented the Chairman's Report of Financial Information as of October 31, 2018 budget and prior year and CB&T bank transactions for ten months ending October 31, 2018. As of October 31, 2018 there was a net deficit of \$2,749. Motion made by Brad Long and second by Beverly Kiehl to accept and approve the Chairman's Financial Reports. In favor 5 Opposed 0. Motion passed. All trustees signed and dated the report.

Old Business:

- 1 **Operating Procedures and Policies** – Denny Desmond and trustees continue working on the Village of Leawood Procedures and Policies document. Denny Desmond to send (by the end of this year) Paul Horton a 5 year contract agreement for snow removal services at \$1200 paid bi-monthly.
- 2 **Village Ordinances:**
 - A) **Zoning Ordinance** - Denny Desmond still updating the ordinance. Denny will contact Kurt Higgins and see if there are any revisions or changes that need to be made to this ordinance. Nothing new to report at this time.
 - B) **Building Permit Ordinance** –Dale Owen had the ordinance notarized and returned to Denny Desmond for filing with the Newton County Recorder's office. Item closed.
 - C) **Animal Control Ordinance** – Fran Owen and Dale Owen to rewrite the ordinance and present at a future meeting.
 - D) **Parking Ordinance Recommendation** - The Zoning and Planning Board's recommendation for changes to the ordinance was discussed again. Concern of the trustees is how to enforce the ordinance. Dale Owen reported he had discussed this with the Newton County Commissioners and they advised the county has no way to enforce any ordinances in Leawood Village. Their suggestion was to contact the person or persons in violation, Board of Trustees send letters and/or have the village attorney get involved. Tabled for discussion at the next meeting.
- 3 **Comprehensive Plan:**
 - A) Neighborhood Watch – General discussion concerning using a program called "Next Door". Consensus of the trustees was this program would not work for the village residents. Everyone will continue to work thru the Neighborhood Watch Captains.
 - B) Beautification Projects: - Trustees discussed the annual clean-up campaign. Notice to be placed in the January and March issues of the *Leawood Ledger*. Tentative dates will be to have dumpsters set up on April 5, 2019 and removed on April 15, 2019 in the same locations as past years.
- 4 **New Resident Information Packets:** Beverly Kiel reported work was still being done on the packets.
- 5 **Complaints:**
 - A) Water Run-off - Residents and trustees are still concerned about the run off of excessive amounts of water from the property in the City of Joplin located at the intersection of 44th Street and Indiana resulting in flooding, drainage and erosion problems.
 - B) Berm House (possible address 1824 East 50th) - This property appears to have been abandoned and the house contains mold and the yard is overgrown with weeds. Brad Long trying to obtain names and make contact with the owner of the property. Nothing new to report.

6 Connecticut and 44th Street Construction Project:

- A) Water Run-off Along Connecticut Avenue - Trustees and residents will continue to collect data. Dale Owen suggested that the trustees have photographs of the Village of Leawood (44th & Connecticut, 44th & Silver Creek, 44th & Indiana) taken after the first of the year 2019 when leaves are still off the trees and possibly present the photographs and issues to the Joplin City Council . Trustees to discuss further at the November meeting. No decision made at the November meeting.
- B) Dan Johnson from the City of Joplin presented drawings of the 44th Street project. He explained how the project came about, that they had obtained 100% of the right away acquisitions, that a roundabout with a hard center and the size for tractor trailers to traverse would be installed at this intersection, utility work would begin after the first of the year and construction would begin in the spring, that bids would be sent out in January and awarded in February, completion would take a season and a half, and there would be one more public meeting after the contractor had been hired. Estimated cost four million dollars excluding the bridge.

7 Procedures for Handling Complaints – Denny Desmond will continue to update the policy when needed.

8 Boundary & Annexation Survey – Denny Desmond recommended the trustees disregard the survey request at this time as it is an extremely large project. Denny Desmond and Dale Owen approved. Item closed.

9 Leawood Village Ordinance Sign – Dale Owen reported that a new sign was placed at 44th and Oak, replaced the one on Connecticut and the one at 44th and Rangeline will be installed as soon as utility lines have been marked. All signs have been installed. Item closed.

New Business:

- A. **Building Permits:** - None issued.
- B. **Complaints/Issues** - Ron Bowen reported to Denny Desmond about a brown dog running loose on Indiana Street. Denny will send a letter of the owner of the property (house is rental property). Item closed as dog may have been hit by a car and killed.

2. 2019 Budget:

- A. Denny Desmond presented the 2019 budget. Expenses total \$22,258 and revenues \$85,300. Trustees will discuss again at the January 2019 meeting and approve the budget.
- B. Road Repairs – Suggestion by trustees that \$60,000 be placed in the 2019 budget for road repairs. The preliminary budget did not contain any dollar amount for tree trimming or beautification projects. Denny Desmond reported that Kurt Higgins suggested that bids be sent out for sealing cracks in the streets and roads. The village spent \$159,877 on sealing cracks in 2013. Suggestions only do crack sealing and allot \$30,000 for the project in 2019. Trustees will discuss further at the January meeting.

3. Street Lights:

- A. The light at the corner of 50th and Connecticut is not working properly. Beverly Kiehl will contact Empire District Electric and ask them to repair the light.
- B. The lights on the school property located near the roundabout on 50th Street are turned off a majority of the time. Dale Owen will contact Tom & Molly Hamilton and see if they would be agreeable to install a new light on the pole near their property at 50th and Horseshoe Drive.

4. Missouri Department of Revenue Taxation Division – Denny Desmond reported he had received a letter (attached) advising that the village would need to create and maintain a sales and use tax map that details rates of political subdivisions and provide “mapping and geographic data pertaining to the political subdivision’s borders and jurisdictions”. The affidavit and information us be submitted by November 30, 2018. Denny advised he is currently working on the information as required by House Bill 1858.

5. April Election – Denny Desmond advised that anyone interested in placing their name on the April ballot needs to file no later than January 15, 2019. There will be three trustees’ positions open on the board.

6. Village Trash Recycling – Denny Desmond to contact Republic and talk to them about possibly offering recycling to village residents.

Motion made by Dale Owen and second by Denny Desmond to adjourn the meeting. In favor 5 Opposed 0. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned.8:53 P.M. Next scheduled meeting will be on January 15, 2019.

Minutes prepared by:

Minutes approved by:

Fran Owen, Secretary Date

Denny Desmond, Chairman