

LEAWOOD VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

July 21, 2022- Minutes

Trustees Present:

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

Visitors:

Billy Bower 509 Grandview Drive
Dan Gremaud 125 Valley View Drive
Jim Guhr 60 Horseshoe Drive
Alex Jech 4 Emerald Drive

Trustee Absent:

Beverly Kiehl, Vice Chairman

Denny Desmond, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. at the Redings Mill Fire Department located at 344 Redings Mill Road, Joplin, MO 64804. Roll call was taken with four trustees present followed by The Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation.

Minutes from the May 19, 2022 meeting were presented. Motion made by Brad Long and second by Dale Owen to forgo the reading of the minutes as everyone had received copies and accept the minutes as presented. In favor 4 Opposed 0 Absent 1. Motion passed.

Original financial bank statements for the months of May and June 2022 for the money market account, operating account and sales tax account were presented. Balance in the operating account for May 30 was \$93,449.99, money market account \$165,514.45 and sales tax account \$77,296.24, for and ending balance totaling \$337,260.68. Balance in the operating account for June 30, 2022 was \$96,127.93, money market account \$166,517.00 and sales tax account \$79,142.60, for an ending balance of \$341,787.53. Motion made by Fran Owen and second by Dale Owen to accept the treasurer report as presented. In favor 4 Opposed 0 Absent 1. Motion passed.

Pending liabilities totaling \$3,712.02 were presented (Eagle Eye Printing \$253.87 *Leawood Ledger* printing, Warten, Fisher & Lea \$1200.00 Liberty Franchise Tax ordinance); Newton County Treasurer \$3.86 tax collections; Paul Horton \$1,200 snow removal September and October; Hydro-Engineers LLC \$1,651.12 Invoice 1365 meeting with Joplin, US Postal Service \$156.00 annual post box fee, Chris Chapell \$288.17 update of web site \$225 and \$63.17 web site fees, Denis Desmond \$39.00 filing fee for Ordinance 2022-2). ACH payments to Liberty Utilities totaling \$812.41 were presented. Motion made by Dale Owen and second by Fran Owen to pay liabilities totaling \$4,524.43. In favor 4 Opposed 0 Absent 1. Motion passed.

Denny Desmond presented the Village of Leawood Chairman's Report ending June 30, 2022. Motion made by Brad Long and second by Fran Owen to accept the report as presented. In favor 4 Opposed 0 Absent 1. Motion passed. All trustees signed the report.

Old Business:

1 Village Ordinances:

- A) Ordinance 2022-3 Reaffirming the gross receipts tax to be imposed upon electric corporations conducting business within the village – First reading of the ordinance to maintain the exiting rate of 4% of gross receipts for Liberty Utilities was made at 7:05 PM. The second reading of the ordinance was made at 7:09 PM. Motion made by Fran Owen and second by Dale Owen to approve Ordinance 2022-3 as presented. In favor 4 Opposed 0 Absent 1. Motion passed.

2 Comprehensive Plan:

- A) Beautification Projects – Fall Clean-up will be October 1 and 2. Dumpsters will again be at the same locations as in the past. Brad Long will arrange for dumpsters to be delivered on September 30 and removed on October 3.

3 Village Traffic Signs –

Dale Owen reported that a sign located on 50th Street near Connecticut Street had been damaged by a falling tree. Dale Owen advised he had repaired the sign. Item closed.

4 Issues around the Village:

- A) Travis Sampson Property – Located on Connecticut Street between 45th and 46th streets has a shed that sits outside the front fence line. Building permit was issued but shed is in violation of ordinance. Mr. Sampson will request a variance from Zoning and Planning Board.

5 44th Street Water Run-off –

Dr. Chuck Morris, Brad Long and Denny Desmond met with Joplin City officials, GBH Engineering firm representative, and Rob Beachner, Mortise Engineering on May 10th, 2022. A of this meeting date, Joplin city officials have not responded. Denny Desmond will try once more time to make contact Joplin city officials and if not successful the next step will be to contact the Joplin city manager.

6 Nuisance Ordinance Violations -

Items tabled to next meeting.

7 American Rescue Plan Act –

Trustees discussed several items that the money might be used for to include but not limited to tree trimming and payment to Hydro-Engineers LLC for services. Trustees will continue to look for other

projects to use the money for at future meetings. Request made to contact Allgeier, Martin & Associates to begin requesting bids for tree trimming services for the village.

- 8 **Request for De-annexation** - Nothing new to report. Item still pending.
- 9 **Zoning Map Ordinance 2022-2** – An ordinance adopting the Village of Leawood Zoning Map from the Village of Leawood 2014 Comprehensive Plan that was recommended by the Zoning and Planning Board has been filed and added to the web site.

New Business:

- 1. **Permits** –None
- 2. **Annual Operating Budget Report** – Denny Desmond reported it was filed on June 18, 2022. (Record only),
- 3. **MO Show Me Institute** – Denny Desmond reported that a request had been made thru the Sunshine Law for village financial information from July 1, 2021 through July 1, 2022 Denny advised the information had been sent.
- 4. **Web Site Update** – Denny Desmond advised that Chris Chapell updates the village web site two times a year and that it recently had been done. Motion made by Denny Desmond and second by Dale Owen to increase the amount Chris charges for updating the site from \$40.00 per hour to \$45.00 per hour. In favor 4 Opposed 0 Absent 1. Motion passed.
- 5. **Facebook** - Denny Desmond advised that Carlie Arnell no longer wanted to continue updating the Southern Hills area Facebook and has offered to give it to Leawood Village. Denny reported that he would serve as administrator of the site and update as needed.
- 6. **Complaints** – Dogs running loose thru the neighbors’ yards and attacking people on Connecticut Street. Denny Desmond will contact the village attorney and request a letter be sent to the resident and the owner of the property advising they are in violation of the village’s animal control ordinance.

Motion made by Dale Owen and second by Brad Long to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM. In favor 4 Opposed 0 Absent 1. Motion passed. Next meeting will be September 15, 2022.

Minutes prepared by:

Minutes approved by:

Fran Owen, Secretary Date

Denny Desmond, Chairman