

# LEAWOOD VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

November 17, 2022- Minutes

## Trustees Present:

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

## Visitors:

Billy Bower                      509 Grandview Drive  
Dan Gremaud                    125 Valley View Drive

Denny Desmond, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:37 P.M. at the Redings Mill Fire Department located at 344 Redings Mill Road, Joplin, MO 64804. Roll call was taken with all trustees present followed by The Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation.

Minutes from the September 17, 2022 meeting were presented. Motion made by Beverly Kiehl 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 for the months of September and October 2022 for the money market account, operating account and sales tax account were presented. Balance in the operating account for September 30 was \$109,583.66 money market account \$235,285.42 and sales tax account \$89,366.49, for an ending balance totaling \$434,235.57. Balance in the operating account for October 31, 2022 was \$114,252.04, money market account \$235,289.29 and sales tax account \$92,417.81, for an ending balance of \$441,959.14. Motion made by Fran Owen and second by Beverly Kiehl to accept the treasurer report as presented. In favor 5 Opposed 0. Motion passed.

Pending liabilities totaling \$6,525.52 were presented (Eagle Eye Printing \$272.16 *Leawood Ledger* printing; Warten, Fisher & Lea \$17.50 maintenance of trees in easements; Paul Horton \$1,200 snow removal November and December; GLF Environmental \$2,542.46 Fall cleanup dumpsters; HSTCC \$198.40 annual dues; Denny Desmond \$595.00 Trustee Compensation; Brad Long \$450.00 Trustee Compensation, Dale Owen \$450.00 Trustee Compensation, Beverly Kiehl \$350.00 Trustee Compensation; Liberty Utilities totaling \$899.55 were presented. Motion made by Fran Owen and second by Dale Owen to pay liabilities totaling \$2,534.92. In favor 5 Opposed 0. Motion passed.

Denny Desmond presented the Village of Leawood Chairman's Report ending October 31, 2022. Motion made by Brad Long and second by Beverly Kiehl to accept the report as presented. In favor 5 Opposed 0. Motion passed. All trustees signed the report.

## Old Business:

### 1 Village Ordinances:

A) None pending at this time.

### 2 Comprehensive Plan:

A) Trustees will need to review this 2014 plan and update it in 2023. HSTCC will be asked to help.

### 3 Issues around the Village:

A) 4525 Connecticut - Travis Sampson Property Building permit was issued but shed is in violation of ordinance (shed sits outside the front fence line). Mr. Sampson will request a variance from Zoning and Planning Board. As of this meeting, a request has not been received.

4 44<sup>th</sup> Street Water Run-off – Denny Desmond advised that he received information that Tony Robyn, Assistant City Manager that the City of Joplin considers this matter fully resolved. Trustees will talk with an attorney to determine if there are any other options available.

### 5 Nuisance Ordinance Violations:

A) Dogs running loose on Connecticut Street – Item closed.

B) 1824 46<sup>th</sup> Street (Wayne Bard property) – Vehicles have all been moved. Yard still needs to be cleaned up. Trustees will continue to watch.

C) Mike Bell Property – Denny advised he had sent a note to Steve Martinez with the City of Joplin concerning water issues with this property but had not received a reply.

D) 47<sup>th</sup> Street Water Run-off – Suggestion to ask the Joplin Assistant City Manager to request the engineers take another look at this problem as it is on the city side where the water backs up. Suggestion to use some of the ARPA funds to help with water run-off in this area of the village.

6 American Rescue Plan Act – Trustees discussed using some of these funds for tree trimming around the village. Allgeier Martin would request bids on behalf of the Village. Need to include trimming on 50<sup>th</sup>, Connecticut and the Joplin side of 44<sup>th</sup>. Denny Desmond will check with Hidden Valley residents to see if they want any trimming done. Trimming will be done in the spring. Request that Kurt Higgins with Allgeier Martin attend the next trustee meeting to answer questions and outline what trustees want.

- 7 **Facebook** - Denny Desmond advised there are 110 on the site with numerous requests.
- 8. **Complaints:**
  - A. **46<sup>th</sup> Street** - Kittens and feral cats were running loose in the area. Item closed.
  - B. **4525 Indiana** – Shed taken partially down and has been cleaned up. Item closed.
  - C. **1909 47<sup>th</sup> Street (Buck Cunningham)** – Issues concerning a pool and pool house. Owner to request a new building permit if he decides to install a pool. He will need to obtain a permit for the storm shelter he had installed.
  - D. **Southern Hills (Dogs running loose)** - 546 Grandview resident Jennifer Muffel is the owner of one of the dogs causing problems. Denny reported the issues here have been resolved without requesting a letter from the attorney. Item closed.
- 9. **1825 E 45<sup>th</sup> Street** – Problem with the roadbed and mail delivery has been temporarily fixed. Permanent fix to the issue will be addressed when roads are sealed and repaired again in the future. Item closed.
- 10. **Neighborhood Watch** –Billy Bower advised he will give an updated report to the Trustees on a quarterly basis.
- 11. **Certification of Tax Rate has been received from the State Auditor** – Village clerk to place the certification letter in the Leawood Village files. Item closed.

***New Business:***

- 1 **Building Permits:**
  - A) William & Judy Ramsey 119 Hidden Valley Drive Fence Permit #2022-8 \$10.00.
- 2 **2023 Annual Budget** – Trustees reviewed the budget and will approve at the January meeting.
- 3 **2023 Election** – filing period is December 6 thru the 27<sup>th</sup>. Papers will need to be filed with Newton County Clerk by January 24, 2023.
- 4 **Complaints:**
  - A) **Vicki Carnahan** – Southern Hills – Fence in violation of the ordinance due to height.
- 5 **Street Sign Missing** – The street sign at Brookwood Drive and 50<sup>th</sup> is gone. Dale Owen to check with sign companies for cost to replace as well as costs on Neighborhood Watch signs.

Motion made by Dale Owen and second by Beverly Kiehl to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 PM and move to closed session concerning legal matters. In favor 5 Opposed 0. Motion passed.

Closed session opened at 7:50 PM and adjourned at 8:13 PM. In favor 4 Opposed 0 Abstained 1. Motion passed. Next meeting will be January 19, 2023.

Minutes prepared by:

Minutes approved by:

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Fran Owen, Secretary Date

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Denny Desmond, Chairman