

# LEAWOOD LEDGER

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624-7141  
Ted Young  
206-0270

## Notice of Public Meeting

Board of Trustee's  
Meeting  
May 18, 2010  
6:30 P.M.  
Redings Mill Fire  
Department  
5202 S Rangeline  
Visitors Welcome

## Status of Boyd Litigation

On May 6<sup>th</sup> a civil lawsuit was filed against Gene Paul Boyd following his plea of guilty on April 16, 2010 to the Class B felony of embezzling some \$325,564 from the village while serving as a board member and treasurer. Boyd's sentencing hearing is scheduled for June 4<sup>th</sup>, but restitution is not a sentencing option in Missouri. This necessitated the filing of the civil lawsuit to insure every option is used to get maximum restitution. Based on input from residents, the Leawood trustees were unwilling to endorse a plea bargain that would have allowed Boyd to escape jail time in exchange for promised small, monthly payments of \$500 from Boyd for 60 months.

With regards to the sentencing hearing on June 4<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 Jacob Scouby, Newton County Prosecutor, has stated "All the villagers are victims and therefore eligible to give victim impact statements." Therefore, the trustees encourage residents to attend the hearing, even if you don't want to testify. The conviction carries a possible prison term ranging from seven to 15 years. The victim impact statement and input on sentencing from residents was provided to Scouby last November. In addition to the embezzlement of \$325,564 the following information from the January 2010 Audit Report by the Missouri Auditor should be considered: (1) "Village accounting records have not been returned to the village by the former Village Treasurer and records of financial transactions from the bank are only available back to November 15, 2002. As a result, over 24 years of financial transactions involving this unauthorized bank account are unavailable for audit", and (2) "It is likely more village funds are missing prior to November 15, 2002. Village officials are concerned that franchise fees of up to \$299,840 received prior to November 15, 2002 may have also been deposited into the unauthorized account. Further, without accounting and bank records it is unclear if road monies from the Missouri Department of Revenue totaling \$379,112 received between 1982 and November 15 2002 were accounted for properly".

## Financial Information

For March and April, revenues of \$11,346 exceeded expenses of \$3,985 for a net surplus of \$7,361. As a result, the cash balance increased from \$86,898 to \$94,259. YTD revenues were \$1,054 higher than budget and expenses were \$3,899 lower. As a result, the net surplus of \$26,573 was \$4,953 higher than the approved budget. As of April 30<sup>th</sup> the General Fund is \$57,023 and the DOR Road Fund is \$37,236

## [www.leawoodvillage.com](http://www.leawoodvillage.com)

The preliminary design of the web site is available for your viewing. The site includes information about financial statements, Missouri Auditor's Report, Comprehensive Plan ordinances, *Leawood Leger*, meeting minutes and contact information. Open items include adding a calendar and email instructions. Please send suggestions and comments to [leawoodvillage@msn.com](mailto:leawoodvillage@msn.com)

## Notice of Open Public Meeting

Public notice is hereby given that the bi-monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Leawood, MO will be held May 18, 2010 to consider and act upon the matters on the following agenda and other subject matters as may be presented at the meeting and determined to be appropriate for discussion at that time.

- Approval of the treasurer's and financial reports and approval for payment of bills
- Status of felony theft charges filed against Paul Boyd
- Report from Nick Myers, CPA on the audit of 2009 financial transactions
- First reading of ordinance for bidding procedures
- Status of web site for Leawood Village
- First reading of ordinance for establishing a maximum speed limit, when limits are not posted; installation and placement of stop signs; increasing the speed limit on Indiana from 25 to 35 miles per hour and enforcement of these ordinances by the Newton County Sheriff's office.
- Approval of formal contact to appoint Michael D. Talley as attorney for the Village of Leawood.
- Discussion of the trash hauling agreement.

## Special Meeting

As required by state law, the Board of Trustees meet within 20 days of the election, to install newly elected trustees on April 26<sup>th</sup>. Fran Owen and Caleb Head. The trustees elected Denny Desmond, Chairman, Dave Smith, Vice-Chairman, Caleb Head, Treasurer, Fran Owen, Secretary and Dale Owen, Clerk. The trustees expressed their appreciation to John Mitchell, who decided not to run for re-election, for his effort and positive contributions.