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**Notice Public
Meeting
September 15, 2015**

**Board of Trustees
7:30 P.M.
Redings Mill Fire
Department
5202 Rangeline Road**

Notice of Open Public Meeting

Public notice is hereby given that **The Board of Trustees** will have their bi-monthly meeting at **7:30 P.M. Tuesday, September 15, 2015** 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. The meeting will be conducted at the **Redings Mill Fire Station, 5202 Rangeline Road, Joplin.** (The Planning and Zoning Commission will not meet because there are no agenda items to discuss).

Agenda – Trustee Meeting

- Approval of minutes from the July 21, 2015 meeting.
- Approval of treasurer's and financial reports and approval for payment of bills.
- Update establishing a "Neighborhood Watch Program"
- Continue the review to prioritize the projects/actions from Comprehensive Plan.
- Continue review to determine if any existing ordinances need revising.

Financial Information August 31, 2015

2015 (eight months) revenues of \$64,655 are higher than budget (+\$2,511/4%) and significantly higher than last year (\$15,394/31%) due to the impact of the sales tax revenues, which generated \$15,800 (represents nine months). Normal expenses of \$13,000 (excludes loan payments) are \$11,628/47% below budget (due to no legal fees of \$1,600 and no road repairs of \$9,000) and \$164,603/93% lower than last year due to road repairs (-\$159,877), legal fees (-\$2,125) and consulting fees from HTCC for Comprehensive Plan (-\$3,000). The YTD net surplus is \$52,125 before \$46,399 pay-off of the CB&T loan to repair streets last year. As a result the cash balance decreased \$40,192 before \$46,399 pay-off of the CB&T load to repair streets last year. As a result the cash balance only increased \$5,256 from \$66,471 at 12/31/214 to \$71,727 which is \$11,433 than June 30th. The outstanding loan balance at 12/31/2014 of \$46,186 is now zero.

Beverly Kiehl –

New Trustee and Vice-Chairman

Beverly has volunteered to serve the remaining term (expires April 30, 2016) for Caleb Head, who resigned due to relocation to Texas.

Real Estate Tax Levies for 2015

The approved tax levy decreased 2.45% from .2241 to .2186. The assessed valuations increased \$263,199/3.3% from \$7,907,500 to \$8,170,699. As a result the property tax revenues will increase \$142/.8% to \$17,863

Trash Hauling Proposal Effective September 1st.

The trustees approved a new five year agreement with our current contractor, Republic Services. The current cost will decrease from \$10.54 per month to \$9.75 with annual increases based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for sewer, water, and garbage, as was the previous agreement. Extra carts are \$2.00 per month. The customer service number is 800-627-1717.

Sales Tax Initiative

The tax was effective October 1st with no expiration date. Monthly sales tax distributions are paid by electronic transfers. A separate bank account with CB&T has been established to control the proceeds and subsequent use. \$15,800 was collected in the first nine months.

Neighborhood Watch Program

Dale Owen, Denny Desmond and Billy Bowers met with Newton County Sheriff Ken Copeland and Captain Levin, who will assist in instituting a "Neighborhood Watch" program as they have done for other villages. They will participate in the initial meeting with residents in November. More details will be in the November *Ledger*.

New Leawood Village Signs

We have received several compliments for the four new signs located at 44th & Connecticut, 50th Street near the Mercy Hospital roundabout, Southern Hills Drive and 44th & Oak.

Kids Back In School

Everyone is reminded that schools are back in session and to watch for children and school buses.

Visitors Welcome

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