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Notice Public Meetings

November 17, 2022
Board of Trustees
6:30 P.M.
Redings Mill Fire Department
344 Redings Mill Road
Visitors Welcome

Notice Bi-Monthly Meeting Board of Trustees

Public notice is hereby given that **The Board of Trustees** will have their bi-monthly meeting at 6:30 P.M. on **Thursday, November 17, 2022** at **344 Redings Mill Road** to consider and act upon the matters on the following agenda and other business that may come before the Board at that time.

Agenda

- Meeting to Order: Pledge of Allegiance, Invocation & Roll Call.
- Approve the minutes from the September 15, 2022 meeting.
- Approve the treasurer's and financial reports and payment of bills.
- 44th Street Joplin Project-Water Run-Off and Engineering Service Agreement with Hydro-Engineers LLC - status
- \$137,518 funds from American Rescue Plan Act.
- Neighborhood Watch Program.
- Business License.
- Any other business that may come before the Board.
- Adjournment.

Neighborhood Watch Update

Billy Bowers 417-540-3897 has taken the reins to re-energize the Neighborhood Watch program that has been neglected the last few years due to the lack of problems. However, an uptick in suspicious activity, primarily in Southern Hills, brought the need for re-emphasis to the board's attention. Billy arranged for extra patrols by the Sheriff's office to discourage reported casing of the Southern Hills neighborhood by unfamiliar vehicles, thefts from yards and cars being broken into.

A September 20th meeting for all residents featured speaker Lt. Williams of the Sheriff's Department who handed out information fliers and discussed actions that could be taken as individuals and as a community.

Neighbors should become familiar with and network with nearby neighbors so they can report unusual people, vehicles, and activities to the authorities.

Lt. Williams stressed officers would rather check out a false alarm than find out after a crime that it might have been avoided had a neighbor reported seeing suspicious activity.

Who to contact to report problems: call 417-623-2282 or 417-451-4242 to reach Newton County Dispatch. If you call the sheriff's office main number you will reach a staff member who will then refer you to dispatch. These numbers are listed on the left side of the Ledger and should be added to your contacts.

Billy Bowers met after the meeting with residents interested in becoming part of the networking system that he is organizing within each area of the village. Billy stated "that if you witness something suspicious, please contact the Sheriff's dispatch and a member of Neighborhood Watch so together the word can be spread. Let's keep an eye out for each other."

Future meetings to organize the networking contacts within the village will be announced in the future.

Around The Village

Follow Us on Facebook

You are invited to click on the Village of Leawood Facebook page to share events, neighborhood watch, lost pets, etc. Formerly Carla Arnall generously developed this page for Southern Hills residents. Now the page has been expanded to include the entire village.

Unlawful Dog Behavior

Unfortunately an instance of a dog biting a person and another instance of a dog attacking another dog occurred this summer. Other complaints of excessive barking were also received from residents. This is a reminder that Leawood Village has an animal control ordinance in place to keep residents and their pets safe while enjoying a peaceful community. To be clear, dogs are to always be under owners' control. Under control requires a leash or fence, structural or invisible, so the dog is not running at large.

Owners choose to have a dog for their personal enjoyment. That does not entitle dog owners to subject everyone within ear shot to their dog's undisciplined barking. Please monitor your dog's barking. Saying "so and so's dog is misbehaving" does not excuse a dog owner from following the ordinances. Problem dog situations are being address on an individual basis when brought to the board's attention

April 4, 2023 Election

Qualified village residents interested in running for a two-year term on the Board of Trustees must file by January 18th for the April election. Incumbents are Denis Desmond, Brad Long, and Dale Owen. If interested contact Denis Desmond (417-483-0053) or email leawoodvillage@msn.com.