

# LEAWOOD LEDGER

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## Newton County Sheriff

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## Notice Public Meetings

**March 23, 2023**  
**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, March 23, 2023** 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 January 19, 2023 meeting.
- Approve the treasurer's and financial reports and payment of bills.
- 44<sup>th</sup> Street Joplin Project-Water Run-Off – Joplin's response.
- Neighborhood Watch Program.
- Business License.
- Trimming trees hanging over roads – Parameters.
- Any other business that may come before the Board.
- Beverly Kiehl's resignation and appointment of replacement
- Adjournment.

### Financial Information – February 28, 2023

Expenditures of \$5,260 are \$813 below budget. \$33,807 revenues include \$16,629 real estate taxes and \$1,153 railroad utility tax. Revenues exceed budget by \$1,675 due to franchise taxes (+\$1,283). The \$28,546 surplus increased cash to \$481,436. Balances in bank accounts are \$151,673 (checking/operating), \$97,822 (money market/savings) and \$94,423 (sales tax account) and the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) fund \$137,518.

### Message from your Chairman

After eight years on the Board of Trustees, Beverly Kiehl submitted her resignation that will be effective prior to the close of March's trustee meeting. Thereafter the Board will appoint a replacement for the balance of her term (one year). In her resignation letter Beverly stated "I have chosen this time because I realized after the last meeting that after the next election the board membership will remain the same. Perhaps this will get the ball rolling to get person(s) with new ideas and problem-solving skills on the Board. I appreciate the dedication, service and sincerity of each of the board members I have served with. I want to state clearly that this action is without absolutely no malice. I feel my goals and contributions have been put in place and it will be up to new blood to decide the future of the Village."

Beverly was very active and extremely committed to doing what was in the best interest of Leawood residents. When she volunteered or was assigned a task, she made it happen!

## Around The Village Spring Dumpsters

Residents are encouraged to clean up their yards. Dumpsters will be provided on April 29<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> at the same locations. Unacceptable items include furniture, mattresses, appliances, electronics, and tires/wheels. Remember Republic Services will pick-up per week on their regularly scheduled collection day (Tuesday) by calling 800-401-1507.

### 2023 Budget

The 2023 budget was discussed in detail and approved at the January board meeting. Expenses of \$83,732 are budgeted +\$38,732 versus 2022 due to \$42,000 tree trimming and +\$3,000 for HSTCC consulting for the 2224 Comprehensive Plan. These will partially offset by zero budget consulting by Dr. Morris for water issues. Revenues of \$15,232 will be \$70,860 lower due to no income from ARPA. The result is a \$31,500 surplus.

### April 4, 2023 Election

The last day for filing was December 27<sup>th</sup>. Only the three incumbents (Denny Desmond, Brad Long and Dale Owen) filed for the two-year term at a trustee. There will be nothing listed on the ballot since there are no challengers.

### The Driveway Diner BBQ

Mika Graham has arranged to have a least one food truck in Southern Hills on May 5 from 5:00 to 7:00. The Driveway Diner BBQ is operated by Shawn Williams. Bring your lawn chairs to meet and visit with your neighbors.