

LEAWOOD LEDGER

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

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Notice Public Meetings

September 21,
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, September 21, 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 July 20, 2023 meeting and the August 16, 2023 Special Meeting.
- Approve the treasurer's financial reports and payment of bills.
- ATV – Discussion of ordinance to regulate.
- 2014 Comprehensive – Update required after 10 years.
- Any other business that may come before the Board.
- Adjournment.
- A work session to discuss the funding request by Hidden Valley HOA for repairing their concrete roads.

Financial Information – August 31, 2023

Expenditures of \$30,913 are \$34,786 below budget as the cost for trimming was \$8,900 versus the \$42,000 budget. The cost for dumpsters was \$5,241 compared to \$3,044 last May. \$81,706 revenues exceeded budget by \$734. The \$50,792 surplus increased cash to \$503,682. Since our Money Market was earning .25% annual interest, \$400,000 Certificates of Deposits with 3.51% interest rate and eleven-month maturity were purchased on March 29th. These will provide an additional \$12,870 interest. Separate CDs were purchased. These will provide an additional \$12,870 interest. Separate CDs were purchased with funds from APRA (\$137,517.76) sales tax (\$95,000) and operating fund (\$167,482.24). Balances in bank accounts are \$103,682 with \$30,498 checking/operating, \$55,457 money market/savings and \$17,727 sales tax account.

Work Session for Funding Request

At the July 20th trustee meeting, Rich Reed from the Hidden Valley (HV) Homeowners' Association requested cash funding from Leawood to assist HV to replace their concrete roads. Leawood is not responsible for maintaining HV concrete roads. Since HV pays real estate taxes and helps generate other revenue like franchise taxes and fuel, and vehicle tax/fees it was agreed at the meeting that Leawood should fund some money. The question is how much? Hence the work session to discuss before a proposal is submitted at the November meeting.

School is Back in Session

Please watch out for our children as they wait for school buses in the morning and afternoons. Also remember that it is a state law to stop for schools buses loading and unloading.

American Rescue Plan Act

Leawood received \$137,517. Previously the funds were restricted by the Act to specific areas including "support vital waste water and storm water infrastructure." In recent update the Treasury has provided more flexibility for spending the money to include the broad category of "government services" Leawood has until December 31, 2024 to spend the money.

2014 Comprehensive Plan

Our first ever Comprehensive Plan was approved in 2014 and must be updated every 10 years. We assisted HSTCC (Harry S Truman Coordinating Council) in 2014 and HSTCC has again agreed to prepare with our assistance the 2024 Plan at the same \$3,000 cost. The 2014 Leawood Comprehensive Plan Committee (13 members) met five times and two special public meetings were held. This same process will again be used. If you are interested in volunteering, contact Denis Desmond at leawoodvillage@msn.com or by phone at 417-483-0053. **Before you volunteer, review the 2014 Comprehensive Plan.** The initial meeting will be held in October.

Republic Service

Republic Services will pick up at NO cost one household item per week on the regularly scheduled day by notifying Republic at 800-431-1057 of any such items.

Business and Occupation Licenses

Ordinances for Licenses and Occupational Taxes for Peddlers and Solicitors with applications are available at our website. The responsibility to comply lies with the businesses/peddlers/solicitors. Six businesses and two peddlers submitted applications. Contact the Village Clerk with any questions. It would be a good idea to ask for the licenses when someone knocks on your door soliciting.