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Notice Public Meetings

**January 18, 2024
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, January 18, 2024 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 November 16, 2023 meeting
- Approve the treasurer's financial reports and payment of bills.
- Trustee review and verification financial transactions records for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023.
- 2024 Comprehensive – Status
- Review costs and plans for dumpsters in spring/fall.
- Approve of \$60,000 from ARPA fund for storm water improvements at 47th and Wendi by Allgeier Martin
- Balance of \$77,500 in APRA fund must be committed by December 31, 2024.
- Any other business that may come before the Board.
- Adjournment.

Financial Information – December 31, 2023

Expenditures of \$44,571 are below budget as the cost for trimming was \$8,900 versus the \$42,000 budget. \$115,742 revenues exceeded budget by \$510 as higher real estate (+\$1,840 due to timing of deposits) were offset by lower sales taxes (-\$1,719 to \$32,481). The \$71,171 surplus increased cash to \$524,061. 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 \$12,833 interest. Separate CDs were purchased with funds from APRA (\$137,517.76) sales tax (\$95,000) and operating fund (\$167,482). Balances in bank accounts are \$124,061 with \$58,409 checking/operating, \$55,505 money market/savings and \$10,147 sales tax account.

Republic Service

Republic increased their monthly rates of \$12.00 (effective November 1, 2020) by \$1.80 (15%) to \$13.80 (\$41.40 quarterly) effective November 1. Due to a "system error" rates were not increased the maximum 5% (based on the CPI for water, sewer and trash) in 2021 and 2022. Due to the timing delay, residents saved \$21.60.

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. \$60,000 has been committed for the storm water improvements at 47th and Wendi. Balance remaining is \$77,500.

2024 Comprehensive Plan

The process for updating our 2024 Comprehensive Plan (CP) has begun, as it must be updated every 10 years. Harry S Truman Coordinating Council has again agreed to prepare with our assistance the 2024 Plan at the same \$3,000 cost as in 2014. The 2024 Leawood Comprehensive Plan Committee includes 13 members of which eight are new from 2014 committee. Residents were invited to attend the "kick-off" meeting with CP members on Thursday, November 30th. The surveys will be tabulated, and another meeting will be held in late January for the CP Committee to review the results. A future meeting will be held for residents to finalize the 2024 Comprehensive Plan.

April 2, 2024 Election

Incumbents, Fran Owen and Billy Bowers were the only ones to file by the December 26th deadline for a two-year term for the Board of Trustees..