

# LEAWOOD LEDGER

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## Board of Adjustments

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## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

## Newton County Sheriff

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## Notice Public Meetings

March 21, 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, March 21, 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 January 18, 2024 meeting
- Approve the treasurer's financial reports and payment of bills.
- Approve financial budget for CY2024.
- Actions for Certificates of Deposit.
- 2024 Comprehensive – Status.
- Approve contract for dumpsters April 19th.
- \$97,500 in APRA fund must be committed by December 31, 2024.
- Any other business that may come before the Board.
- Adjournment.

### Financial Information – February 29, 2024

\$33,227 revenues exceeded \$9,604 expenditures for a \$23,623 surplus. The budgeted surplus was \$21,202. Revenues included \$16,162 real estate taxes and \$1,214 railroad utilities tax. Expenses included \$2,500 fee from HSTCC for 2024 Comprehensive Plan. The \$23,624 surplus increased cash to \$547,685. Bank balance is \$550,470 with the \$2,785 difference due to two outstanding checks to HSTCC.

Balance of three certificates of deposits (as noted in previous months) is \$400,000. Balances in bank accounts are \$150,470 with \$79,549 checking/operating, \$55,527 money market/savings and \$15,394 sales tax account. The \$400,000 CD's will auto-renewal on February 29<sup>th</sup> to six month CD's with 5.11% interest rate. The earned interest income for the respective CD's will also roll over.

### Street Lights

Any resident may report a streetlight outage like a power outage by calling Liberty at 417-625-5100 or Scott Sullivan, Liberty representative, at 417-625-5154 or 417-291-9084 (cell).

### CPR Class

Village of Leawood is interested in sponsoring a CPR class. The Redings Mill Fire Department is willing to conduct a CPR class for any resident to become certified if 15 to 20 commit to the class. If interested contact Dan Gremaud at 805-625-1386.

### .Spring Dumpsters

Residents are encouraged to clean up their yards. Dumpsters will be provided on April 19<sup>th</sup> –April 20<sup>th</sup> at the same two locations. Unacceptable items include furniture, mattresses, appliances, electronics, and tires/wheels.

## American Rescue Plan Act

Leawood received \$137,517 and has until December 31, 2024 to spend/commit the money. \$60,000 has been committed for the storm water improvements at 47<sup>th</sup> and Wendi. Balance remaining is \$97,517. Around \$40,000 will be spent on roads in Hidden Valley.

## 2024 Comprehensive Plan

The process for updating our 2024 Comprehensive Plan (CP) has begun, as it must be updated every 10 years. The 2024 Leawood Comprehensive Plan Committee includes 13 members of which eight are new from 2014 committee. The surveys will be tabulated by HSTCC and another meeting will be held for the CP Committee to review the results. A future meeting will be held for residents to finalize the 2024 Comprehensive Plan. The plan should be completed by May 31<sup>st</sup>.

## 2024 Budget

The 2024 preliminary budget was discussed in detail at the January meeting and approved with minor changes. The budget includes the required spending of the \$137,518 in the American Rescue Plan fund. The remaining \$44,951 budget expenses are just slightly higher than the \$44,571 actual in 2023. \$8,900 spent on tree trimming won't be spent this year, but budget spending will include \$3,000 for the Comprehensive Plan and more money for dumpsters (\$+1,959) and minor road repairs (+4,164). Budgeted \$125,572 revenues will increase \$12,000 due to interest on CD's. The net surplus will be \$80,621 (includes the \$137,518 ARPA) and will be \$9,450 higher than 2023.

## April 2, 2024 Election

Incumbents, Fran Owen and Billy Bowers were the only ones to file for a two-year term for the Board of Trustees. There will be nothing on the ballot since there are not any changes.