

LEAWOOD VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

July 15, 2014 – MINUTES

Trustees Present:

Denny Desmond, Chairman
Brad Long, Vice Chairman
Caleb Head, Treasurer
Dale Owen, Clerk
Fran Owen, Secretary

Visitors Present:

Kurt Higgins, Chairman Planning & Zoning
Bobbie & Matt Ahens 129 Valleyview Drive

Denny Desmond, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. at the Redings Mill Fire Department located at 5205 S Range Line Road, Joplin, MO 64804.

Minutes from the May 20, 2014 meeting were presented. Motion made by Caleb Head and second by Brad Long to forgo the reading of the minutes as everyone had received copies and accept the minutes as presented. In favor 5 Opposed 0. Motion passed.

Original financial bank statements and bank reconciliation statements for May 2014 and June 2014 were presented by Caleb Head. Statements were reviewed by each trustee, signed and dated. Ending balance for May 2014 in the checking account was \$45,815.68 and the June 2014 ending balance was \$48,741.86. There were no outstanding checks. Current balance in the investment account for May 2014 was \$85,639.10 and for June 2014 was \$85,653.653 Motion made by Dale Owen and second by Brad Long to approve the bank financial statements. In favor 5 Opposed 0. Motion passed.

Pending liabilities totaling \$114,595.74 (Paul Horton-snow removal \$1,200, Eagle eye Digiprint \$158.36, United States Post Office \$\$56, Newton County Collector \$18.95, Vance Brothers, Inc. \$113,162.43) and estimated automatic deductions for Empire District Electric of \$680.00 were presented. Motion made by Fran Owen and second by Dale Owen to pay pending liabilities totaling \$115,275.74. In favor 5 Opposed 0. Motion passed.

Denny Desmond presented the Chairman's Report of Financial Information as of June 30, 2014. The report contained the revenue and expenses by month, revenue and expenses actual versus budget and prior year and CB&T bank transactions for six months. Note: The bank loan for road work was budgeted for June but will be spent in July. Note was made of a deficit in the DOR fund of \$21,302.35. Funds will be transferred from the general fund to the DOR fund to cover the deficit. All trustees present initialed all reports. Motion made by Dale Owen and second by Brad Long to accept and approve the Chairman's financial report dated June 30, 2014. In favor 5 Opposed 0. Motion passed.

Old Business:

- 1 **Operating Procedures and Policies** – Denny Desmond still working on final copy.
- 2 **Hazardous Mitigation Plan** - Trustees to update as needed.
- 3 **Road Repairs: Ordinance 2013-5**
 - A) Denny Desmond reported that road repair work went very well with very few complaints.
 - B) Loan documents with CT&T were signed on July 15, 2014.
- 4 **Village Sales Tax Ordinance 2013-4:**
 - A) Denny Desmond reported a separate bank account #1539302 at Community Bank and Trust has been established for depositing revenues received from the sales tax. Sales tax receipts will automatically be deposited into the account. Denny Desmond and Caleb Head will be the authorized signatures on the account. Vice Chairman Brad Long, Village Clerk Dale Owen and Secretary Fran Owen attested to the approved signers. Denny Desmond to file the necessary paperwork with the State of Missouri.
- 5 **Joplin Special Road District:**
 - A) Denny Desmond reported he had signed a new agreement with the Special Road District. He reported he did not ask them to take responsibility for the village signs.
- 6 **New Village Residents:** Thomas and Deborah Cizetle are new residents at 1 Emerald Drive. Denny reported he made contact with them. Their names will be added to the *Ledger* mailing list.
- 7 **Street Repair Hidden Valley:**
 - A) Kenny Singer Construction Co., Inc. will work the repairs into their schedule as they have time.
- 8 **Village Ordinances:** Trustees need to review all ordinances and update them. Building permits and zoning ordinances both need work. (Tabled for later review).
- 9 **Street Light:** The light at the corner of 50th & Connecticut has been reinstalled. A new pole with a light on it has been set on the east corner of the intersection by the mailboxes.

10 Complaints:

- A) 4825 and 4905 Indiana need grass mowed. Denny reported he had sent a letter and the lots were mowed but looked like they needed it again.

11 No Outlet Sign Brookwood Drive

- A) Issue closed – sign has been installed.

12 Comprehensive Plan:

- A) Plan was attested to by the Village Clerk, Dale Owen and village seal was placed on the document.
- B) Denny Desmond will file the copy with the Newton County Clerk.
- C) Prioritizing the projects defined in the plan was tabled until the September meeting.

13 Calvary Baptist Church:

- A) Denny Desmond called the minister of the church who agreed to meet with Denny concerning trash and moving of the Gee gym building. Meeting may be August the 11th. Denny will let the minister know they will need a building permit when the building is relocated.

14 Joplin Area Transportation Study Organization: Nothing new to report at this time.

15 Matter of Record: Confirmation received the AOB was filed with the Missouri Ethics Committee on July 14.

New Business

1 Building Permits Issued:

- A) None.

2 Complaints:

- A) Barrier between Southern Hills and Wildwood was moved when the road was resurfaced and was not moved back in place. Vance Brothers reported they had to leave town and the road surface was not hard enough to replace the barriers. General discussion resulted in a decision by all trustees to leave barriers and flower pots where they currently set and if it becomes a problem will address at that time.
- B) 2718 Sunset Place: swimming pool has not been used since last year and has accumulated slime and black water and the cover has fallen to the ground resulting in a mosquito problem. Denny to draft and send a letter to the resident.

3 Tax Levy :

- A) Motion made by Caleb Head and second by Dale Owen to certify the tax levy at .2241 (the same as 2013). In favor 5 Opposed 0. Motion passed.

4 Animal Control Issues:

- A) Report of stray dogs running in Southern Hills area and owners also letting their dogs run loose in violation of the Animal Control Ordinance.
- B) Pit bull running loose in the 50th & Connecticut area believed to belong to Tamara Burt. Denny will send a letter to owner concerning the dogs running on other people's property.
- C) Kurt Higgins will check with one of Joplin's animal control officer to see if he would be interested in picking up the animals (after hours) and taking to the Humane Society. Trustees agreed they were willing for the village to pay the fees.

5 Bobbie Ahens:

- A) Wanted to know why the village did not do curb side recycling. Denny told her that the Joplin residents had voted no for curbside recycling and if in the future they did decide to do it Leawood would follow suit as it would cost more if the village did it individually. Denny will, however, contact the trash hauler for the village and see what it would cost the village. Mrs. Ahens offered to pass a petition and obtain signatures if it was needed.

6 Thank You: The trustees paid a special thank you to Kurt Higgins for all the work he did in order to have the village roads repaired and resurfaced.

Motion made by Brad Long and second by Caleb Head to adjourn the meeting. In favor 5 Opposed 0. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:25 P.M. Next meeting will be September 16, 2014.

Minutes prepared by:

Minutes approved by:

Fran Owen, Secretary Date

Denny Desmond, Chairman