

LEAWOOD VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

November 18, 2015 – MINUTES

Trustees Present:

Denny Desmond, Chairman
Beverly Kiehl – Vice Chairman
Brad Long, Vice Chairman
Dale Owen, Clerk
Fran Owen, Secretary

Visitors:

None

Denny Desmond, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:55 P.M. at the Redings Mill Fire Department located at 5205 S Range Line Road, Joplin, MO 64804.

Minutes from the September 15, 2015 special meeting were presented. Motion made by Beverly Kiehl and second by Dale Owen 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 September and October 2015 were presented by Brad Long for the investment account, checking account and the sales tax revenue account. (Denny Desmond reported that the October 2015 original bank statement had been misplaced and he asked the bank to print another copy) Statements were reviewed by each trustee, signed and dated. Ending balance for September 2015 in the checking account was \$33,712.55 and the October 2015 ending balance was \$38,467.83. There were no outstanding checks. Current balance in the investment account for September 2015 was \$25,728.26 and October 2015 was \$25,728.94. Ending balance in the sales tax revenue account was \$18,216.05 for September and \$20,074.73 for October. Motion made by Beverly Kiehl and second by Fran Owen to accept the financial bank statements as presented. In favor 5 Opposed 0. Motion passed.

Pending liabilities totaling \$3,902.98 (Paul Horton \$1,200 snow removal, Eagle Eye Digiprint \$216.04 newsletters, Chris Chappell \$41.94 web site hosting, Michael Talley \$600 legal fees, \$1845 compensation for trustees per ordinance 2013-1); estimated automatic deductions for Empire District Electric of \$660 were presented by Brad Long. Motion made by Dale Owen and second by Beverly Kiehl to pay pending liabilities totaling \$4,562.98. In favor 5 Opposed 0. Motion passed.

Denny Desmond presented the Chairman's Report of Financial Information as of October 31, 2015. The report contained the revenue and expenses by month, revenue and expenses actual versus budget and prior year and CB&T bank transactions for ten months. Bank balance at October 31, 2015 was \$84,271.50. Motion made by Brad Long and second by Beverly Kiehl to accept and approve the Chairman's financial reports. In favor 5 Opposed 0. Motion passed. All trustees signed and dated the report.

Old Business:

- 1 **Operating Procedures and Policies** – Denny Desmond working on final copy.
- 2 **Hazardous Mitigation Plan** - Trustees will review the plan for possible updates.
- 3 **Street Repairs:**
 - A) Beverly Kiehl reported that the soft spot in the road near Oak and 44th Street is still there. Pavement is intact and no cracks are showing. Street may eventually be paved when street is widened in the future. If problem develops will fix spot at that time.
 - B) Mention was made that the subcontractors for Missouri Gas Energy (Laclede Gas) had misplaced the road sign at 50th and Connecticut. Brad Long reported he had contacted Joplin Special Road District and the gas company and they advised him it was not their problem. Will ask Kurt Higgins to contact the gas company about the missing sign.
- 4 **Joplin Special Road District:** Need to discuss with the district who is responsible for making repairs to 50th Street, 44th Street and Connecticut Street when they are needed.
- 5 **Village Ordinances:** (Tabled to January 2016 meeting)
 - A) Dale Owen reported he was still working on changes to the Building Permit Ordinance.
 - B) Denny Desmond to review the Zoning Ordinance.

6 Comprehensive Plan:

A) Neighborhood Watch - A public meeting was held prior to the trustees meeting tonight to listen to a presentation and answer question concerning establishing a neighborhood watch program in the village. Captain Richard Levin and Detective Steve Bock presented the program. Suggestion was made that representatives from Leawood village contact the Seneca neighborhood watch member and make arrangements to visit with them to find how to their program works and how to go about setting up for Leawood. Representatives from the Redings Mill Fire Department also showed address signs they make sell to residents in their district that make it easier for emergency services to located homes.

7 Joplin Area Transportation Study Organization: Brad Long reported that there was a scheduled meeting for November 19 but he was unable to attend.

8 Leawood Ledger Mailing List: Denny reported he sent an updated list to Eagle Eye Digiprint. Issue closed.

9 Snow Removal Agreement: Paul Horton returned the agreement. Issue closed.

10 Succession of Trustees: Denny compiling the information and will present at a future meeting.

11 Complaints:

A) 523 Grandview - abandoned motor home. Denny Desmond will contact the resident.

B) 727 East 50th Street - yard needs mowing. Denny Desmond will send a letter to the landlord.

C) 4415 Indiana – garage has been torn down. Issue closed.

D) Empty lot near 44th and Connecticut. Issue closed lot has been mowed.

12 Public Officials Insurance – Denny Desmond to contact Volk’s insurance, Insurance Center and Beimdiek Insurance to obtain quotes for renewal of the policy.

New Business

1 Building Permits:

A) Ray Hodge 529 Grandview Portable Shed Permit 2015-6 \$2.00

2 Complaints:

A) .Attached is a letter from Tom & Barbara Watkins, 2007 East 45th Street, concerning various residences in the Leawood Village area needing beautification and clean-up. Denny Desmond to send letters to residents listed.

B) General discussion held concerning the possibility of incorporating a village clean-up day or days in the spring in accordance with the Comprehensive Plan beautification suggestion. Trustees suggested obtaining a couple of roll-off containers (village would pay for the rental) and placing one in Southern Hills area and one in Leawood area for residents to use for disposal of yard waste. Will discuss further at January 2016 meeting.

3 Connecticut and 44th Street – Two Memos of Understanding were presented by Denny Desmond. One was for 44th Street from Rangeline to Connecticut and one for Connecticut from 44th Street to 32nd Street. (Copies attached). Denny advised that the village attorney had previewed the agreements. General discussion was held. Motion made by Dale Owen and second by Beverly Kiehl to approve both memos of understanding as presented. In favor 4 (Denny Desmond, Dale Owen, Fran Owen, Beverly Kiehl) Opposed 0 Abstained 1 (Brad Long – as he owns property on Connecticut

4 Hidden Valley – Denny Desmond speaking on behalf of Mark Hendren, president of the Hidden Valley Homeowners, asked if trustees had any objection for the homeowners in Hidden Valley hooking on to the Joplin City sewer system. No trustees had any objection. (Matter of record only).

5 2016 Village Budget – Trustees reviewed the projected budget presented by Denny Desmond. Recommendations were made to add funds for beautification projects in the village as well as possibility of obtaining home address signs from the Redings Mill Fire Department for residents, increase projected monthly charges for Empire District Electric, increase funds for the post office box rental, delete funding for animal control, and add funding for tree trimming services in 2016. Denny to make requested changes and e-mail the new proposed budget to trustees.

Motion made by Brad Long and second by Beverly Kiehl to adjourn the meeting. In favor 5 Opposed 0. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned.at 9:00 P.M. Next meeting will be January 26, 2016.

Minutes prepared by:

Minutes approved by:

Fran Owen, Secretary Date

Denny Desmond, Chairman