

LEAWOOD VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

September 18, 2018- Minutes

Trustees Present:

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

Visitors:

Ronnie Medcalf, Deputy Chief, Redings Mill Fire Department

Trustee Absent:

Beverly Kiehl, Vice Chairman

Denny Desmond, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:31 P.M. at the Redings Mill Fire Department located at 5205 S Range Line Road, Joplin, MO 64804.

Minutes from the July 17, 2018 meeting were presented. Motion made by Brad Long 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 4 Opposed 0. Motion passed. Minutes from the August 2, 2018 special meeting were presented. Motion made by Dale Owen 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 4 Opposed 0. Motion passed.

Original financial bank statements and bank reconciliation statements for the months of July and August 2018 for the money market account, operating account and sales tax account with a total balance of \$234,644.89 were presented by Brad Long. Statements were reviewed by each trustee, signed and dated. Ending balance for the July 2018 operating account was \$74,543.10, money market \$115,766.93 and sales tax \$39,071.03. Ending balance for the August 2018 operating account was \$79,050.44, money market \$115,771.85 and sales tax \$39,822.60. Motion made by Dale Owen and second by Fran Owen to approve the treasurer report as presented. In favor 4 Opposed 0. Motion passed.

Pending liabilities totaling \$1,740.79 were presented (Lawn Guy - Paul Horton \$1,200.00, Eagle Eye Printing \$185.77., Newton County Treasurer \$2.57 for June 2018 and \$5.18 for July 2018 and \$9.23 for August 2018 collection fees, and Lancaster Signs \$338.04 for new zoning signs and posts), ACH payments to Empire District Electric totaling \$718.14 resulting in a total of \$2,458.93 were presented by Brad Long. Motion made by Fran Owen and second by Dale Owen to pay pending liabilities totaling \$2,458.93. In favor 4 Opposed 0. Motion passed.

Denny Desmond presented the Chairman's Report of Financial Information as of August 31, 2018 budget and prior year and CB&T bank transactions for eight months ending August 31, 2018. As of August 31, 2018 there was a net deficit of \$7,350. (Money budgeted for village beautification projects have not been spent). Motion made by Brad Long and second by Dale Owen to accept and approve the Chairman's Financial Reports. In favor 4 Opposed 0. Motion passed. All trustees signed and dated the report.

Old Business:

- 1 **Operating Procedures and Policies** – Denny Desmond presented the Village of Leawood Calendar of Events. Trustees reviewed and requested a change be made to the Leawood Ledger information changing clerk to secretary to provide input to and secretary will provide draft to trustees instead of clerk. Denny Desmond and trustees continue working on the Village of Leawood Procedures and Policies document. Suggestion also made by Denny Desmond that the trustees offer Paul Horton a 5 year contract agreement for snow removal services at \$1200 paid bi-monthly. All trustees present agreed.
- 2 **Village Ordinances:**
 - A) Denny Desmond still updating the Zoning Ordinance. Denny will contact Kurt Higgins and see if there are any revisions or changes that need to be made to this ordinance.
 - B) Building Permit Ordinance –Dale Owen to have the ordinance notarized and return to Denny Desmond for filing with the Newton County Recorder's office.
- 3 **Comprehensive Plan:**
 - A) Neighborhood Watch – Trustees discussed using a program called "Next Door". No action taken. Will ask Beverly Kiehl to research the program and report at next meeting.
 - B) Beautification Projects: No projects in the works at this time.
- 4 **New resident information packets:** Beverly Kiel was absent; however, Denny Desmond handed out information Beverly had left concerning suggestions for information to be included in the packets.
- 5 **Complaints:**

- A) Water Run-off - Residents and trustees are still concerned about the run off of excessive amounts of water from the property in the City of Joplin located at the intersection of 44th Street and Indiana resulting in flooding, drainage and erosion problems. Denny Desmond and Brad Long met with representatives from the City of Joplin who have admitted they had failed to install retention areas when the residences were built on the north side of 44th Street and they are not going to do anything about it now.
- B) 44th & Range Line Rib Sales – Issued closed.
- C) Berm House (possible address 1824 East 50th) - This property appears to have been abandoned and the house contains mold and the yard is overgrown with weeds. Brad Long trying to obtain names and make contact with the owner of the property.

6 Connecticut and 44th Street Construction Project:

- A) Water Run-off Along Connecticut Avenue - Trustees and residents will continue to collect data. Brad Long and Denny Desmond met with Dan Johnson and Steven Martinez with the City of Joplin and again expressed the village concerns about the water issue when construction has been completed on the 44th Street project. Dan Johnson with the City of Joplin advised Brad and Denny that the road construction project for 44th and Connecticut would not create any more run-offs with the building of sidewalks and curbing. Brad Long advised he had hired a photographer, Dave Summerland, to take aerial photos with a drone of his property as a record of what the water run-off has created on his property. Dale Owen suggested that the trustees have photographs of the Village of Leawood (44th & Connecticut, 44th & Silver Creek, 44th & Indiana) taken after the first of the year 2019 when leaves are still off the trees and possibly present the photographs and issues to the Joplin City Council . Trustees to discuss further at the November meeting.

7 Procedures for Handling Complaints – Denny Desmond will continue to update the policy as needed.

8 Boundary & Annexation Survey – Denny Desmond recommended the trustees disregard the survey request at this time as it is an extremely large project. Denny Desmond and Dale Owen approved. Issue closed.

9 Leawood Village Ordinance Sign – Dale Owen reported that a new sign was placed at 44th and Oak, replaced the one on Connecticut and the one at 44th and Rangeline will be installed as soon as utility lines have been marked.

10 Animal Control Ordinance – Fran Owen gave copies of this ordinance to the trustees present and asked them to review it for any changes. Trustees to discuss at the November meeting.

11 Parking Ordinance Recommendation:

- A) The Zoning and Planning Board’s recommendation for changes to the ordinance was presented. Brad Long advised he had a problem rewriting or creating an ordinance without a way to enforce them. Approval of ordinance changes tabled for discussion at the next meeting.
- B) Dale Owen to visit with the Newton County Commissioners and obtain information on procedures for enforcing the ordinances.

New Business:

1. Building Permits:

- A. Brad Echelbarger – Permit # 2018-03 \$10.00 Shed
- B. **Complaints/Issues** - Ron Bowen reported to Denny Desmond about a brown dog running loose on Indiana Street. Denny will send a letter of the owner of the property (house is rental property).

2. Redings Mill Fire Department – Ronnie Medcalf, Deputy Chief presented an update on what was happening in the department. The department had received a grant and were offering free smoke detectors/with installation, to all village residents. He said they had received 1320 detectors and they had 520 left. Each resident could receive 5 per household. He also reported that they had broken ground on the new fire station.

Motion made by Dale Owen and second by Brad Long to adjourn the meeting. In favor 4 Opposed 0. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned.8:00 P.M. Next scheduled meeting will be on November 20, 2018

Minutes prepared by:

Minutes approved by:

Fran Owen, Secretary Date

Denny Desmond, Chairman