

LEAWOOD VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

July 18, 2019- Minutes

Trustees Present:

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

Visitors:

Kurt Higgins	517 Grandview, Joplin MO
Marcia Long	1611 E 50 th Street, Joplin MO
Pat Black	1204 Southview, Joplin MO
Denise McKeehen	522 Grandview Drive
Derek Snyder	613 S Byers, Joplin MO
John Pendergrass	East 47 th Street, Joplin MO
Christy Hughes	527 Grandview, Joplin MO
Sandy Hodge	529 Grandview, Joplin MO

Denny Desmond, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:32 P.M. at the Redings Mill Fire Department located at 5205 S Range Line Road, Joplin, MO 64804.

Minutes from the May 21, 2019 meeting were presented. Motion made by Brad Loong and second by Beverly Kiehl to forgoe 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 for the months of May and June 2019 for the money market account, operating account and sales tax account were presented. Balance in the operating account for May 31 was \$50,928.07, money market account \$185,818.42 and sales tax account \$48,844.49 totaling \$285,590.98. Balance in the operating account for June 30 was \$54,670.12, money market account \$185,826.31 and sales tax account \$49,380.27 for an ending balance of \$289,876.70. Denny Desmond reported that \$1,408.79 had been transferred from the Sales Tax Account to the operating account to pay for Republic Services for dumpsters. Motion made by Beverly Kiehl and second by Dale Owen to accept the treasurer report as presented. In favor 5 Opposed 0. Motion passed.

Pending liabilities totaling \$1,544.12 were presented (Paul Horton \$1,200.00 snow removal, Eagle Eye Printing \$256.31 *Leawood Ledger* printing and mailing, Newton County Treasurer \$7.81 collection fees, Warten, Fisher, and Lee, legal fees, U.S. Postal Service \$80.00 post office box rent). ACH payments to Empire District Electric totaling \$703.21 resulting in a total of \$2,247.33 were presented by Brad Long. Motion made by Fran Owen and second by Beverly Kiehl to pay pending liabilities totaling \$2,247.33. In favor 5 Opposed 0. Motion passed.

Denny Desmond presented the Chairman's Report of Financial Information as of June 30, 2019. As of, 2019 there was a surplus of \$34,090. Motion made by Dale Owen 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 Village Ordinances:

- A) Animal Control Ordinance - Beverly Kiehl reported that the approved plans to coordinate with the City of Joplin for animal control services will be on hold until a new Joplin City Manager is hired relieving Dan Pekarek, Joplin Health Department Director and acting Interim City Manager of his double work load. Ben Leavens, retired veterinarian, will coordinate with Dan Pekarek on our behalf. Animal control is under the Joplin City Health Department.
 - i) In the meantime the Newton County Sheriff's department resolved a resident's call to assist with a dog running at large on Indiana.
- B) Parking Ordinance – The current Parking Ordinance will be observed. Residents may ask for a variance if observance of the ordinance imposes a hardship.

2 Comprehensive Plan:

- A) Beautification Projects:
 - i) Brad Long reported the dumpsters will be available for residents this fall from Friday, October 4th through Monday October 14th on the northeast corner of 50th Street and Connecticut Street and 126 Valleyview in Southern Hills. This beautification project is funded by the Sales Tax monies.

3 New Resident Information Packets - Work is progressing on the Welcome Packet reported Beverly Kiehl. An additional suggestion by the board to reword the Parking Ordinance on the Zoning and Ordinances on information page was discussed. The sentence requiring parking on a concrete or asphalt hard surface will be omitted.

4 Road Repairs – Kurt Higgins reported he will get bids had been sent out and would be opened on August 7, 2019 at 2:00 P.M. at his office. He requested a member of the board of trustees be present. Brad Long will attend.

5 Street Lights - A work order to install a street light at the entrance to Southern Hills has been submitted to Liberty Utilities Denny Desmond reported

6 Complaints/Issues:

- A) Saturday's BBQ – There was nothing new to report on the ongoing efforts to address a resident's complaint letter concerning the BBQ business and the negotiations with Eli Crawford, owner.
- B) The backyard geodesic dome on Indiana will be applying for a building permit reported Denny Desmond.

7 Dollar General:

- A) The Ordinance and Agreement for Sewer Service with the City of Joplin for the upcoming Dollar General Building was read by Marcia Long. Brad Long moved that that Ordinance 2019-1 be approved. The motion was seconded by Beverly Kiehl and it passed.

- 8 **U S Census** – Denny Desmond said the house to house census canvas will begin in August.
- 9 **Guarantee Bank** - Research by Denny Desmond and Dale Owen indicated Guarantee Bank offered the best opportunity for investment of a portion of Leawood Village funds. Denny Desmond moved that a \$100,000.00 certificate be secured at Guarantee Bank. Brad Long seconded the motion and it carried. Signers on the account will be Denny Desmond, Chairman, and Brad Long, Treasurer.

New Business:

1. **Building Permits:** - None issued.
2. **Complaints:**
 - A. This year's complaints from residents about mosquitoes were discussed. No action was taken.
 - B. Christy Hughes complained about the following issues:
 - i) Four homes that are enroute to her residence that have abandoned vehicles, trash and in need of mowing (no address given) and how it was depreciating the value of her residence.
 - ii) Fireworks containers left in the street that she had to drive over. She advised that she had talked to the resident about picking up the trash. However as the trash remained she reported she just pushed it all into the yard.
 - iii) Mail box lids being left open and her daughter hitting them with the car.
 - iv) Shady Lane Trailer Park
 - C. Beverly Kiehl complained:
 - i) Broken down shed in the backyard in a residence in Southern Hills
 - ii) Member of the board of trustees and their attitudes toward enforcing ordinances, etc.
3. **Village Legal Services:**
 - A. The Ordinance for Legal Service Agreement with Warten, Fisher, and Lee, L.L.C. for legal services was read by Marcia Long. Beverly Kiehl moved that that Ordinance 2019-2 be approved. Brad Long seconded the motion and it carried.
 - B. Denny Desmond will be the contact person with Attorney at Law, Derek Snyder of Warten, Fisher, and Lee, L.L.C.
4. **Village Tax Levy** - Denny Desmond said the Tax Levy shall remain at 0.2193. Brad Long moved the Tax Levy of 0.2193 be approved. Beverly Kiehl seconded the motion and it was approved.
5. **Special Use Permit** - Chris Sloan's application for a permit to raise chickens was approved for another 3 years per his request.

Brad Long moved that the meeting be adjourned. Beverly Kiehl seconded the motion and it passed.

It should be noted that the next meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on Thursday, September 19th, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. at Station #1 at 344 Redings Mill Road.

Minutes prepared by:

Minutes approved by:

Fran Owen, Secretary Date

Denny Desmond, Chairman