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Notice Public Meetings

**January 19, 2022
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, January 19, 2023 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 the November 17, 2022 meeting.
- Approve the treasurer's and financial reports and payment of bills.
- 2022 Trustee Review and Verification of Financial Transactions
- 44th Street Joplin Project-Water Run-Off – Joplin's response: "The City considers the matter fully resolved."
- \$137,518 funds from American Rescue Plan Act.
- Neighborhood Watch Program.
- Business License.
- CY2023 Financial Budget – Final Approval.
- Trimming trees hanging over roads – Parameters.
- Any other business that may come before the Board.
- Adjournment.

Financial Information – December 31, 2022

In August, the second installment of \$68,659 from the American Rescue Plan Act was received. The balance ARPA fund is \$137,518. \$45,000 expenditures were lower than \$186,094 revenues for +\$141,094 surplus (without \$68,659 from ARPA, normal surplus \$71,679) which increased cash to \$452,892. Normal revenues of \$116,679 exceed budget by \$32,513 due to +11,894 sales taxes, +\$8,880 Missouri DOR, +8,315 franchise taxes and +\$3,591 real estate taxes. Revenues exceeded last year by \$13,034 due to +\$7,062 sales taxes, +\$2,936 Missouri DOR and +\$3,364 franchise taxes.

Expenditures of \$45,000 are \$84,514 below budget due to \$27,749 lower expenses for consulting for issues related to 44th street Joplin construction/water issues, -\$42,000 due to delaying the tree trimming to 2023, -\$7,880 legal fees, -\$1,800 snow plowing and -\$2,763 minor road repairs. Expenditures were lower than last year due to -\$11,273 street signs, which was slightly offset by the replacement of cement barrier with gate cost of \$3,776. Balances in bank accounts are \$452,892 with \$119,589 (checking/operating), \$97,779 (money market/savings) and \$98,007 (sales tax account) and the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) fund \$137,518.

Business and Occupation Licenses

Ordinances for Licenses and Occupation Taxes for Peddlers and Solicitors with applications are available on the website. It is the responsibility of businesses/peddlers/solicitors to comply with these ordinances. If you have questions contact the village clerk, Dale Owen at 417-781-6370.

Around The Village

Message from your Chairman

I have been a member of the Board of Trustees since 2000 (22 years) and Chairman for 20 years. My grandkids have asked me "how do you get a position like that (they call me Mayor of Leawood). My response won't be a surprise: "No one else has volunteered." Other trustees have been on the board for many years. The trustees average age is 70+-. With that said I will run for reelection in 2023 but not 2025, when I will be seventy-eight.

So, it is important that we establish a transition and need the involvement of residents of Leawood. We will need to submit a Comprehensive Plan in 2024 (ten years since the 2014 Plan). HSTCC has agreed again to lead us. A committee will be established like last time and will start meeting in September. This will be an opportune time to address the transition issues. I am proud of what the Board of Trustees had accomplished during my tenure. The challenges have been many due to being a "small village with limited legal alternatives."

City of Joplin – 44th and Connecticut

Due to concerns about the existing and potential water run-off from this completed project and other potential developments, earlier this year a hydro engineer from Columbia MO was retained to conduct a site review and review the City of Joplin's details for the project.

A memorandum of the review was prepared and forwarded to Joplin in early April. After a few meetings and further analysis/review by their engineers/consultants, Joplin advised "the City recognizes and relies on its experts that have concluded that the City has lessened the impact of the storm water runoff in that area. The City considers the matter fully resolved."