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Notice Public Meetings

Board of Trustees

May 15, 2025
7:00 P.M.

Planning & Adjustment

Board 6:30 PM

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 **7:00 P.M. on Thursday, May 15, 2025 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. The Planning and Zoning Commission and Board of Adjustments will meet at 6:30 to elect officers, approve the resolution for adopting the 2024 Comprehensive Plan and any other business.

Agenda – Board of Trustees

- Meeting to Order: Pledge of Allegiance, Invocation & Roll Call.
- Approve the minutes from March 20th meeting
- Treasurers' financial reports and payment of bills.
- 2024 Comprehensive Plan: Final Report and Passing Resolution from Planning and Zoning Commission.
- \$21,280 proposal from Full Send Construction for culvert issues on Connecticut Street and Valleyview Drive.
- Any other business that may come before the Board.
- Adjournment.

Financial Information – February 28, 2025

YTD (four months) \$64,169 revenues are lower than \$56,195 expenses for a \$7,974 surplus. Revenues included \$16,652 real estate taxes and \$9,588 interest from certificates of deposits. Expenses included \$43,359 ARPA expenditures. Other expenses included \$2,699 for liability insurance for public officials. Revenues exceed budget by \$3,245 with expenses \$6,661 below budget. The \$7,794 surplus increased cash to \$556,326 It includes \$23,115 in checking, \$46,576 in money market, and \$44,084 in sales tax and \$442,450 in certificates of deposit at 4.0% interest rate.

Spring Dumpsters

Due to significant rainfall and its impact/damage to the ground/yard it has been necessary to reschedule to May 30th to June 1st.at the same two locations. Unacceptable items include furniture, mattresses, appliances, electronics, and tires/wheels.

Roads – Plans/Costs

The initial phase of crack sealing the roads was completed in December. The \$39,605 cost was twice the approved bid. The micro surfacing of roads will cost \$136,862 and will be done in late summer.

Leawood has been in discussion with Joplin to improve the turn from Connecticut north onto the roundabout on 44th.

Comprehensive Plan

The 2024 Comprehensive Plan (CP must be updated every 10 years) and has been posted on our website. Trustees will pass a Resolution to adopt the 2024 CP at the May trustee meeting. The 2024 Plan will then be filed with the Newton County Recorder of Deeds. Harry S Truman Coordinating Council assisted in the preparation at the same \$3,000 cost as in 2014,

Facebook and our website

www.leawoodvillage.com has been updated and includes a lot of information including ordinances. Our postings to Village of Leawood Facebook increased in 2024. Residents are encouraged to join this private group (now have over two hundred members). Indicate on FB any additional information that should be posted.

New Retail Businesses

The convenience store at 5100 Rangeline (next to the bank) will be opening soon. A building permit has been issued to Gunner Rogers for Kenny's Tire next to Dollar General.

American Rescue Plan Act

Leawood received \$137,518 from the ARPA in 2021 and 2022. Leawood had until December 31, 2024 to spend/commit the money. As of January 31st all \$137,518 was spent, as required. Spending included: \$24,531 for the storm water improvements on 47th and Wendi; \$17,034 on debris removal from the May storm/ \$40,000 for a portion of Hidden Valley streets; and \$7,000 for drain cover at Horseshoe/50th. Commitments include \$39,555 for crack sealing roads and \$3,754 for street repairs in Brookwood. The final Treasury reports were filed as required by April 30th.

Thank You

We wish to say thank you to Denny Desmond for the twenty-five plus years he has served the residents of our village.