The recessed Special Closed Meeting of May 19, 2016 was called to order at 7:06pm by Chairman Barker. Trustee McClure moved to adjourn the Special Closed Meeting of May 19, 2016, seconded by Trustee Sulzberger. All yea. Motion carried.

The Regular Meeting of May 23, 2016 was called to order.

Present: Trustees Carter, McClure, Sulzberger, Thompson, Chairman Barker, Chief Bill Stewart, and Chief Coonce.

Chairman Barker requested that all stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustee McClure moved to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 9, 2016 as written, seconded by Trustee Carter. All yea. Motion carried.

Trustee McClure moved to approve the Minutes of the Special Meeting of May 19, 2016 as written, seconded by Trustee Sulzberger. All yea. Motion carried.

Trustee Carter moved to approve the Payment of Bills for the period of May 6-19, 2016, seconded by Trustee Sulzberger. All yea. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Trustee Sulzberger questioned Chief Coonce on the status of the signs. Chief informed the Board that there was $4,000.00 budgeted, and Jason was ordering stop signs, no parking signs, and 25mph signs. The work order has been put in place, and several given to Jason of Public Works.

Trustee Carter questioned the radar unit being placed on Bryant Street. Chief Coonce informed the Board that many tickets had been issued on Bryant Street, and Jason was getting a new battery for the radar unit. It is a solar battery. He stated that Lowell Street was being used as a “drag strip”, and requested it be placed there next.

Trustee McClure questioned securing the gate next to Brown Industrial. Chief Coonce stated that Jason had spoke with them, and they were taking care of it. Trustee McClure stated that the Barvick property, 488 Park, and Blue Nile had been mowed. There was a incident at McDonald's and it appeared that Kansas City Dispatch had given out the wrong address. When the call went out to Claycomo, they responded promptly. The manager at McDonald's wanted to thank Officers' Mansfield and Hessenflow for their continued efforts. Chief Coonce is checking with Kansas City Dispatch on this matter, as well as what appeared to be a delay in a call on Lowell Street. Trustee McClure had attended the Park Board Meeting. There were two young men there that are pursuing their eagle scout projects in the parks. They discussed volunteers for the park clean up day and the upcoming stream team event. She stated that Jason had ordered supplies and necessary items to restock for the stream team event. She stated that Chairman Barker and Jason had been trying to get bids for the electrical panel at Mildred Keeney Park.

NEW BUSINESS:
Resident Dale Goeller stated he had brought pictures of the flooding earlier in the day. Chairman Barker told of driving through the Village when the rain let up. The creek was up to the bottom of the bridge on Park Street, and many back yards flooded. The flumes on the bridge at I-435 and Randolph Road appeared to be plugged with debris. She stated Chief Coonce was contacted, and he contacted Chief Stewart and the Fire Department. The pumper was used to blast the debris out of the flumes. It took several attempts to clear the area. Years ago there was a list of the potential areas of flooding that was posted. This list should be recreated with possible names, addresses, and phone numbers if possible. There may be a need to contact these folks and encourage evacuation. She could recall such an incident many years back, and thanked the Fire Department and Chief Coonce for their efforts.

Elena Jamerson of Park Street understood that the property at 488 E. Park had been mowed, but questioned the safety of the house. Chief Coonce stated that Jason was looking into declaring the structure as a dangerous building.

Marj Stallings questioned the status of the audit and Clerk position. Chairman Barker informed her that Bruce Culley continued cleaning up the audit. The positions for the Clerk positions had been advertised, and the board had been conducting interviews.

Daryl Graves of Lowell Street had spoken with Chief Coonce regarding ATV's racing up and down Lowell Street. He will remind the officers to keep and eye out. ATV's are not street legal. Chief Coonce stated the residents of 230 E. Lowell had been contacted regarding obtaining a building permit.

Application for a sign permit from KC Sign Express for replacement panels for a ground sign at KC Metro Cuts. The sign is already in place. Trustee McClure moved to grant this permit, subject to the Building Inspectors approval, seconded by Trustee Sulzberger. Trustees: Carter yea, McClure yea, Sulzberger, yea, and Chairman Barker yea. Trustee Thompson opposed. Motion carried.

Application for a sign permit from Mid-America Sign, LLC for a wall sign at Macaluso's. Trustee Thompson moved to grant this permit, subject to the Building Inspector's approval, seconded by Trustee McClure. All yea. Motion carried.

Speed letter from Chief Coonce was read, requesting to moved Patrolman, Sean Benjamin from part time status back to full time status, with an annual salary of $35,690.00, to serve a six month probation period. Trustee Carter moved to grant this request, seconded by Trustee Sulzberger. All yea. Motion carried.

Trustee Sulzberger stated that her husband was working on a flyer to place in the businesses, regarding the upcoming events in the Village. Spring clean up, Stream Team, Clean up day at the parks, and the annual garage sale. This information can be posted on the Website also. Residents will be required to show ID clarifying they are residents at the Spring clean up day. Chairman Barker informed everyone that there would not be a newsletter going out at this time. We do not have the staff to prepare it.

Trustee Carter stated that he wanted to thank the residents of our Village for how they handle their disputes, and how they make an effort to get along with their neighbors. He had a friend who was killed recently at a party over a simple dispute. He is thankful that situations can be handled with dignity and admires the friendliness in our village.
Trustee McClure stated that Dianna Hollis of the Park Board asked if the Board might support having a monthly dinner with McMurry Church in our community building. They felt this could bring people together outside of the church atmosphere. It was the consensus of the board that the village could not take on any such events at this time, with the lack of staff. The seniors meet once a month at the community building, there are usually only three of them. Maybe they could check in with them.

Chairman Barker read a letter from Greg Harris, Firefighter/EMT, requesting to change his employment status from full-time to part-time, effective May 22, 2016. Trustee McClure moved to grant this request, seconded by Trustee Sulzberger. All yea. Motion carried.

Trustee Thompson moved to go into Executive Session to discuss Employee Matters, as required by RSMO Section 610.021 (3), and that all records be kept sealed and confidential, seconded by Trustee McClure. Roll call: Trustees; Carter yea, McClure yea, Sulzberger yea, Thompson yea, and Chairman Barker yea. Motion carried. Recessed 8:02pm.

The meeting was called back to order at 9:48pm.

Trustee McClure moved to terminate James Bonikoski, effective immediately, and that all property be returned to the Village, seconded by Trustee Sulzberger. All yea. Motion carried.

Trustee Thompson moved to recess the meeting, subject to the call of the Chairman, seconded by Trustee Carter. All yea. Motion carried. Recessed: 9:49pm.

Marina Barker
Chairman
Board of Trustees