

## **AG's office probes County Club Village**

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Country Club Village must respond by Aug. 22 to a Sunshine Law complaint being investigated by the Missouri Attorney General's office.

The complaint alleges that the village violated open-meetings laws by frequently holding meetings without proper public notice and canceling meetings without proper notice. The complaint also alleges that trustees use personal forms of communication that aren't disclosed to the public.

Sunshine laws require meetings, records, votes, actions and deliberations of governmental bodies to be open to the public. There are exceptions to the law but public access is to be liberally construed.