City of Leoti Governing Body met in regular session Tuesday, February 18, 2025 at 6:30 p.m., at the City Hall Meeting Room.

Mayor Chris Kreutzer called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Mayor Kreutzer asked City Clerk Jeannine Hassell for Roll Call; Council President Derek Meyer, Councilors Kelma Burch, Aron White and Jim Kreutzer. Also present were City Attorney Charles Moser, City Superintendent Blaine Medina, City Treasurer Liz Gould, Judith Lemus, Shane Harris, Virginia Harris, John Peraro and Nikki Bjurstrom.

Mayor Kreutzer opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

White moved J. Kreutzer seconded to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

The Consent Agenda items included: a. February 3, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes, b. Payroll warrants \$19,747.46, c. Accounts Payable warrants \$58,938.47. (The warrants were available for review).

Meyer moved Burch seconded to approve the consent agenda items a-c. Motion carried unanimously.

City Treasurer Liz Gould shared the certificate of deposits have reached maturity at Western State Band and Security State Bank. Western State Banks bid for two certificate of deposits was 4.20% and Security State Bank bid for one certificate of deposit renewal was 4.34%.

White moved Burch second to renew the two certificates of deposits at Western State Bank with an interest of 4.20% and one certificate of deposit at Security State Bank with an interest rate of 4.34%. Motion carried unanimously.

Liz Gould left the meeting at 6:33 pm.

Mayor Kreutzer welcomed Judith Lemus with Wichita County Park and Recreation and Nikki Bjurstrom with Wichita County Economic Development and Leoti Land Bank for the 2025 first quarter update.

Judith Lemus left the meeting at 6:35 pm.

Council reviewed Carol Roberts with Leoti Housing Authority written report.

Council reviewed the quotes for the Kubota Side By Side from the previous council meeting with the addition of a quote from White Star Machinery, Garden City for a Bobcat Side By Side for a total of \$48,982.82.

White moved Burch second to approve the purchase of a Side By Side Kubota from Central Power Systems & Services, Garden City for \$22,350.04. Motion carried unanimously.

City Clerk Hassell gave a brief update on the storm weather sirens. They have been ordered and should be in around the end of March or beginning of April.

City Superintendent Medina asked council for permission to take unwanted items to the consignment sale in March. Council asked for a list and pictures of the items by the next council meeting.

City Attorney Moser had nothing new to share at this time.

City Superintendent Blaine Medina reported he passed the Class II Water Operator certification test. Medina will reach out to local contractors for bids on the installation of a new water line out to Nutrien Ag. Medina shared that nitrate levels are dropping due to water conservation by area farmers. The city crew worked Wednesday and Thursday cleaning up the streets after the snow fall last Tuesday.

City Clerk Hassell shared the office staff have been battling the flu but on the road to recovery.

Nikki Bjurstrom left the meeting at 7:15 pm.

White moved Burch seconded to recess into executive session pursuant to the nonelected personnel matters exception, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1), to discuss the code enforcement officer position for 15 minutes with Council, Mayor, City Superintendent, City Attorney, City Clerk, Applicant One. Meeting resumed at 7:32 p.m. Mayor Kreutzer declared no action taken.

White moved Meyer seconded to recess into executive session pursuant to the nonelected personnel matters exception, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1), to discuss the code enforcement officer position for 15 minutes with Council, Mayor, City Superintendent, City Attorney, City Clerk and Applicant Two. Meeting resumed at 7:50 p.m. Mayor Kreutzer declared not action taken.

The next city council meeting is on Monday, March 3, 2025 at 6:30 pm.

There being no further business Meyer made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m. White seconded. Motion carried.

Chris Kreutzer, Mayor

Jeannine Hassell, City Clerk

