

City of Leoti Governing Body met in regular session Monday, March 17, 2025 at 6:30 p.m., at the City Hall Meeting Room.

Mayor Chris Kreutzer called the meeting to order at 6:49 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 Superintendent Blaine Medina, Code Enforcement Officer Shane Harris, City Attorney Charles Moser, Janis Marcotte, Eric Hassell and Gary Campas.

Mayor Kreutzer opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Meyer moved White seconded to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

The Consent Agenda items included: a. March 3, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes, b. Payroll warrants \$18,995.57, c. Accounts Payable warrants \$13,429.02. (The warrants were available for review).

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

Mayor Kreutzer welcomed Janis Marcotte, June Jaunt committee member. Marcotte shared the June Jaunt will be held on Saturday, June 7<sup>th</sup> at the county park and the committee is looking to rent a porta potty trailer. The cost of the trailer is around \$600 and the committee is asking if the City would help with half of the cost. They are also requesting a street closure of the 600 and 700 block of south 5<sup>th</sup> Street to Orange Street for the June Jaunt event. Marcotte also asked if the City would bring some extra trash cans for the event.

White moved to pay for half the cost of the porta potty trailer (Approximately \$300), the street closure of the 600 and 700 block of south 5<sup>th</sup> Street to Orange Street and bring extra trash cans for the event. Burch seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Janis Marcotte left the meeting at 6:34 pm.

A Certificate of Deposit at Security State Bank will mature on March 21, 2025. A bid letter received from Western State Bank was the only letter received with an interest rate of 4.20% for 12 months.

J. Kreutzer moved Burch seconded to move the Certificate of Deposit from Security State Bank to Western State Bank with an interest rate of 4.20% for 12 months. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Kreutzer welcomed Wichita County Municipal Golf Course board members Eric Hassell and Gary Campas. Hassell and Campas shared the city owned wells located at the golf course cannot be used for the 2025 year due to compliance issues with the LEMA program. The WCMGC board, County Commissioners and Mayor Kreutzer have met with Mitch French, Kansas Department of Agriculture (Garden City) and Katie Durham, Groundwater Management District (Scott City) for guidance on how to move forward and correcting the compliance issues. WCMGC board members are requesting the help from the City to run a line of city water out to the golf course for the 2025 season and to use as a backup once the wells are running again. City Superintendent Medina shared two different ideas on how to get city water routed to the golf course. The estimated cost of materials will range from \$10,000 to \$20,000 depending on the route that is taken. The amount of water used by the golf course will not go over the allotment. Hassell and Campas shared that the golf course is at an all-time high of memberships, the cart sheds are full and High School girl's golf was added this past year. The golf course is an important part of Leoti.

White moved Burch seconded for the approval of connecting to city water at a cost of \$10,000 to \$20,000. Motion carried unanimously.

Eric Hassell and Gary Campas left the meeting at 7:07 pm.

White moved Burch seconded to approve the renewal of EMC Insurance for 2025 in the amount of \$103,693.00. Motion carried unanimously.

The Tribe Booster Club is interested in purchasing banners with the school mascot to put up during the school year. If the booster club wants to move forward council agreed they would need to be the same size as the banners the city currently hangs. Mayor Kreutzer will share the information with the booster club.

Discussion was held on the traffic in the alley of the 100 block of north 4<sup>th</sup> Street. (Alley behind Leoti Food, Security State Bank). Citizens have expressed concerns with near miss accidents and suggested making it a one way alley. No decision was made.

White moved Burch seconded to approve Invoice #899487 from Hickman Environmental Services for lift station repairs and supplies in the amount of \$7,721.69. Motion carried unanimously.

City Attorney Moser shared information on the Scofield small claims court appeal.

Code Enforcement Officer Harris shared he has received multiple skunk calls and is controlling the issue with traps. Harris is working on getting abandoned/junked vehicles removed that are parked on the streets. Harris has visited with a business owner on getting his property cleaned up and in order. Harris and city employees have been working on making the dog run larger at the pound and putting in a dog door. He has also followed up with a resident who had more than six chickens and no permit.

City Superintendent Medina shared when weather permits they are spraying sterilant to keep the weeds down. The crews have been busy picking up debris from the wind storms. B & H Paving will be here in late May or June to chip seal the southwest quadrant. The sidewalk and curbing were looked at on the 300 block of Earl Street and 7<sup>th</sup> Street. Medina will get a hold of EBH Engineering and discuss the cracking of the curbing.

City Clerk Hassell reported the audit review and budget prep workshop with Lewis, Hooper and Dick will be on Thursday, June 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. Hassell will be out of the office the rest of the week to attend CCMFOA Spring Clerks Conference in Manhattan, Kansas. Blaine and Patty Medina will be out of the office/shop March 24<sup>th</sup> through March 27<sup>th</sup> to attend KRWA Conference in Wichita, Kansas.

The next city council meeting is on Monday, April 7, 2025 at 6:30 pm.

There being no further business White made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m. J. Kreutzer seconded. Motion carried.



Chris Kreutzer, Mayor



Jeannine Hassell, City Clerk

