

City of Leoti Governing Body met in regular session Monday, October 20, 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 Aron White, Kelma Burch and Jim Kreutzer. City Superintendent Blaine Medina, City Attorney Charles Moser, Sheriff Kasper, Aimee Baker and Finn Baker were also present.

Mayor Kreutzer opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

The Consent Agenda items included: a. October 6, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes, b. Payroll warrants \$19,127.79, c. Accounts Payable warrants \$20,056.24. (The warrants were available for review)

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

Mayor Kreutzer opened the floor to public comments. Sheriff Kasper gave an update with the ongoing email scam investigation. The FBI has been involved in the investigation and has uncovered a money mule in Alabama. They have found approximately \$6000.00 in a bank account linked to the money mule. They also discovered some funds have been moved to Texas. Council thanked Sheriff Kasper for his help and update.

Sheriff Kris Kasper left the meeting at 6:35 pm.

Mayor Kreutzer welcomed Aimee Baker, City Grant Writer to the meeting. Baker gave an update on the water infrastructure grant that was turned in last month. We will not know the outcome until February 2026. Baker shared she is working on a grant for the Leoti Volunteer Fire Department air packs and grants for play equipment for the city park.

Aimee and Finn Baker left the meeting at 7:05 pm.

White moved Burch seconded for the approval of the proposed revision to the nepotism policy. (Council may, upon a majority vote grant a waiver). Motion carried unanimously.

Council reviewed City Treasurer Gould's reports. Council had no questions or concerns with the reports.

City Superintendent Medina reported he received a call today that the storm pond pump has been repaired. Medina will be visiting with the electrician about the decorative lights at the courthouse. The sewer jetter/vacuum truck and garbage truck have been fixed in house. A load of salt was delivered to the water treatment plant.

City Clerk Hassell shared that the staff, crew, along with a few council members gave Kenny Staley a retirement party on October 10<sup>th</sup>. A good time was had by all. Hassell reminded council the city would be participating in Giving Day this year for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July fireworks display. Also a reminder on the city is hosting the Trunk or Treat on October 31<sup>st</sup>. Hassell updated council on the south Highway 25 mill and overlay project. Hassell contacted Representative Jim Minnix and Dr. Clifford to share the issues with the project. Mr. Minnix made some calls and got back with Hassell. Joe Finley, KDOT (Garden City Office) called Hassell to discuss the situation. He made some calls and got back with Hassell to share they would go curb to curb with the mill and overlay but the city would have to paint the parking stripes. KDOT has had major turnover and with all the changes, notes were not taken or shared with new people. Hassell shared she will be out of the office October 27-29<sup>th</sup> to attend the fall CCMFOA conference in Wichita.

City Attorney Moser asked for more information regarding the property that is not in compliance with city ordinance to move forward filing a complaint.

City Attorney Moser left the meeting at 7:20 pm.

Burch moved Meyer seconded to recess into executive session pursuant to the nonelected personnel matters exception, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1), to discuss an employee evaluation for 15 minutes with Council, Mayor, City Superintendent and City Clerk. Meeting resumed at 7:38 p.m. White moved Burch seconded to give said employee discussed in executive session said increase to wages. Motion carried unanimously.

City Superintendent left the meeting at 7:40 pm.

White moved J. Kreutzer seconded to recess into executive session pursuant to the nonelected personnel matters exception, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1), to discuss an employee evaluation for 10 minutes with Council and Mayor. Meeting resumed at 7:53 p.m. White moved Meyer seconded to give said employee discussed in executive session said increase to wages. Motion carried unanimously.

The next council meeting is set for Monday, November 3, 2025 at 6:30 pm.

There being no further business Meyer made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 p.m. Burch seconded. Motion carried.



Derek Meyer, Vice-President



Jeannine Hassell, City Clerk

