City of Leoti Governing Body met in regular session Monday, April 1, 2024 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 (entered at 6:52 pm), Aron White, Jim Kreutzer. Also present were City Superintendent Blaine Medina, City Attorney Charles Moser Sheriff Kris Kasper, Brady Harbin and Lane Wells. Councilor Greg Graff was absent.

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

The Consent Agenda items included: a. March 18, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes, b. Payroll warrants \$16,884.41, c. Payroll warrants \$12,048.33 d. Accounts Payable warrants \$110,958.25. (The warrants were available for review).

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

Mayor Kreutzer welcomed Brady Harbin and Lane Wells, Wichita County Community Foundation (WCCF). Harbin and Wells were present to answer any questions pertaining to the revised endowed fund agreement between WCCF and the City of Leoti. The revisions made are WCCF will disaffiliate from Western Kansas Community Foundation because all property held by Western Kansas Community Foundation will be transferred to WCCF, to carry out the charitable purpose of the fund.

White moved Meyer seconded for the approval of the endowed fund agreement between Wichita County Community Foundation and the City of Leoti. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Kreutzer opened the floor to public comments. There was no public comment.

Mayor Kreutzer proceeded with the sealed bid opening for the sale of a 1997 Chevy Cheyenne 3500 known as Fire Truck No. 424. The sealed bid was opened by Mayor Kreutzer and a bid of \$5000 was read aloud. Council stated the starting minimum bid was set at \$20,000 therefore the bid was not considered. Kreutzer will notify Fire Chief Nickelson and move forward with listing it online auction sites.

Discussion was held on paid holidays in the employee handbook. A request for the additions of a half a day on Good Friday and Fair Friday is added.

White moved Burch seconded to approve the addition of paid holidays, half a day on Good Friday and Fair Friday. Yeas and nays called and Councilmembers White, Burch and J. Kreutzer voted yea. Councilmember Meyer voted nay. Absent: Councilmember Graff. Three yeas, one nay. Motion carried.

City Attorney Moser shared draft Ordinance 2024-01 City Burning Regulations with council. This ordinance would set restrictions on outdoor burning for the protection of life and property. Discussion was held and tabled until suggested changes are made. Moser will draw up a new draft with the changes for the next council meeting.

City Superintendent Medina shared an update on the Highway 96 project. Weather permitting the sidewalks should be finished in two to three weeks. Then an asphalt crew will work on the east and west ends of town. Striping the turning lanes will be the final work done on the project. The crew has been busy changing out end of life water meters and light bulbs on the decorative lamp post. Marcotte will be taking the mosquito fogger to Dodge City on Tuesday to be calibrated.

City Clerk Hassell shared the Earl Street project is slated to begin mid-April. The public hearing for the zoning change was held on March 28th with no disputes. The zoning change will be added to the April 15, 2024 agenda for council approval.

Next city council meeting date is Monday, April 15, 2024.

White moved Meyer seconded for adjournment at 7:37 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Chris Kreutzer, Mayor

Jeannine Hassell, City Clerk