

City of Leoti Governing Body met in regular session Monday, June 17, 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; Councilors Aron White, Jim Kreutzer and Kelma Burch (per phone). Also present were City Treasurer Liz Gould, Gary Campas, Lynda Goodrich, Kris Casper, Steve Baum and Deputy City Clerk Cendy Morcillo. City Attorney Charles Moser (per phone), Council President Derek Meyer, Councilor Greg Graff and City Superintendent Blaine Medina were absent.

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

The Consent Agenda items included: a. June 3, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes, b. Payroll warrants \$17,810.04, c. Accounts Payable warrants \$39,188.74 (The warrants were available for review).

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

Mayor Kreutzer welcomed Gary Campas, Wichita County Municipal Golf Course. Campas reported the golf course is in need of updating a greens mower. Since COVID, the golf course has seen a growth in memberships. The golf course also is one of the few adult activities found in Leoti. High school golf has taken off and will start the fall with HS Girls Golf. More activity at the course requires more work to keep up the greens and fairways. Campas shared the County Commissioners allocated WCMGC \$10,000 to put towards a greens mower. After shopping around, used greens mowers are well over \$10,000. Campas found a 2013 Jacobson greens mower in Colorado for \$14,500 with 1500 hrs. WCMGC is requesting \$4,500 from the City to purchase the Jacobson mower. Council will discuss this with the auditor at the next council meeting on July 1, 2024.

Gary Campas left the meeting at 6:41 pm

Mayor Kreutzer opened the floor to public comments. Liz Gould commented that she is concerned with multiple skunks seen during the day and spraying on the property of 705 E Logan. The surrounding neighbors are concerned the skunks will move to their property. The city crews have set traps at the property but have not trapped any to date. The property is also full of items that have citizens concerned about the welfare of the property. Council agreed to discuss it further before taking any action.

Mayor Kreutzer welcomed Steve Baum, Wichita County Emergency Manager and Kris Casper, Wichita County Sheriff were present to share information on replacing or fixing the severe weather sirens in Leoti. Baum shared information and bids from Emergency Equipment, Sentry Sirens and Storm Sirens, Inc. Discussion was held on replacing all of them or getting rid of all three and replacing with one. Baum and Council all agreed it would be most effective to replace them all. There are grants available for severe weather sirens. Baum and Hassell will look into available grants. Estimated cost for replacement of three stationary warning sirens, decoder and installation would cost approximately \$88,750.00 from Storm Sirens, Inc. Norman, OK. Baum will get an updated cost and gather more information for the upcoming 2025 budget workshop on the regular scheduled meeting set for July 1, 2024 at 8:30 am.

White moved J. Kreutzer seconded for the approval of Earl Street Project Pay Estimate No. 1 in the amount of \$33,291. (\$10,000-Street, \$26,990 Waterline, -\$3,699 Retainage) Motion carried unanimously.

White moved J. Kreutzer seconded to approve the Right of Way Easement with Wheatland Electric Cooperative, Inc. described as a primary electric pole, anchors and meter pole, to be set in the Garlands Addition at the South edge of Perkins Street, between Block 19, Lot 7 and Block 20, Lot 13, in the SE ¼ of Section 13, Township 18 S, Range: 37 W. Motion carried unanimously.

White moved J. Kreutzer seconded to approve the quote of \$14,799.92 from Berry Tractor for the repair of 2018 Tool Cat. Motion carried unanimously.

J. Kreutzer moved White seconded for the approval of Ordinance 2024-03 **AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LEOTI, KANSAS, PROVIDING FOR REQUIREMENTS OF ATTENDANCE BY MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNING BODY AT REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF LEOTI, KANSAS.** Motion carried unanimously.

City Treasurer Liz Gould shared the Treasurer's and Budget Authority report. Gould shared the year is half over and the city is sitting well.

Council reviewed a written report from City Superintendent Blaine Medina.

City Clerk Jeannine Hassell reported that Treasurer Liz Gould and she met with Lisa Axman, Lewis, Hooper and Dick to review the 2023 audit and discuss the 2025 budget. Lisa Axman will return on Monday, July 1, 2024 at 8:30 am to have an audit and

budget workshop with council at the regular meeting. Hassell set in on a three day KMU webinar on Lead and Copper. The deadline is quickly approaching, October 16, 2024.

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, Mayor and Deputy City Clerk. Meeting resumed at 7:49 p.m. Mayor Kreutzer declared not action taken.

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, Mayor and Deputy City Clerk. Meeting resumed at 8:00 p.m. Mayor Kreutzer declared not action taken.

Meyer moved J. Kreutzer seconded to recess into executive session pursuant to the nonelected personnel matters exception, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(2), to discuss privileged in the attorney-client relationship for 5 minutes with Council, Mayor, City Attorney (per phone) and City Clerk. Meeting resumed at 8:08 p.m. Mayor Kreutzer declared not action taken.

Next city council meeting date is Monday, July 1, 2024 at 8:30 am.

There being no further business J. Kreutzer made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 pm. White seconded. Motion carried.



Chris Kreutzer, Mayor



Jeannine Hassell, City Clerk

