City of Leoti Governing Body met in regular session Monday, February 6, 2023 at 6:30 p.m., at the City Hall Meeting Room.

Mayor Charlie Hughes called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Mayor Hughes asked City Clerk Jeannine Hassell for Roll Call;, Councilors Kelma Burch, Tammie Meyer-Givens, Derek Meyer and Tyrrell Tankersley. Also present were City Attorney Charles Moser, City Superintendent Travis Seaton, Code Enforcer Adam Marcotte and City Treasurer Liz Gould. Council President Greg Graff was absent. Rosa Marquez-Krenzel, Lane Wells and Nikki Bjurstrom were also in attendance.

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

Givens moved Meyer seconded to approve the consent agenda items A-C. Motion carried unanimously.

City Attorney Moser reported the first municipal court went well. Moser and Dixon are still searching for a new court appointed attorney.

Mayor Hughes welcomed Rosa Marquez-Krenzel and Lane Wells. Krenzel and Wells shared there are grants available through the Wichita County Community Foundation. The grants can be used for things such as downtown beautification.

Mayor Hughes welcomed Nikki Bjurstrom. Bjurstrom shared a Land Bank committee has been formed. Members include, Nikki Bjurstrom, Allen Baker, Cooper Berning, Adrienne Burch and Adam Marcotte. Before appointments can be made the members must elect a Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Treasurer and Secretary. They must also set the terms. Bjurstrom will provide this information at the next council meeting on Tuesday, February 21, 2023.

Givens moved Burch seconded for the approval of the Pathways to a Healthy Community Pledge Multimodal Transportation and Recreation Trails Package. Motion passed.

Treasurer Liz Gould was present to discuss renewals of certificate of deposits at Western State Bank and Security State Bank.

Mayor Hughes opened the floor to public comments. No public comments.

Council reviewed the January 2023 Treasurers Report from City Treasurer Liz Gould.

City Superintendent Seaton reported there was a water main break on "J" Street between First and Second Street. The break has been patched and will be repaired when there is warmer weather. Discussion was held on possible fixes for the line. Seaton will get information of what the cost will be on a total replacement of the line. All lift stations have been serviced. Snow removal was discussed. Council gave permission for Travis Seaton and Blaine Medina to attend KRWA Conference in Wichita at the end of March.

Code Enforcer Marcotte shared there are two dogs currently in the dog pound up for adoption. One vicious dog is being held until court. Marcotte has been posting non-compliant properties that do not have house numbers on properties.

City Clerk Hassell shared Mayor Hughes, Seaton and Hassell attended a pre-construction meeting of Highway 96 project with KDOT via Zoom. The start date will be March 6, 2023. KDOT will be sending out more information in the next couple of weeks to share with the community. Forty-three veteran banners were ordered, no other orders with be taken this year. Council gave permission for Hassell to attend the CCMFOA Spring Conference in Manhattan at the end of March.

Givens moved Burch seconded to recess into executive session pursuant to the nonelected personnel matters exception, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1), to discuss a matter involving a city employee for 10 minutes with Council, Mayor, Code Enforcement Officer. Meeting resumed at 7:50 p.m. No action was taken.

Givens moved Burch seconded to recess into executive session pursuant to the nonelected personnel matters exception, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1), to discuss a matter involving a city employee evaluation for 5 minutes with Council, Mayor, City Clerk and City Superintendent. Meeting resumed at 8:00 p.m. No action was taken.

Meyer moved, Givens seconded for adjournment at 8:01 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor, Charlie Hughes

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Jeannine Hassell, City Clerk

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