City of Leoti Governing Body met in regular session Monday, May 1, 2023 at 6:30 p.m., at the City Hall Meeting Room.

Mayor Charlie Hughes called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

Mayor Hughes asked City Clerk Jeannine Hassell for Roll Call; Council President Greg Graff, Councilors Kelma Burch, Derek Meyer City Superintendent Travis Seaton and Code Enforcer Adam Marcotte. Councilors Tyrrell Tankersley, Tammie Meyer-Givens and City Attorney Charles Moser were absent.

Burch moved Meyer seconded to approve the agenda with the addition of d. Water Committee under Reports and c. Council Salaries under New Business. Motion carried unanimously.

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

City Code Enforcer Marcotte shared there are no dogs in the pound but there have been a lot of dog calls. The Planning and Zoning Committee are working on regulations for tiny houses. Building permits, mowing and bindweed are in full swing.

City Superintendent Seaton reported we will be getting twelve loads of millings from the highway 96 project. They will be used in alley ways and dirt roads. Seaton and County Superintendent Peters have been discussing using millings located at the county landfill. The city crew jetted the sewer mains in the southeast quadrant. Seaton and Jeff White with Nutrien Ag Solutions are discussing options of running a water line out to their new location on east highway 96.

City Clerk Hassell has been gathering information for the upcoming audit, researching information on the severe weather sirens and putting together a spreadsheet on utility cost on all the city wells. Hassell reminded council that on May 1st the new office hours will begin. Monday – Thursday 7:30 am to 5:00 pm and Friday 7:30 am to 1:00 pm. Hassell shared she had six customers during the lunch hour.

Council President Graff shared the information on the Planning and Zoning / Water board. He has also talked with Andrew Brunner, EBH about setting up a special meeting to discuss the wells.

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

Graff moved Meyers seconded for the approval of the Core and Main water meters quotes for wells #5 (\$1191.89), #15 (\$1487.98). Well #7's quote has been tabled. Motion carried unanimously.

Meyers moved Graff seconded for the approval of B & H Paving chip seal proposal for the northwest quadrant. \$102,300.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Council President Graff suggested when working on the budget to consider raising the Mayors salary and the possibility of hiring a City Administrator.

Mayor Hughes shared concerns on the aging sirens and adding a few more in town and possibly Marienthal and Selkirk. A new County Emergency Manager has been hired and will be looking into grants to replace the aging sirens.

Graff moved Myers 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 an evaluation of a nonelected personnel with Council, Mayor and Clerk for 10 minutes. The meeting resumed at 7:57 p.m. Graff moved Burch seconded for the approval of said pay raise discussed in executives session to said employee. Motion carried unanimously.

Burch moved Meyers seconded for adjournment at 8:02 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor, Charlie Hughes

Jeannine Hassell, City Clerk

