

City of Leoti Governing Body met in regular session Monday, March 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; Council President Greg Graff, Councilors Kelma Burch, Tammie Meyer-Givens, Derek Meyer. Also present were Code Enforcer Adam Marcotte, City Attorney Charles Moser and Jose Mendoza Chavez. Councilor Tyrrell Tankersley and City Superintendent Travis Seaton were absent.

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

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

City Attorney Moser shared he is still looking for a court appointed attorney to serve. Moser and Marcotte have been working on properties that are of concern.

Council and the City Attorney discussed land bank financials.

Mayor Hughes welcomed Jose Mendoza Chavez. Mr. Chavez shared his concern of high traffic on North 1<sup>st</sup> Street. Chavez asked if stop signs could be put on E Street and 1<sup>st</sup> to slow down traffic. City council will visit with the sheriff's office and look into it.

Givens moved Burch seconded for approval of B & H Paving crack sealing the northwest quadrant for an estimated cost of \$54,000. Motion carried unanimously.

Jose Mendoza Chavez left the meeting at 7:30 pm.

Discussion was held on the spring 2023 KDOT Cost Share Program (Streets). This program will pay up to 85% of the construction costs, and the City matches a minimum 15% plus all of the survey and design cost. Council agreed to have Andrew Brunner, EBH Engineering look at Earl Street K 25 to 7<sup>th</sup> Street and give a cost estimate.

Graff moved Meyer seconded for the approval of a lease with Key Office Products for a Sharp BP-70C31 copier \$206.19/60 months and Maintenance and Supplies agreement \$215.00/per month. Also a lease on a Formax 6210 folding and inserting machine for \$279.19/60 month and Maintenance and Supplies agreement \$235.62/per month. Motion carried unanimously.

Graff moved Meyer seconded for the approval of Hach Company service renewal for \$2,940.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Greg Graff shared he has been working with the Planning and Zoning committee on possible water projects. Purchasing water additional wells, conservation and efficiency, recharge and flood control and exploring additional funding grants are just a few of the projects they are considering. On Wednesday, March 22, 2023 at 1:30 at City Hall planning and zoning and invited guest will listen to a water presentation given by the City of Hays via Zoom.

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

Council reviewed City Superintendent Seaton's written report. The equipment for the Highway 96 project are arriving and getting prepped. The crew has been grading the dirt streets. A couple of lift stations have required maintenance. The crew has also finished up the bleachers at the baseball field.

Code Enforcer Marcotte shared there has been many dogs in and out the animal shelter. The two strays that have been boarded for some time will be taken to Western Plains Veterinary Clinic, Lakin to get spayed and neutered. Marcotte is hoping this will help get them adopted. The winner of the Chewy.com dog basket was Julie Eddy and Chloe. The City is offering \$50 gift certificates to apply toward the cost of spay or neuter at Western Plains Vet Clinic in Lakin. The gift certificates were made possible by Western Kansas Community Foundation and the Leoti Animal Care Program.

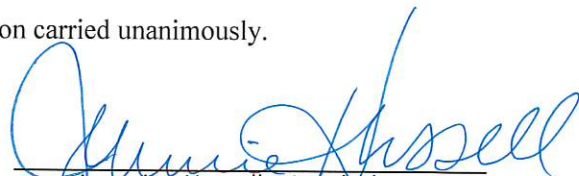
City Clerk Hassell reported that she and Mayor Hughes attended the Land Bank meeting on February 27, 2023. Municipal court was held on March 1, 2023. Utility billing was sent out. Hassell has been researching on how a Land Bank works from other Kansas towns.

Givens moved Graff 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 nonelected personnel with Council, Mayor and Clerk for 10 minutes. The meeting resumed at 8:20 p.m. No action was taken.

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Givens moved Meyer seconded for adjournment at 8:55 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

  
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Mayor, Charlie Hughes

  
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Jeannine Hassell, City Clerk

