

City of Leola -- Unofficial Council Meeting Proceedings

February 7, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Royce Erdmann. Present council members: Jackie Rau, Jackie Leibel, Richard Reis, Michael Yost, Alan Wimer, and Brett Schaible. City personnel present: Jim Hoffman, Jeff Tschappat and Sondra Waltman.

Wimer moved with a second from Schaible to approve the January council meeting minutes. All in favor, motion carried.

Yost moved with a second from Reis to approve the treasurer's report. All in favor, motion carried.

After review, Reis moved with a second from Wimer to pay the proposed bills, except the membership fee for South Dakota Association of Towns and Townships. Waltman will check into the benefits of SDATT and bring it to the council in March. All in favor, motion carried.

| Bills to be Considered for February 2022 | | |
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| Agtegra | Gas | \$ 30.01 |
| Aramark | Supplies | \$ 79.62 |
| Auto Owners | Vehicle Ins/new pickup | \$ 1,007.53 |
| Beck Law | Tax Documents | \$ 30.00 |
| Corporate Trust/US Bank | 5th Quarterly Pmt - Water Project | \$ 2,954.44 |
| CorTrust Visa | Postage/Payroll Fees/Envelopes | \$ 747.62 |
| Dependable Sanitation | Garbage Collection | \$ 60.00 |
| Gene's Oil Company | Gas & Diesel | \$ 562.60 |
| McPherson Co. Herald | Minutes/Election Notice | \$ 134.46 |
| Montana Dakota Utilities | Utilities | \$ 2,991.32 |
| Moser Excavating & Trucking | Water repair (Valley) | \$ 663.27 |
| Pam Walz | Mileage | \$ 33.60 |
| Rural Development | 118th Payment for Sewer | \$ 4,021.00 |
| SD Assoc Towns & Townships | Membership Dues | \$ 258.00 |
| South Dakota One Call | 811 Calls | \$ 112.35 |
| Valley | Telephone, Fax, Internet | \$ 349.52 |
| WEB Water | Water for January | \$ 6,286.51 |
| Westside Heating & AC | Propane | \$ 693.75 |
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| Payroll | Finance Office | \$ 3,333.34 |
| Payroll | Government Buildings | \$ 1,062.00 |
| Payroll | Library | \$ 1,042.00 |
| Payroll | Mayor/Council | \$ 19.90 |
| Payroll | Streets | \$ 6,012.50 |
| Payroll | SD Health Pool - Feb | \$ 1,549.64 |
| Payroll | SS, Med, W/H, SDRS with Matches | \$ 2,319.97 |

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| | Total | \$ 36,354.95 |
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At 7:15 pm a second public hearing was held on Ordinance 2022-01: Ward Redistricting. With no objections from the public, Reis moved with a second from Wimer to adopt the ordinance. All in favor, motion carried. Ordinance 2022-01 is as follows:

CITY OF LEOLA

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-01

AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE WARDS AND PRECINCTS DUE TO POPULATION CHANGES WITHIN THE CITY OF LEOLA.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MUNICIPALITY OF THE CITY OF LEOLA, MCPHERSON COUTY, SOUTH DAKOTA, that the following ordinance shall be amended for the Leola City Municipal Code:

2-2-1 WARDS AND PRECINCTS

The City of Leola is divided into three (3) wards as follows:

First Ward. All the territory in the City of Leola lying north of Highway 10/Main Street including the area from the center of 6th Avenue east to the center of Church Street which lies north of the center line of Moulton Street.

Second Ward. All the territory in the City of Leola lying south of Highway 10/Main Street and west of the center of 6th Avenue and the area lying south of the center of Moulton Street going east to the center of Sherman Street.

Third Ward. All the territory in the City of Leola lying east of the center of Sherman Street and South of the center of Moulton Street and the area lying east of the center of Church Street and South of Highway 10/Main Street.

First Reading: January 3, 2022

Second Reading: February 7, 2022

Publication Date: February 17, 2022

Effective Date: March 9, 2022

Royce Erdmann

Royce Erdmann, Mayor, City of Leola

Sondra Waltman

ATTEST: Sondra Waltman, Finance Officer,
City of Leola

NOTICE OF ADOPTION

ORDINANCE No. 2022-01 CHANGING THE WARDS AND PRECINCTS DUE TO POPULATION CHANGES WITHIN THE CITY OF LEOLA.

NOTICE is hereby given that Ordinance No. 2022-01 being an Ordinance changing the wards and precincts due to population changes within the City of Leola, as set forth, was duly adopted by the City of Leola on the 7th day of February, 2022 and that such Ordinance shall be effective March 9th, 2022.

Dated this 7th day of February, 2022

Royce Erdmann

Royce Erdmann, Mayor, City of Leola

At 7:30 pm, McPherson County Deputy Sheriff Allie Hilgemann joined the meeting to discuss the monthly county law report. With no questions from the council, she was thanked for her services and left the meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

Lifeguards: Previous lifeguards have been contacted to see who plans on returning for the 2022 season. When training/certification dates are set, advertisements will be in the paper and school announcements.

Dog Tags: There are 66 registered dogs. Late registration fees of \$200 per dog will be enforced.

2022 Election: The election date is set for the second Tuesday in April, which is April 12th. Elected officials that current terms expire include Ward One representative Richard Reis, Ward Two representative Michael Yost and Ward Three representative Jackie Rau. Mayor Royce Erdmann's one year term is up as well, concluding the prior Mayor's term. Both Mayor and Council Member are two-year terms for the 2022 election. If the city has an election, Wimer moved with a second from Reis to combine the election with the Leola School District on April 12th at the Municipal Building. Election workers and meals will be at a shared expense with the school; all other expenses (publications) will be each entities responsibility. All in favor, motion carried. Petitions can be circulated now until February 25th at 5 pm. Petitions may be printed online or picked up at the finance office. The finance office will be closed on February 24 and 25, so petitions will need to be dropped off at the Auditor's Office in the courthouse prior to 5 pm on February 25.

NEW BUSINESS

2022 MSHA Annual Refresher & Safety Training: Tschappat and Hoffman will attend the training in Aberdeen on February 16.

Ordinance Repercussions: Discussion was held regarding noncompliance of ordinances. A reminder that all cats and dogs must be registered with the city. After multiple complaints of stray cats in town, maintenance will start setting live traps and will remove nonregistered cats from the city.

Fireman's Fun Night: A representative from the Fire Department inquired about a Special Events Liquor License for their annual Fireman's Fun Night Fundraiser. Fireman's Fun Night is scheduled for March 26, with a weather delay date of April 2. Wimer moved with a second from Schaible to set a public hearing for the special events license for the next meeting on March 7 at 7:15 pm. All in favor, motion carried.

Donations: The Fireman Fun Night inquired about a donation. The city declined as they feel the fundraiser should have a good turnout.

District Meeting: The District 6 Annual Meeting will be held in Groton on March 23. Updates from the legislative sessions will be discussed.

Summit Carbon Solutions (CO2 Pipeline): After attending a local informational meeting, Mayor Erdmann shared some safety concerns regarding the pipeline. The pipeline location maps are changing frequently and is not going through city limits, so at this time no action will be taken other than to spread awareness to the public. There is an upcoming public meeting regarding the pipeline at the Municipal Building at 5:30 on Wednesday, February 16.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Street, Alley & Restricted Use Site: A mailbox was damaged while plowing snow. Reis moved with a second from Wimer to replace and install a new mailbox. All in favor, motion carried. Concerns about plowed slush freezing and blocking access ways were discussed. The part for the sander/gravel trailer has been ordered.

Water & Sewer: Schaible moved with a second from Wimer to purchase a new laptop to read water meters from ReadITech Solutions for the approximate cost of \$909. All in favor, motion carried. 31 late water bill letters were sent out and 11 red tags to disconnect services if payment wasn't made by the specified date.

Park, Recreation, & Pool: None.

Building & Equipment: The weather stripping on the west door of the Medical Building was discussed. Maintenance will look at it. The step by the door was also noted. Bright spray paint/signs were talked about to raise awareness regarding the step/ledge. A quote was discussed for a new Grasshopper lawn mower with a cab, blower, brush and 72" deck for \$27,800. Council asked to see prices on a 60" deck for better mobility between trees. Lights are out and need to be replaced in the Citizen's Building. When looking for a new dump truck, the GVWR cannot exceed 26,001 pounds for non CLD holders. A spring has punctured the box of the white pickup. Wimer moved with a second from Schaible to have it repaired at Curt's Repair. All in favor, motion carried.

Code Enforcement, Law Enforcement & Library Reports: The code enforcement and library reports were reviewed. Updates were shared regarding the appealed abatement on 709 Conklin Avenue. The property owner's attorney contacted the city office after the appeal. Waltman will reach out to both code enforcer Mike Olson and city attorney Vaughn Beck for clarification as to when the abatement can proceed.

Zoning: The zoning board met prior to the council meeting. Building permit regulations were discussed. Building permit fees are currently set at \$30. Going forward, a building permit will be required for all

changes/updates, including roofing and siding, regardless of the cost. Nontaxed entities (governmental entities, churches) will be required to obtain a permit, but no fee will be charged.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

UPCOMING MEETINGS: The next council meeting will be Monday, March 7th at 7 pm.

CORRESPONDENCE: An email from the South Dakota Municipal League with information from FEMA GO was shared. Council wishes to apply, in hopes that funding will be available to address the water drainage/curb and gutter on Leola Avenue by the school. A second email was shared inquiring if Leola would be interested in a voluntary study of wastewater testing with the CDC. Council declined. A third email from South Dakota Public Broadcasting was shared stating they wish to highlighting the community of Leola in the coming year.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Rau moved with a second from Leibel to enter executive session at 8:52 pm. All in favor, motion carried. At 9:12 pm, executive session concluded with no action taken.

ADDITIONAL TOPICS: A follow up will be made with Jensen Rock & Sand and Helms & Associates regarding a past bill clarification and updated maps from the water project. Schaible will contact Oban Construction to check the status of availability to grind/remove concrete from the RUS.

At 9:13 pm, Wimer moved with a second from Reis to adjourn. All in favor, motion carried.

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