

City of Leola -- Council Meeting Proceedings

July 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, Brett Schaible and Alan Wimer. City personnel present: Jim Hoffman and Sondra Waltman.

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

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

After discussion and determining a fraudulent invoice from Mountain Valley Power Rentals & Sales LLC, Reis moved with a second from Wimer to pay the remaining proposed bills. All in favor, motion carried.

Bills to be Considered for July 2022		
Agtegra	Fuel, battery, filter, oil, misc. parts, tire repair	\$ 221.62
Aramark	Supplies	\$ 39.81
Beck Law	Attorney Fees	\$ 300.00
Black Knight Pools, Spas & Games	Pool Chemicals	\$ 376.79
Cahill Bauer & Assoc	2021 Audit	\$ 7,125.00
Code Enforcement Specialists	June 2022 services	\$ 1,066.50
CorTrust Visa	Postage/Payroll Fees/Stamped Envelopes/Umbrella	\$ 847.27
DANR	Annual Fees	\$ 220.00
Dependable Sanitation	Garbage Collection/Large Item Collection	\$ 1,049.98
DRN ReadITech	Laptop	\$ 1,277.52
Gene's Oil Company	Gas & Diesel	\$ 789.35
Grassland Hutterian	Pumped septic tank at the dam	\$ 250.00
Hawkins, Inc.	Pool Chemicals	\$ 5,003.94
JGE	Mower Repairs	\$ 688.37
Kipf, Calvin	2019 Walker Mower	\$ 10,000.00
Leola Athletic Association	Baseball Donation	\$ 1,500.00
McPherson County	Joint Law Q3 2022	\$ 11,250.00
McPherson Co. Herald	Minutes/Notices	\$ 140.01
Miller, Hanna	Lifeguard Certification Reimbursement	\$ 255.00
Montana Dakota Utilities	Utilities	\$ 2,578.26
Moser, Kent	Water Deposit Refund	\$ 19.75
Pam Walz	Mileage	\$ 33.60
Productivity Plus Account	Belt, Idle arm	\$ 121.90
Quill.com	Office supplies/Paper	\$ 200.81
Rural Development	123rd Payment for Sewer	\$ 4,021.00
Schaible, Brett	Mileage to pick up new mower	\$ 204.12

SD Public Health Lab	Water/Lagoon Testing	\$ 183.00
Telespire	Cell Phone	\$ 27.42
Valley	Telephone, Fax, Internet	\$ 391.39
Waltman, Sondra	Phone case/glass, LED light bar, Pool tests and clock	\$ 177.90
WEB Water	Water for June	\$ 7,131.52
Payroll	Finance Office	\$ 3,558.34
Payroll	Government Buildings	\$ 990.00
Payroll	Library	\$ 864.00
Payroll	Mayor/Council	\$ 6,809.70
Payroll	Park	\$ 6,112.50
Payroll	Pool	\$ 3,315.97
Payroll	Zoning	\$ 475.00
Payroll	SD Health Pool - July	\$ 1,549.64
Payroll	SS, Med, W/H, SDRS with Matches	\$ 3,387.59
	Total	\$ 84,554.57

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

Pool – Pool matters and concerns were discussed. Schaible moved with a second from Leibel to hire Peyton Gross, Austin Mantei and Darrel Yost (2021 pool employees) as fill in lifeguards, and to set wages at \$10/hour. Because the previous employees did not commit to returning full time for the 2022 pool season, half of their training expenses will need to be paid back. All in favor, motion carried.

Cahill Bauer & Associates – The annual audit was June 8-9. Discussion was held and a formal copy of the 2021 audit is available in the Finance Office.

NEW BUSINESS

Contracted Law Enforcement – Discussion was held on the 2023 contract with McPherson County's Sheriff's Department. The topic was tabled for August's meeting.

WEB Water – Due to WEB Water increasing the city's rate \$0.74/thousand gallons effective October 1, Rau moved with a second from Wimer to increase the city's base water rate \$0.75/thousand gallons effective October 1, 2022. All in favor, motion carried. The new minimum water fees will be \$35.

MAINTENANCE UPDATE: Discussion was held on potholes, mowers, the city pickup, and a leaking propane tank. Prices will be obtained for a replacement tank.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Street, Alley, and Restricted Use Site: Due to streets settling, Helms needs to come to Leola to assess all streets where work was done through the water project to determine any needed warranty work. Road repairs were discussed. The salvage metal pile at the restricted use site is being picked up by Meyers Salvage Yard. Discussion was held on building a fence and moving the bunkers. A rough estimate was \$1,300 for materials.

Water & Sewer: There were 33 late letters sent out, 3 red tags posted for disconnecting and 1 shut off for nonpayment. Inquires on the \$100 water deposit were received, and after discussion council ruled to not make any exceptions. Garbage options were discussed.

Park, Rec & Pool: The pool activity report was reviewed. Signs at the campground were discussed. Wimer moved with a second from Reis to order storm shelter signs to post at the Lundquist Dam and on the Citizen's Building so the emergency location is known. All in favor, motion carried. Emergency contact numbers and a map will also be made available for campers. Further discussion included a sprayer and spraying around the community. An applicator's license will need to be obtained.

Building & Equipment: Discussion was held on skid steer rims, the old well house and old concession stand building, along with checking generators. Mowing concerns, a running toilet and installing the storm shelter sign was also discussed.

Code Enforcement, Law Enforcement & Library Reports: The code enforcement report was reviewed. Discussion was held and Mike Olson, Code Enforcement Officer will be notified of the concerns. The library report and second quarter county law summary were reviewed.

Zoning: Pool fences were discussed. The next zoning meeting will be Thursday, August 4 at 6:30 pm.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: A reminder that formal complaint forms are available in the Finance Office and anonymous letters of concerns will not be shared. Mayor Erdmann received a call from a visitor coming to Leola, SD from France in August. Council suggested giving the McPherson County Herald a heads up for a potential story when they visit.

UPCOMING MEETINGS: The next council meeting will be a special budget meeting on Monday, July 18 at 7 pm. Wimer moved with a second from Leibel to move the August meeting to Thursday, August 4 at 7 pm due to 4-H Achievement Days. Rau abstained. All remaining council members voted in favor, motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: A compliance report on the lagoon from DANR was reviewed and discussed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None.

ADDITIONAL TOPICS: Dog concerns were discussed. The Leola Dakota Life Premiere was set for Tuesday, October 4 at 7 pm. Waltman will contact Ms. Myer to inquire about using the school for the premier location.

At 10:24 pm, Reis moved with a second from Wimer to adjourn. All in favor, motion carried.

Royce Erdmann

Sondra Waltman

Royce Erdmann, Mayor, City of Leola

ATTEST: Sondra Waltman, Finance Officer, City of Leola

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