City of Leola -- Council Meeting Proceedings
October 5, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Brett Schaible. City council members present: Michael Yost, Vivian Sain, McKlay Pettigrew, Brandon Lehmann, and Jackie Leibel. Jackie Rau was absent. City personnel present: Terry Lehmann and Sondra Waltman. Jeff Tschappat was absent. Community members Mike Lapka and Ronda Geffre were also in attendance.

Mayor Schaible led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Yost moved with a second from Sain to approve the previous meeting minutes. All in favor, motion carried.

Leibel moved with a second from Sain to approve the treasurer's report. All in favor, motion carried. The account balances are as follows: General Fund, $557,810.99; Revolving Loan Fund, $45,586.26; and Project Account $9,638.41.

Lehmann moved with a second from Pettigrew to approve the proposed bills. All in favor, motion carried. The bills are as follows:

Bills to be Considered for October 2026		
A-1 Sanitation	Roll-off Dumpster	$ 775.83
Agtegra	Gas/fuel, belts, filters, clamps, grease	$ 650.22
CHS	Shop propane	$ 491.41
CorTrust Visa*	Payroll fees, cell phone, funeral plants	$ 380.47
Dependable Sanitation	Garbage Collection	$ 97.00
EMC Insurance	Insurance	$ 20.00
Fink, Duane	Refund on Account	$ 287.72
Gene's Oil	Fuel/gas	$ 285.69
Jensen Rock & Sand	Hot mix (3.59 ton)	$ 323.10
Lehmann, Terry	Jacket, mileage	$ 90.53
McPherson Co. Herald	Minutes, notices	$ 296.44
Menards	Supplies	$ 16.80
Montana Dakota Utilities	Electricity	$ 2,603.51
Moser Excavating	Water leak, new service, abatement, insurance claim	$ 21,959.22
ReadiTech/DRN	Websecurity/backup	$ 75.55
Rural Development	204th Payment for Sewer	$ 4,021.00
SD Public Health Lab	Water Testing	$ 20.00
Share Corp	Algecide, garbage bags	$ 2,013.10
Thee Glass Doktor	Repair	$ 188.60
Valley	Telephone, Fax, Internet	$ 373.10
Vestis	Mops/rugs	$ 128.88
WEB Water	Water for September	$ 8,455.37
	September Payroll	

Payroll	Mayor/Council	$ 8,175.00
Payroll	Park Fund	$ 7,291.66
Payroll	Finance Office	$ 3,666.66
Payroll	Government Buildings	$ 360.00
Payroll	Library	$ 1,184.85
Payroll	Zoning	$ 150.00
Payroll	Credit Board	$ 150.00
Payroll	SD Health Pool - Oct	$ 2,069.56
Payroll	SS, Med, W/H, SDRS with Matches	$ 3,445.49
	Total	$ 70,046.76

OLD BUSINESS

Security Cameras – Quotes were reviewed from Gappa Electric and Sight & Sound. Discussion was held; Lehmann moved with a second from Leibel to approve the quotes from Sight & Sound for updating the Municipal Building for roughly $3,600.02 and to install exterior cameras at the library for roughly $1,635.91. All in favor, motion carried.

Campground Updates (Pudwill Pond) – Update were shared including the potentially stocking of the pond and dock status.

SDML Annual Conference – The annual South Dakota Municipal League Conference is held in Aberdeen October 6-9. Yost, Pettigrew and Waltman will attend.

NEW BUSINESS

Special Tax Assessments – Pettigrew moved with a second from Yost to approve Resolution 2026-03. All in favor, motion carried. The resolution and values will be submitted to the McPherson County Auditor. The resolution is as follows:

Resolution 2026-03

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR NUISANCE ABATEMENTS IN VARIOUS AREAS WITHIN THE CITY OF LEOLA, SD.

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Leola, South Dakota:

SECTION 1: That the special assessment roll for nuisance abatements in various areas within Leola, SD, is hereby approved an assessments in the assessment roll are levied against the property described in it. The assessments become a lien against the property when the assessment roll is filed in the office of the Finance Officer.

SECTION 2: The assessment may be paid in one annual installment and shall be collected under Plan One – Collection by County Treasurer as provided in SDCL 9-43.

Dated this 5th day of October, 2026.

_Brett Schaible_____

ATTEST: Brett Schaible, Mayor

__Sondra Waltman_____

Sondra Waltman, Finance Officer

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Donations – LDC and the Rhubarb Committee requested a $500 donation each. This will be further discussed in November after their financials are presented to the council.

Turkey Shoot – Yost moved with a second from Pettigrew to set the public hearing for November 2 at 7:30 pm for the temporary liquor license for the Turkey Shoot to be held on November 21. All in favor, motion carried.

Vestis Contract – A 36-month contract was reviewed; further information will be obtained for different contract lengths and potential price breaks.

Health Insurance Renewal – The 2027 health insurance renewal was reviewed and discussed. Yost moved with a second from Sain to approve the current plan renewal for 2027 at monthly rate of $1,150 per employee. All in favor, motion carried.

MAINTENANCE UPDATE

Terry Lehmann shared updates around the community including repairing a water leak, installing a new service, maintenance on equipment, hot mix, shutting off services and winterizing the pool, as well as other community improvements.

At 8:00 pm, a public hearing was held regarding nuisance properties.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Street, Alley & Restricted Use Site – The final oversized dumpster is at the RUS.

Water & Sewer – Additional information will be obtained from the SDML conference regarding SDAWRS mapping. Discussion was held regarding a sewer concern on Herried Street. Ronda Geffre enlightened the council on addition details, concerns, and intentions of the property owner. Discussion was held while reviewing a contract from Maguire regarding water tower repairs.

Park, Rec & Pool – The pool (and bathroom) has been shut down and winterized. The campground is still open; the water will remain on as weather as allows. The SDDANR Community Forestry Grant was submitted.

Building & Equipment – An estimate was reviewed for carpet replacement in the Municipal Building from Holm Flooring. Pettigrew moved with a second from Yost to approve the quote for upgrading the carpet in the Municipal Building (Finance Office and Council Room) for $2,911.20. The quote includes the removal of existing carpet and installation of the new carpet. All in favor, motion carried. Discussion was held regarding the copy machine status.

Code Enforcement, Law, Enforcement & Library Reports – The September library report was reviewed.

Zoning – There will be a Zoning meeting on November 2 at 6:30.

Complaint Forms – None.

Public Comments – Mike Lapka inquired about the deed holder of the shoreline by Doc's Pond/Pudwill Pond/Lundquist Dam.

Upcoming Events – The SDML Conference is October 6-9; the Finance Office will be closed to attend. October 12 is an observed holiday, and city offices will be closed. The next Zoning meeting is Monday, November 2 at 6:30 and regular council meeting at 7 pm.

Correspondence – None.

Executive Session – None.

Additional Comments – None.

Adjourn – Sain moved with a second from Leibel to adjourn the meeting at 9:11 pm. All in favor, motion carried.

__Brett Schaible_____ _Sondra Waltman_____

Brett Schaible, Mayor, City of Leola ATTEST: Sondra Waltman, Finance Officer, City of Leola

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