City of Leola -- Council Meeting Proceedings
October 6, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Brett Schaible. City council members present: Michael Yost, Jackie Leibel, Brandon Lehmann, and McKlay Pettigrew. Richard Reis and Jackie Rau called into the meeting. City personnel present: Terry Lehmann, Jeff Tschappat, and Sondra Waltman. Community members Mike Lapka, Terry Hoffman, Mike Klipfel and Mike Mardian were also present.

Mayor Schaible led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Rau moved with a second from Leibel to approve the treasurer's report. All in favor, motion carried. The account balances are as follows: General Fund, $562,584.02; Revolving Loan Fund, $45,472.42; and Project Account $9,638.41.

After discussion, Yost 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 2025** | | |
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| A-1 Sanitation | Oversized Dumpster (x2) | $ 771.16 |
| Agtegra | Filters, nuts/bolts, lawn seed | $ 420.93 |
| CHS | Propane | $ 387.88 |
| CorTrust Visa | Payroll fees, Postage | $ 159.18 |
| Dependable Sanitation | Garbage Collection | $ 118.00 |
| DRN | Web security | $ 15.80 |
| EMC Insurance | Added mower | $ 41.00 |
| Gene's Oil | Gas/Fuel | $ 571.13 |
| Leola Golf Assoc | Donation | $ 6,000.00 |
| Lien Transportation | Sand for playground | $ 286.64 |
| McPherson Co. Herald | Minutes, notices | $ 367.70 |
| McPherson Co. Joint Law | Q3 and Q4 Joint Law | $ 25,200.00 |
| Menards | Playground, street patch | $ 278.45 |
| Montana Dakota Utilities | Electricity | $ 2,569.75 |
| Moser Excavating & Trucking | Drainage on 3rd, curb stop, sewer line | $ 3,066.33 |
| Runnings | Keys | $ 23.92 |
| Rural Development | 192nd Payment for Sewer | $ 4,021.00 |
| SD DOR | Sales Tax (pool) | $ 109.57 |
| SD Public Health Lab | Water testing | $ 20.00 |
| Telespire | Cell Phone | $ 65.00 |
| Ten-45 | Cat food, cleaning supplies | $ 91.96 |
| Valley | Telephone, Fax, Internet | $ 365.78 |
| Vestis | Mops, rugs | $ 123.53 |

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| WEB Water | Water for Sept | $ 7,798.25 |
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| | **September Payroll** | |
| Payroll | Mayor/Council | $ 15,900.00 |
| Payroll | Park Fund | $ 6,901.36 |
| Payroll | Finance Office | $ 3,870.66 |
| Payroll | Government Buildings | $ 350.45 |
| Payroll | Library | $ 1,452.06 |
| Payroll | West Nile Spraying | $ 684.50 |
| Payroll | Zoning | $ 100.00 |
| Payroll | SD Health Pool - October | $ 2,817.00 |
| Payroll | SS, Med, W/H, SDRS with Matches | $ 3,488.43 |
| | Total | $ 88,437.42 |

OLD BUSINESS

Campground Improvements – The playground is installed at the campgrounds and has received good feedback from the community.

Maguire Tank Cleaning – The Leola water tower is on the schedule for this year for repair.

Stateline Concrete – The curb was replaced at 1108 Main Street after repairing a previous water leak. Dirt and grass seed will be added to the area after the forms are removed.

Pudwill Pond – The deed has been recorded transferring ownership from TJ Pudwill to the City of Leola for the smaller body of water south of Lundquist Dam, also known as "Pudwill Pond."

Joint Law – Discussion was held regarding the contract with McPherson County Law Enforcement and renewal options for 2026. After including the public in attendance in the discussion, including County Commissioner Mike Mardian, Pettigrew moved with a second from Lehmann to not renew the contract for 2026 and submit in writing that we'll continue the current contract through December 31, 2025. All in favor, motion carried. Commissioner Mardian will inform the other county commissioners at their meeting. Leola resides within the county of McPherson and the Sheriff's services are county wide.

Resolution to Vacate Roads/Alleys – Rau moved with a second from Leibel to approve Resolution 25-06 to vacate the roads/alleys as presented in the map in conjunction with the petitions filed with the city. All in favor, motion carried. The resolution is as follows:

Resolution 25-06

BE IT RESOLVED that on October 6, 2025, at the Leola City Office, Leola, South Dakota, the City Council of the City of Leola approved the Petition to Vacate Streets and alleys which was filed on August 6, 2025, by Chris and ReEtta Sieh, and Curt Walz, and which said resolution herein vacates:

1. A portion of Elm Street between Lot 3, Block 7, and Lot 1, Block 10, Highland Park Addition and 7th Avenue between Blocks 10 and 11, Highland Park Addition and its intersecting area. The alley between Lot 3, Block 10, Highland Park Addition and

Lots 4, 5, and 6, Block 10, Highland Park Addition, subject to the City maintaining a utility easement along with the right in ingress and egress for purposes of maintaining or installing any service on any portion of the vacated street or alley.

Leola City Council

ATTEST: By: Brett Schaible, Mayor

Sondra Waltman, Finance Officer

At 7:30 pm, a public hearing was held for the first reading of the revised ordinances. Leibel moved with a second from Rau to table the first reading to November 3 at 7:30 pm so everyone can review the updated formats. All in favor, motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Camper Sanitation Station – Discussion was held on the Camper Sanitation Station (public septic drainage for camper use). There are panels around the area and hydrant is locked. Pettigrew moved with a second from Yost to meter the water used. Pettigrew, Yost, Reis, Leibel, and Lehmann voted in favor; Rau opposed. Motion carried. The meter will be installed next year to prevent damage from freezing. Further discussion included an additional location for the sanitation station that was not on the 4-H Grounds. Further research will be done for the November meeting.

Daycare – Yost moved with a second from Reis to approve the occupancy for Leola Community Childcare. All in favor, motion carried. A formal letter will be sent to the school/daycare for their records.

MAINTENANCE UPDATE

Updates were shared regarding the playset at the dam, general maintenance, and improvements around the community.

At 8:00 pm, a public hearing was held for nuisance properties. There were no nuisances to discuss.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Streets, Alleys & Restricted Use Site – Discussion was held on adding U-Turn signs at permitted intersections to alleviate illegal parking on Sherman Street. Prices/options will be checked. The last dumpster is at the Restricted Use Site.

Water & Sewer – A citizen had Sewer Duck do some general maintenance on their private line and reported a dip in the line. Sewer Duck will be contacted to get some additional information.

Park, Recreation & Pool – Mayor Schaible updated the council on Pudwill Pond, fish stocking suggestions and preliminary plans from SD GFP regarding a potential dock.

Building & Equipment – None.

Code Enforcement, Law Enforcement & Library Reports – The monthly library report was reviewed, along with the Joint Law Summary for Q3. There was no summary of September's activity for law enforcement.

Zoning –The next meeting will be November 3rd at 6:30 pm.

COMPLAINT FORMS: None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: County Commissioner Mardian verified what the council wanted to share with the county commissioners at their meeting on October 7. Mike Klipfel stated that the McPherson County Sheriff has obligations to report to the entire county, not just cities.

UPCOMING EVENTS: City offices will be closed on October 13 in observance of Columbus Day/Native American Day Holiday. There is an Emergency Response & Planning meeting in Aberdeen on October 30. Waltman plans to attend along with any other city officials/employees who are interested. The next city council meeting is Monday, November 3rd at 7 pm.

CORRESPONDENCE: The comprehensive FEMA Mitigation Planning book is available in the finance office.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None.

ADDITIONAL TOPICS: Leibel requested the meeting packets be distributed prior to the meeting.

At 8:37 pm, Leibel moved with a second from Lehmann to adjourn the meeting. 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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