

City of Leoti Governing Body met in regular session Monday, March 16, 2015, 7:00 p.m., at the City Hall Meeting Room.

Mayor Cheryl Green and Councilors Amanda Baker, Tony Hernandez, Kelma Burch, Roger Porter, and Matt Price were present. Also in attendance were Mike Younger-EBH Engineering, Brad Schields, Leif Christensen, Barry Hartz, Lisa Urtz, Ken Farr, Nikki Meyer, Paige Weaver, Derek Meyer, Tyrrell Tankersley, City Administrator Ted Cherry, City Superintendent Joel Landis, and Interim City Clerk Cendy Morcillo, City Attorney Doug Crotty and Code Enforcement Officer Nick Salinas were absent.

Mayor Green called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Baker moved, Porter seconded, to approve the agenda with addition to Item VIII under Other Business, move item E to F and add EBH Change Order No.1 to item E. Motion carried unanimously.

Baker moved, Price seconded, to approve the consent agenda: a) approval of the March 2, 2015 Meeting minutes; b) accounts payable Warrants 38883-38914 & 1212835 in the amount of twenty-nine thousand, two hundred eighty-four dollars and fifty-one cents. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Green opened the floor for public comments.

Brad Schields and Leif Christensen were present to discuss and describe the nature of the building permit at John Deere. Discussion ensued concerning new 90X162 building, meter replacement, and 4" water main relocation. Schields requested a 2" to 3" meter be installed in order to meet volume demand. He also expressed some concern with the cost of the meter installation and water main relocation. Christensen was readily available to answer questions for council. It was the consensus of the council that a building permit be submitted for review and possible approval at the next council meeting.

Mike Younger with EBH Engineering presented and update on Water Treatment Plant project. March 30th, 2015 is scheduled for Water Treatment Plant startup. A simplified system is put in place to control wells, and pumps come on to take control over towers. Hardware is currently being installed. The week of March 30th will be an educational week for City staff. The intention is to get equipment operating correctly, and provide low nitrate water. Additional work is needed at the wells including tearing down building at the old pump house. Equipment is being installed by Hawk Manufacturer. Younger highly recommends for approval of City Council to allow City Superintendent to enter into an agreement with Hawk for extended warranty on equipment.

City Superintendent Joel Landis presented council with a program for the street sweeper to include a weekly schedule. Landis also gave a brief update on KRWA Conference in Wichita and additional training available in Dodge City leading towards operator credit hours for certification. Cold patch material has been ordered for Chip sealing preparation.

Ted Cherry, City Administrator gave the Governing Body an update and overview of his trip to the City Clerks and Municipal Finance Officers Annual Conference in Wichita. Cherry also updated council on Planning Commission as well as new server installation at City Hall.

Baker moved, Burch seconded, to pass and adopt Ordinance 2015-03, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2014-10 ' PROVIDING FOR THE REGULATION AND REMOVAL OF SNOW AND ICE FROM SIDEWALKS WITHING THE CITY; PROVIDING PENALTIES; AND PROVIDING FOR CIT Y REMOVAL AND ASSOCIATED COSTS. Mayor Green called the roll: Baker – Yea, Hernandez – Yea, Burch – Yea, Porter – Yea, Price – Yea. Motion carried unanimously.

Ted Cherry, City Administrator proposed City of Leoti Employee Handbook changes following employee committee meetings to revisit the handbook. Changes include but are limited to hiring of the City Administrator, changes to the travel policy, cell phone usage, adding a maternity/paternity leave policy, requirements for an absence request form, and other changes throughout the handbook. The drug/alcohol and the organizational chart have also been added to the handbook for information purposes. Porter moved, Burch seconded, to table the City of Leoti Employee Handbook changes until further review has been completed. Motion carried unanimously.

Guest Karen Walk with WC Historical Society was present to discuss and answer questions in regards to the Western Kansas Community Foundation Grant Proposal for barn quilt signage at each of the four highway intersections in Leoti. The Western Kansas community Foundation is willing to fund a portion of the project if the Historical Society would find matching funds. Baker moved, Burch seconded, to approve funds in the amount of one thousand two-hundred fifty dollars to the Wichita County Historical Foundation for signs acknowledging the Barn Quilt Capital of Kansas. Motion carried unanimously.

Guest Barry Hartz representing the Christ Covenant Church was in attendance to review the building permit to put up a fence of composite material at the playground area east of the facility. Hartz indicated that set back requirements will be met and dig safe has been contacted. Porter moved, Baker seconded, to approve the building permit for Christ Covenant Church. Motion carried unanimously.

Baker moved, Porter seconded, to table the building permit for the Wichita County Park and Rec pending more information be provided. Motion carried.

Mike Younger with EBH Engineering presented an end of project update including Change Order No.1, Part 3 - Water Treatment Plant. Younger addressed areas needing improvements within the water system to include north tank beam and check valve repair at well 16 with a Change Order total of thirty thousand five hundred eleven dollars and sixty cents. Baker moved, Price seconded, to approve Change Order No.1 with approval of City Attorney. Mayor Green called the roll: Baker – Yea, Hernandez – Yea, Burch – Yea, Porter – Yea, Price – Yea. Motion carried unanimously.

Baker moved, Roger seconded, to enter in executive session at 7:50 p.m., with Governing Body and City Administrator for a period of ten minutes in order to discuss nonelected personnel matters. Motion carried unanimously. Regular meeting resumed at 8:00 p.m. Mayor declared that no action had been taken.

Baker moved, Price seconded, to appoint Cendy Morcillo as Interim City Clerk. Motion carried unanimously.

Price moved, Baker seconded, to adjourn at 8:05 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Cheryl Green, Mayor

Cendy Morcillo, Interim City Clerk