City of Leoti Governing Body met in regular session Monday, October 19, 2026 at 6:30 p.m., at the City Hall Meeting Room.

Mayor Chris Kreutzer called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

Mayor Kreutzer asked City Clerk Jeannine Hassell for Roll Call; Council President Derek Meyer Councilors Kelma Burch, Aron White, Rick Griem and Jim Kreutzer. Those in attendance were City Superintendent Blaine Medina, City Attorney Charles Moser, Mike Nickelson, Steve Baum and Terry Bloedorn.

Mayor Kreutzer opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

White moved Burch seconded to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

The Consent Agenda items included: a. October 5, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes, b. Payroll warrants $19,739.61, c. Accounts Payable warrants $38,096.84. (The warrants were available for review).

Meyer moved J. Kreutzer seconded to approve the consent agenda items A-C. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Kreutzer opened the floor to public comments. There were no comments.

Mayor Kreutzer welcomed Fire Chief Mike Nickelson, Assistant Fire Chief Steve Baum and EMS Director Terry Bloedorn. Bloedorn shared at the beginning of the year a committee was formed to research information on purchasing a new ambulance. LVFD looks into trading in every six to seven years. The second unit (2012 Wheeled Coach) has approximately 80,700 miles on it. The first unit (2019 Osage) has 24,000 miles on it. It is used for transfers due to its softer ride. It has been difficult to get manufacturers out here. Bloedorn shared you need a lead time of two to three years when ordering an ambulance. At the end of September Baum received a call from Osage (Missouri) saying they had a few spots open in April 2027 for a 2026 chassis and box and they guarantee delivery. The committee compared pricing with Wheeled Coach Ambulances (Florida) and they were within $135. 00. Wheeled Coach is 14 months out of having one available. The EMS committee voted to go with the Osage ambulance and the fire department also agreed with the purchase. Bloedorn asked for council's approval of moving forward with the Osage. Discussions were held on leasing it or paying it outright. Warranties were also discussed. It was agreed to get quotes from the local banks on leasing. Bloedorn shared they still needed to meet with Osage and go through the line items so the total amount will possibly go down with somethings that are not needed.

White moved Burch seconded for EMS Director Bloedorn to sign the quote from Emergency Services Supply/Osage Ambulances for $295,299.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Nickelson, Baum and Bloedorn left the meeting at 6:48 pm.

City Attorney Moser shared

City Superintendent Medina reported is waiting on the results of what is wrong with the high service pump at the treatment plant. All the chip seal has been pick up so the city crew will finish flushing fire hydrants. The Veterans banners will be put up a week ahead of Veteran's Day. Medina shared the downtown planters have been examined and know which ones can be repaired and which ones shall be removed. The city crew will be checking the Christmas snowflakes as they will be put up soon.

City Clerk Hassell shared Lewis, Hopper & Dick will be here next Monday to start audit field work.

City Attorney Moser left the meeting at 7:00 pm.

White moved Griem seconded to recess into executive session pursuant to the nonelected personnel matters exception, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1), to discuss an employee evaluation for 5 minutes with Council, Mayor, City Superintendent and City Clerk. Meeting resumed at 7:06 p.m. White moved Burch seconded to give said employee discussed in executive session, said increase to wages. Motion carried unanimously.

City Superintendent Medina left the meeting at 7:06 pm.

White moved Burch seconded to recess into executive session pursuant to the nonelected personnel matters exception, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1), to discuss an employee evaluation for 2 minutes with Council, Mayor and City Clerk. Meeting resumed at 7:09 p.m. Meyer moved White seconded to give said employee discussed in executive session, said increase to wages. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business White made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:17 p.m. Burch seconded. Motion carried.

Chris Kreutzer, Mayor

Jeannine Hassell, City Clerk

