CITY OF LEONIDAS CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

March 11, 2025 6:30 p.m.

1. Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor JoAnne Milton called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. The City Council recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Attendance

Present: Mayor JoAnne Milton, Councilor Jay DeRoos, Councilor Casandra Cave, Councilor Nathanial Rock, Councilor Brian Otto, Maintenance Lenny Kuizenga, Clerk McKenzie Clinton.

3. Adopt Agenda

Motion by Rock, second by Cave to adopt the agenda. Ayes – All. Motion carried.

4. Consent Agenda

- A. Minutes of January 14th, 2025 City Council Meeting
- B. Approval of Payroll ending 01/31/2025
- C. Approval of Claims ending 01/31/2025
- D. Approval of Payroll ending 02/28/2025
- E. Approval of Claims ending 02/28/2025

Motion by Cave, second by DeRoos to approve the Consent Agenda. Ayes – All. Motion carried.

5. Reports

A. Clerk's Report

Clerk Clinton reported that the city has been awarded \$125,000.00 for the streets and alley project from St. Louis County as part of the Community Development Block Grant. She spoke about other funding that Bollig engineering is actively applying for including congressional direct spending. She also reported that the yearly budget and financial statements have been submitted to the Minnesota Office of the State Auditor.

B. Maintenance

Maintenance Nathan Rock reported that new faucets and toilet paper holders had been installed in the bathrooms. Lenny Kuizenga reported that he had purchased and replaced batteries in the loader. Plowing is expected to be done for the season unless more snow occurs. The furnace and air conditioning units will be serviced. The fence around the city hall parking lot also will need repairs after a portion was damaged due to snow piles.

A discussion took place about selling the current plow truck and purchasing a pick-up truck. Clerk Clinton stated that she had concerns about making any big purchases right now because the final cost of the road and alley project is still unknown. The city has already invested a large sum of money into engineering fees and there is not a lot of extra room in the budget for large purchases. She suggested waiting until the more information is known in regards to grants and the final project cost. A brief discussion about this occurred. It was suggested to look into selling the current plow truck to finance the purchase of a new truck. This will be discussed further when more information is gathered.

C. Hall Manager

Hall Manager Jessica Johnson will be working on painting the interior of the hall.

6. Old Business

Nothing New to report,

7. New Business

1. 4-H Donation

The city received a letter from the St. Louis County 4-H asking for a donation. The city previously donated \$500.00 in 2024. A brief discussion about this occurred. The council passed a motion to donate \$500.00

Motion by Rock, second by Otto to donate \$500.00 to the St. Louis County 4-H program. Ayes – All. Motion carried.

1. Adjourn

Motion by Rock, second by Otto to adjourn the meeting. Ayes – All. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

