

City Council Meeting Minutes

March 3, 2025

713 Main Street

LeRoy, Kansas

Mayor Steve Cox called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. Followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council members present: Terry Tyler, Ricky Yeager, Lyle Sherwood, Georgia Eggleston, and Bryson Meats.

Mayor Cox recommended approving the proposed agenda for the March 3 meeting, highlighting a few modifications concerning the scheduled visitors. He suggested that Tony Grant be added to item number B on the agenda, while Ernst Martin be added to item A, with the Coffey County Emergency Management. Following this proposal, Meats motioned to accept the March 3rd agenda with these adjustments recommended by the mayor. Tyler supported this motion by seconding it. The motion was put to a vote and passed unanimously, with all five members in favor, resulting in a 5-0 approval.

Mayor Cox requested approval of the proposed City Council meeting minutes from February 3. Yeager moved to approve the minutes, adding Georgia Eggleston to the list of council members who were present. Tyler seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

Mayor Cox recommended accepting the approval of the warrants and bills presented in the agenda. Tyler moved to accept the warrants/bills. Sherwood second. Motion passed 5/0

Public Speakers:

Donna Nickle represented the cemetery board.

Bill Otto:

Amy Gouracke representing Titan Recreation.

Scheduled Visitors:

Ernst Martin, representing Coffey County Emergency Management, has formally requested that the cell tower contract be signed during tonight's meeting. This approval is crucial for the county to move forward with the essential project, which aims to enhance communication capabilities and ensure reliable connectivity for emergency services across the region. Signing the contract will enable the county to initiate the next steps in the development process, ultimately benefiting the safety and efficiency of public services in Coffey County.

Tony Grant, who represents McGuire, discusses essential repairs required for the aging water tower. During the discussion, he highlighted various updates that need to be addressed to ensure the tower remains operational and safe. The council expressed a strong interest in receiving detailed information about the current condition of the water tower, as well as any findings from recent inspections. The council requested this information before the meeting, enabling them to make informed decisions

regarding the contract for the necessary improvements to the tower. This information allows the council to evaluate the proposed changes and allocate the required resources for the renovation project.

Mayors Report:

Mayor Steve Cox read Resolution 2025-1 by Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) standards. Yeager moved to accept Resolution 2025-1 as presented by the mayor. Tyler seconded the motion. It passed unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

The City of Gridley requests that the City of LeRoy pay \$750.00, representing the city's portion of the wages for Recreation Director Lori Goracke. Meats moved to approve the payment of \$750.00, and Sherwood seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

Mayor Cox called for a vote on the land lease agreement for the cell tower. The proposed lease would last for forty years at \$100.00 per year. Eggleston accepted the deal with Coffey County Emergency Management for this 40-year lease. Yeager seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously with a vote of 5-0.

Mayor Cox requested a motion to adopt Ordinance #450, which revises the dog ordinance to promote community safety and responsible pet ownership. City Attorney Daniel Smith made essential updates, including a section detailing penalties for violations. Meats moved to accept the revised ordinance, and Yeager seconded the motion. The council members voted unanimously in favor, resulting in a 5-0 approval.

City Attorney Report:

Daniel Smith had seven cases regarding the city's nuances. One case was dismissed after payment of court costs. The rest of the cases remain unresolved. They will be heard on April 11.

Mayor Cox recommended approval of Resolution 2025-2, the GAAP Resolution for the year 2025. Yeager moved to approve the 2025-2 GAAP Resolution. Tyler second. Motion passed 5/0

Aaron Copeland gave his report for Water/Sewer/Parks and Recreation

Kim Alexander gave her City Clerk report.

Old, new business:

Eggleston moved to accept Anita Kneece's bid for mowing the cemetery for a two-year contract at \$655.00 per mowing. Meats seconded the motion, which passed 4 to 1, with Tyler voting against it.

New business.

The work session will be held on Monday, March 24, at 4:00 PM. The council will begin by reviewing building permits, examining the codes, and updating those that require updates. and also discussing the sidewalk project.

Eggleston moved to adjourn Yeager's second motion, which passed 5/0.

