

## **Leonard City Council**

The Leonard City Council met on Monday August 4, 2025. Council members present: Mayor Sheila Brown, Gilbert Schumacher, Ben Shepherd, Arlin Vanderwerff, Caroline Kraning and City Auditor Trina Nudell. A few community members were also present.

The meeting was called to order at 7 pm. July meeting minutes read and approved. (Arlin, Caroline)

The Cass County Sheriff's Report was given by Deputy Emma Saewert. Noise ordinances were discussed and questions asked of Deputy Saewert.

Old business consisted of updates regarding the shop project. The insulation phase of the project is complete. There was more discussion regarding pros and cons of the propane versus electric heat, but a final decision was not made since quotes have not been completely finalized. No decision was made regarding the possible purchase of a Generac Generator for the lift station, which could kick on automatically during power outages. There was also more discussion regarding timing of paving project quote requests and the unknown timing of the 2025 Operation Prairie Dog disbursement. We do know that another large disbursement will be coming, but the dollar amount and the month that we'll receive the funds remain unknown.

Council member Ben Shepherd has sold his house and is moving out of Leonard later in August, so this meeting is Ben's final council meeting. Caroline made a motion to place a notice regarding the vacant council position on the city website, Facebook and posters hung around town and the city council will appoint a new council member at one of the next city council meetings. Seconded by Ben. Anyone interested in the vacant council position should contact Mayor Sheila.

The following bills were approved to be paid: Fat Man Trash \$1,908.76, Leonard Convenience \$701.85, Michelle Overbo \$82.50, Scotty's Tires \$230.73, Alan Cassezza \$600, One Concepts \$1.70, Bill Magstadt \$1,856.96.

Next regular meeting will be Tuesday September 2, 2025, at 7 pm.

Trina Nudell, City Auditor