

Lockwood Board of Aldermen Regular Session Agenda
Thursday, November 20th, 2025, at 5:00 p.m.
Lockwood City Hall, 400 Main St., Lockwood, MO

I. Call to Order

- A. Mayor Schilling called meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Roll Call

- A. Linda Schilling, Mayor-Present
B. Perry Ellis, Alderman-Present
C. Steve Fyfe, Alderman-Present
D. Neal Sands, Alderman-Present
E. Justin Weimer, Alderman-Absent

IV. Approval of Agenda

- A. Steve Fyfe made a motion to approve the agenda for November 20th, 2025, regular session meeting. Perry Ellis seconded motion. Motion carried by roll call vote 3-0.

V. Approval of Minutes

- A. Neal Sands made a motion to approve the regular session minutes for October 16th, 2025. Steve Fyfe seconded the motion. Motion carried by roll call vote. 3-0.

VI. Public Comments

- A. None

VII. Business

- A. Blake Pace with DeGood and Pace CPA present the annual audit for the city. Mr. Pace said the formal opinion was clean, which is the highest opinion possible. He informed the council that the government funds were up \$276536.00 from last year. He stated that all funds should have a balance of 3-6 month that could cover cost in an emergency. The water fund has been covered by the sewer portion of that fund for the last several years and the city needs to seriously consider raising rates in the water fund. The only thing that was of any consequence was the general fund was \$14889.00 over budget, and this could have easily been fixed with an amended budget at the end of the year because the general fund had an ending balance of \$174543.02. All in all, he felt the city was in good financial shape.
- B. Isabella Tibbets and Nathan Adams with Trekk Design Group were present to explain to the council the TAP grant that the city was awarded. This grant is to help put sidewalks on the north side of 160 highway from the Pump and Pantry to Muncy's Supermarket. This grant would not help with the stormwater issue so the council asked Isabella to investigate, adding what that cost would be before they decided on accepting the grant. She also informed the council that they were ready to go to bid on finishing the water loop fire suppression project by the park loop. Ms. Tibbets informed the council that they could apply for a DNR grant to do a water upgrade but, Joy Finley City Clerk informed the council that the city would not qualify for any DNR grant without raising the water rates first.

- C. Neon Lockwood Sign was tabled until Mayor Schilling could get in touch with the class that was wanting to move the sign.
- D. The council asked Joy Finley to call Prairie Station to reserve the back room for the city employees and council annual holiday dinner.
- E. Steve Fyfe made a motion to pay city bills. Neal Sands seconded the motion. Motion carried by roll call vote 3-0.

VIII. Departmental Reports

- A. Mayor Schilling opened the only bid that was submitted for completing the sidewalk from 2nd street to 4th street that MODOT did not complete. The bid was for \$18700.00 from Mikey Davidson. The board suggested tabling the project until spring with cold weather upon us that could prevent pouring the concrete. Mayor Schilling asked Phil Greathouse city attorney to send a letter to Sconce's on 6th street for not completing the clean up at their properties they had agreed to do this summer. Linda asked Isaac where he was with fixing the water leak on Spruce Street and he said they would be working on it next week.
- B. City Superintendent Isaac Dodd present several bids for tractors to replace the one wrecked and totaled. The insurance company issued a check for \$12000.00. He presented a bid for \$38000.00 for a Kubota tractor, \$57000.00 for a Case Tractor and \$40000.00 for a John Deer. Mr. Dodd recommended buying the Kubota.
 - i. Steve Fyfe made a motion to purchase the Kubota for \$38000.00 Neal Sands seconded the motion. Motion carried by roll call vote 3-0.
- C. City Clerk Joy Finley said she has had several complaints about barking dogs and wondered if the council was interested in adopting an ordinance. Mr. Greathouse said those ordinances are difficult to enforce. Ms. Finley also brought up amending the junk yard ordinance because of properties inside the city limits who are presenting like a "junk yard". Mayor Schilling asked Phil Greathouse to review the ordinance.
- D. City Attorney Phil Greathouse had nothing to inform the council.
- E. Alderman nothing.
- F. Golf Course Superintendent Perry Finley informed the council that the courses John Deer mower needs repairs, and the cost will be \$5636.10.
 - i. Neal Sands made a motion to approve amending the budget to repair the mower. Steve Fyfe seconded motion. Motion carried by roll call vote 3-0.

IX. Closed Session

- A. A closed session was not needed.

X. Adjournment

- A. Steve Fyfe made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:48 p.m. Neal Sands seconded the motion. Motion carried by roll call vote 3-0.

Attest: _____
Joy Finley, City Clerk