

Lockwood Board of Aldermen Regular Session Minutes
Thursday, August 21st, 2025, at 5:00 p.m.
Lockwood City Hall, 400 Main St., Lockwood, MO

I. Call to Order

- A. Mayor 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-Present

IV. Approval of Agenda

- A. Steve Fyfe made a motion to approve the agenda for August 21st, 2025, regular session meeting. Justin Weimer seconded the motion. Motion carried by roll call vote 4-0.

V. Approval of Minutes

- A. Neal Sands made a motion to approve the regular session minutes for July 17th, 2025. Steve Fyfe seconded the motion. Motion carried by roll call vote 4-0.

VI. Public Comments

- A. Judy Busby addressed the council and asked if she could put a privacy fence on the property line instead of 5 feet from it for her property on 505 Spruce.
i. Neal Sands made a motion to allow the request for the privacy fence being placed on the property line at 505 Spruce. Steve Fyfe seconded the motion. Motion carried by roll call vote 4-0.
- B. Robert Sparks addressed the council about allowing him to set off fireworks when the KC Chiefs win games. The mayor said that we need to speak with his neighbors before signing off on his request. He also wanted the council to reevaluate the times that fireworks are allowed to be shot off during the 4th of July. Last he said that all of the ash trees in town are dying, and he wondered if the city was going to help with the removal. The city superintendent informed him that the expense would be on the homeowner to have them removed unless they were going to fall on our electric lines.
- C. Cheryl Harrison was present and told the council she was trying to get her sewer line fixed because she has raw sewage just running out on her property and this is in violation of city ordinances. Mrs. Harrison does not believe she should have to pay to fix this issue. After much discussion the city attorney informed her it was her responsibility and that it needed to be completed in a timely manner.

VII. Business

- A. Perry Finley, golf course superintendent, presented the council with the cost of purchasing a new Exmark mower for the golf course.
i. Steve Fyfe made a motion to purchase the Exmark mower for \$68873.00. Perry Ellis seconded the motion. Motion carried by roll call vote 4-0.
- B. Neal Sands made a motion to approve the first reading of council bill 25-10, ordinance A-696. An ordinance of the City of Lockwood authorizing the issuance of a combined waterworks and sewerage system revenue bond (State of Missouri-Direct

Loan Program-Design Phase) series 2025 in the maximum principal amount of \$390,000; prescribing the form and details of the bond; and authorizing certain other actions and documents in connection therewith. Steve Fyfe seconded the motion. Motion carried by roll call vote 4-0.

Steve Fyfe made a motion to approve the second reading by title only of council bill 25-10, ordinance A-696. An ordinance of the City of Lockwood authorizing the issuance of a combined waterworks and sewerage system revenue bond (State of Missouri-Direct Loan Program-Design Phase) series 2025 in the maximum principal amount of \$390,000; prescribing the form and details of the bond; and authorizing certain other actions and documents in connection therewith. Justin Weimer seconded the motion. Motion carried by roll call vote 4-0.

- C. Steve Fyfe made a motion to close 7th Street between Prairie Station and Arvest Bank for Harvest Homecoming beginning noon Friday, September 19th until 11:00 pm, Saturday, September 20th, 2025. To use this area for the temporary sale of liquor. Neal Sands seconded motion. Motion carried by roll call vote 4-0.
- D. Justin Weimer made a motion to pay Toth to do a water rate study for the city's water rates. Perry Ellis seconded the motion. Motion carried by roll call vote 4-0.
- E. Neal Sands made a motion to approve the Tax Levy for 2025. Steve Fyfe seconded the motion. Motion carried by roll call vote 4-0.
- F. Justin Weimer made a motion to pay city bills. Perry Ellis seconded the motion. Motion carried by roll call vote 4-0.

VIII. Departmental Reports

- A. Mayor Schilling said she was impressed with the bench donated in memory of Tucker Berry at South Park and the streets look very nice. She asked Isaac to inform Milt McDonald that if the excavator he had parked on his property to tear down dilapidated houses tear up the newly asphalted city streets, he will have to pay to have them fixed. Mayor Schilling informed the council that she had spoken with DNR and the health department concerning the raw sewage at the Harrison property. They said that neither of them could help that it was all on the city to enforce the ordinances. She thanked Neal Sands and his son for fixing the noon whistle. There was much discussion about the city adopting a procurement policy. Phil Greathouse will bring the procurement policy that he made several years ago and let this council decide if they want to adopt it or change some things in it.
- B. Golf Course Superintendent had nothing, but the Exmark mower that was voted on earlier in the meeting.
- C. City Superintendent, Isaac Dodd, told the council he and his crew have been working on a major leak on 11th Street. He presented an estimate to have Boyd Schylker overlay the parking places down main street to match the highway and his crew will do the striping for \$9770.20.

- i. Neal Sands made a motion to have the overlay done for \$9770.20 and have the city do the striping. Steve Fyfe seconded the motion. Motion carried by roll call vote 3-1. Justin Weimer voted NO because he feels we should bid the striping out too.

- D. City Clerk Joy Finley said she was working on audit preparation with Rick Williams and there would be no Financial for July until it was completed.
- E. City Attorney, Phil Greathouse, informed the council he has been to court several times.
- F. Alderman had nothing at this time.

IX. Closed Session

- A. Justin Weimer made a motion to go into closed session for the discussion of purchasing property at 6:50 p.m. Neal Sands seconded motion. Motion carried by roll call vote 4-0.
- B. Justin Weimer made a motion to come out of closed session at 6:56 p.m. Steve Fyfe seconded the motion. Motion carried by roll call vote 4-0.

- X. Steve made a motion to contact Richard Sparks and offer to purchase his house on 4th Street by paying the taxes and having him quit-claim deed it to the city for \$500.00. Perry Ellis seconded the motion. Motion carried by roll call vote 4-0.
Neal Sands made a motion to pay the taxes if Mr. Sparks agreed to the above. Justin Weimer seconded the motion. Motion carried by roll call vote. 4-0.

XI. Adjournment

- A. Justin Weimer made a motion to adjourn at 7:00 p.m. Steve Fyfe seconded the motion. Motion carried by roll call vote 4-0.

Attest: _____
Joy Finley, City Clerk