

Lawton City Council

September 10, 2025

The Lawton city council met in regular session at 5:30pm on September 10, 2025, in the council chambers at 315 Ash St. Mayor Pedersen called the meeting to order around 5:30pm. Roll call was answered by Nelson, Otto, and Saunders.

Agenda: Motion by Otto, second by Saunders to approve the agenda as posted. Motion carried with all voting aye.

Public forum: Gary Byers asked about damage that was done on Linden St.

Sheriff: Officer Bauerly shared the Woodbury County Sheriff's report for August including 15 directed patrols and 13 calls for service.

Fire: Chief Ludwig reported there were 3 calls for service in August and the Fire Association Pancake Breakfast will be September 20th.

Mayor: Mayor Pedersen reminded election papers are due Sept 18th by 5pm, received a request for a trailer to be moved, and shared the Lawton post of the American Legion will be restarting regular meetings.

Clerk: Clerk reported a CD renewed at the bank in August and another will renew next month, received a couple boxes of old files from Thompson Law Office, and Ken Eysers has been working on getting the grandfather clock in city hall working again.

Public works: director reported continued mowing and weed-eating, hoping to get started on the Quonset painting project, the part-time summer position will continue working Mondays and Fridays until mowing is done, and beginning to get winter equipment prepared.

Consent agenda: motion by Saunders, second by Nelson to approve the minutes of the August 13, 2025, regular city council meeting. Motion carried with all voting aye. Motion by Otto, second by Nelson to approve the September disbursements and August claims for payment and financial reports. Motion carried with all voting aye. Motion by Nelson, second by Saunders to approve the utility billing trial balance and accounts receivable audit report. Motion carried with all voting aye.

Fire station: Chief Ludwig and Nate Niehus presented an updated drawing for a fire station addition. Councilman Heiss joined the meeting at 6:02pm. Discussion followed about estimated cost, funding, possible grants, fundraising, size, and amenities of the project.

Street finance report: motion by Saunders, second by Nelson to approve the FY24-25 Annual Street Finance Report. Motion carried with all voting aye.

Annual financial report: motion by Nelson, second by Saunders to approve the FY24-25 Annual Financial Report. Motion carried with all voting aye.

Special events permit- motion by Saunders, second by Nelson to approve the special events permit for the Lawton-Bronson CSD Homecoming Parade September 19, 2025, Motion carried with all voting aye.

Special events permit- motion by Otto, second by Nelson to approve the special events permit for the Banner Township Cemetery Bags Tournament for September 20th. Motion carried with all voting aye.

Resolution 2025-14 Transfer of Funds

Motion by Saunders, second by Nelson to approve transferring the remaining funds from the FY2024-25 Fire Budget in the amount of \$16,730.60 to the Fire CD account. Motion carried on a roll call vote with all voting aye.

Building permit: motion by Otto, second by Nelson to approve the building permit for 218 E Maple with a setback variance for a new dwelling. Motion carried with Nelson, Otto, and Saunders voting aye, and Heiss abstaining.

101 E Maple lease: motion by Heiss, second by Otto to accept the nonrenewal from Jen Stilwell for the office space at 101 E Maple. Council directed clerk to post office space for rent. Motion carried with all voting aye.

Mower: PW director presented a quote for a new Grasshopper mower. Motion by Heiss, second by Otto to approve the trade in of an old mower and purchase of new mower. Motion carried with Heiss, Otto, and Nelson voting aye and Saunders voting nay.

Air con: PW director presented a quote to install air mini-split units. Motion by Heiss, second by Saunders to approve installation. Motion carried with all voting aye.

Chris Prosch spoke to the council.

With no further business, motion by Saunders, second by Nelson to adjourn the meeting at 6:51pm. Motion carried with all voting aye.

Jesse Pedersen, Mayor

Tricia Jernberg, City Clerk

City of Lawton- Claims & Revenues- August 2025

ACCO UNLIMITED	CHLORINE	\$	637.60
APEX CROP SERVICES LLC	SPRAYER PUMP & PARTS	\$	549.42
ARNOLD MOTOR SUPPLY	SHOP SUPPLIES	\$	59.20
BADGER METER	WATER READ SERVICES	\$	62.13
BOMGAARS	TRAILER/WINCH/TOOLBOX/FLGBRCKS/LLCLOTHING/COMGRDN	\$	622.29
CAPITAL MANAGEMENT LLC	YEARLY LEASE ON BALLFIELDS	\$	2,475.00
CARDIS FENCE & IRON CO	EXTEND FENCE PICKLEBALL COURT/FENCEREPAIR	\$	7,502.61
CITY OF LAWTON	FIRE UTILITIES	\$	40.05
COLLECTION SERVICES CENTR	CHILD SUPPORT	\$	353.52
DAKOTA SUPPLY GROUP	PVC FITTING	\$	37.43
DIAMOND VOGEL PAINT - 285	PAINT FOR QUONSET & ROADLINES	\$	2,105.36
EFTPS	FED/FICA TAX	\$	4,189.29
FOUNDATION ANALYTICAL LAB	WATER TESTING	\$	16.50
FRANKS' ASPHALT INC.	POT HOLE FIXES & PATCHES	\$	3,950.00
G&K DISPOSAL, LLC	JULY GARBAGE	\$	6,894.00
HAKA	PW & FIRE FUEL	\$	1,389.96
HUNDERTMARK	POWERWASHER REPAIR	\$	38.96
IA DEPT NATURAL RESOURCES	NPDES WASTEWATER PERMIT FEE	\$	211.50
IMFOA	IMFOA FALL CONFERENCE	\$	254.00
IOWA ONE CALL	LOCATES	\$	11.70
IOWA PRISON INDUSTRIES	CEDAR ST/CT SIGNS	\$	73.60
IPERS	REGULAR IPERS	\$	2,809.54
JUSTIN DUNNINGTON	PR ADVANCE	\$	1,770.00
LINDBLOM SERVICES INC	TREEPILE HAULX5 & MONTHLYRENT	\$	1,829.90
LOFFLER COMPANIES, INC.	COPIER CONTRACT	\$	231.32
MATHESON TRI-GAS INC	TORCH GAS	\$	183.90
MENARDS - SIOUX CITY	CH SHELF/BATTERIES/SPOT CLEANER	\$	368.46
MIDAMERICAN ENERGY	UTILITIES	\$	4,608.02
MIDWEST ALARM	2025 QTR3 FIRE ALARM MONITOR	\$	122.04
SAMS CLUB	TOILET PAPER & PAPER TOWELS-CC	\$	44.24
SBW INC DBA ACE ENGINE	MOWER WHEEL & PARTS/OIL/LINEREPAIR	\$	454.56
SCHEELS	BOOTS-JD	\$	175.00
SHANES GLASS	TOOLCAT WINDOW REPAIR	\$	151.58
SONS OF TWENTY	STREET DANCE 2025 BAND	\$	4,500.00
THE RECORD	JULY PUBLISHING	\$	358.86
TREAS ST IA	JULY 2025 WET	\$	940.42
WELLMARK	HEALTH INSURANCE	\$	2,039.72
WESTERN IOWA TELEPHONE	TELEPHONE & INTERNET	\$	528.16
WOODBURY CTY TREASURER	PROPERTYTAX PARCEL894532405008	\$	836.25

Total expenses by fund: General \$35,080.61, Fire \$700.73, Road Use Tax \$7,545.27, Water \$7,884.81, Sewer \$2,214.67

Total revenues by fund: General \$10,788.45, Road Use Tax \$10,956.82, Local Option Sales Tax \$11,697.68, Building
2022 \$211.14, Water \$17,442, Sewer \$29,239.71