

ULYSSES CITY COUNCIL  
 REGULAR SESSION  
 January 27, 2016

PRESENT:

Mayor:	John Battin
Council Members Present:	Jerry Jo Deckert, Tim McCauley, John Duran, Warren Devore, and Kenneth Warner
Staff Present:	Alan Olson, and Sarah Britton,
Visitors:	Jon Becker

**Mayor** Battin called the meeting to order at 5:00pm.

The **Pledge of Allegiance** was led by Mayor Battin.

Pastor Jon Becker led the room in **Opening Prayer**.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion by Council Member Devore, seconded by Council Member Warner to approve the consent agenda. Council Members McCauley, Deckert, and Duran voted yea. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none.

**Visitors:**

**OLD BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Dirks Anthony & Duncan, LLC 2015 Engagement Letter**

Motion by Council Member Deckert, seconded by Council Member Duran to accept Dirks, Anthony & Duncan 2015 engagement letter. Council Members Warner, McCauley, and Devore voted yea. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none.

**Blue Cross Blue Shield Renewal**

City Clerk Britton informed the Council that starting April 2016 the insurance will increase by 4.45%. The city budgeted 18%.

**Monthly Premium**

<u>Type of Coverage</u>	<u>Health</u>	<u>Dental</u>	<u>Total</u>
Employee	\$542.73	\$38.31	\$581.04
Employee/Child	\$1137.20	\$79.11	\$1216.31
Employee/Spouse	\$1165.69	\$82.37	\$1248.06
Family	\$1760.16	\$123.17	\$1883.33

Motion by Council Member McCauley, seconded by Council Member Devore to accept the Blue Cross blue Shield increase of 4.45% for 2016. Council Members Warner, Duran, and Deckert voted yea. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none.

**Quarterly Report**

Interim City Administrator Olson stated that the beginning cash balance of the last quarter of 2015 was \$5,781,398.72. The ending cash balance is \$5,640,695.13. Olson also stated that in 2014 we made \$1,893,679.48 in sales tax, and in 2015 the city made \$1,669,474.44.

**STAFF COMMENTS**

City Clerk Britton stated that she needs the Council to vote on the Business Builder of the Year, and return them back to her. The Annual Chamber Banquet will be held on February 27th, 2016.

Interim City Administrator Olson stated that he has been asked to talk about the quality of water within the City of Ulysses. The city currently tests 20 services every three years for a variety of things, one of which is the amount of lead in our water. The last test on lead was 2.5 parts per billion, and the attention level is 15 parts per billion. The quality report is on the city's website if anyone has questions.

**COUNCIL MEMBER’S COMMENTS**

Council Member Duran stated that the city crew is doing a great job on the crack sealing.

Council Member McCauley stated that he went by the Wilson street address where the camper was parked, and the camper is gone.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Council Member McCauley, seconded by Council Member Duran to adjourn the meeting at 5:20 p.m. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none.

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Mayor John Battin

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Council Member Jerry Jo Deckert

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Council Member Tim McCauley

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Council Member John Duran

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Council Member Larry Velasquez

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Interim City Administrator Alan Olson

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City Clerk Sarah Britton