

**ULYSSES CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR SESSION  
February 27, 2013**

**PRESENT:**

Mayor: John Battin

Council Members Present: John Duran, Tim McCauley, Warren Devore,  
Janet Stewart & Dan Widder

Council Members Absent: Larry Velasquez

Staff Present: Alan Olson, Margaret Perez, Dave Black & Ruben Flores

Visitors: Gaylon Ethridge, Kellie Euliss, Todd Fry, Trevor Ploutz,  
Shayla Jaquez, Lonnie Lee, Sara Olson, Shane Olson,  
Leslie Mangels, Rico Perez, Dave Younger, Rick Cue,  
Ron Smith, Tom Vick, Peter Earls, Warren Baldwin, &  
Rodger Hilton

**Mayor Battin** called the meeting to order a 5:00 p.m.

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

Pastor Warren Baldwin led the room in **Opening Prayer**.

**Consent Agenda:**

Motion by Council Member Duran, seconded by Council Member Stewart, to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

**Visitors:**

**Ulysses Unified School District #214**

School Superintendent Dave Younger and school administrators commended the City Council, Police Chief Alan Olson and Ulysses Police Department for doing a fabulous job working with USD #214. Superintendent Younger appreciates the time Police Chief Olson and Ulysses Police Department in visiting with administrators and completing walk-throughs in the schools.

**BUSINESS AGENDA:**

Old Business

**Aeration**

City Engineer Pete Earls provided further explanation of the aeration system at the lagoons. He provided spreadsheets stating the readings of Biochemical Oxygen Demand, Total Suspended Solids, E. Coli Bacteria and Ammonia; described the process of wastewater treatment facility, and how the City employees maintain the system. City Engineer Earls revised proposal is as follows:

Cost:

- We have budgeted \$125,000
- Two 10 horse power high volume aerators (DO2E); two curtains; one 4 horse aerator near polishing pond for \$149,451.00
- Dave's Electric quoted: \$23,245.00 for trenching the electricity to the aeration locations
- **Total \$172,696.00**

Revised Proposal:

- Pioneer Electric has donated the wiring saving the City a total cost of \$12-14,000.
- The water department will trench its own lines
- The two curtains will not be put in at this point
- ***Estimated Total Cost: \$132,000***

Motion by Council Member Devore, seconded by Council Member Widder, to approve the revised project. Motion carried unanimously.

#### New Business

##### **Resolution 2013-1**

City Clerk Margaret Perez reported the City received \$6,175.23 of earned interest in 2012. This year, the General Fund is the recommended fund to receive the 2012 Interest Transfer of \$6,175.23. Councilmember Duran moved and Councilmember Devore seconded the motion, to adopt Resolution No. 2013-1. Mayor Battin called for the vote, motion carried unanimously.

##### **Ordinance #1220**

Interim City Administrator Alan Olson introduced the draft of Ordinance #1220 addressing the parks fee, both weekly and monthly and omitted leaving pets in vehicles. The councilmembers will review the ordinance and it will be discussed during the March 13<sup>th</sup> City Council meeting.

#### Staff Comments

City Clerk Perez reported the City Hall will host Chamber Coffee on Friday, March 1<sup>st</sup> and will be attending the City Clerk Conference in Wichita on March 13-15<sup>th</sup>.

Superintendent Public Works Ruben Flores commented the crew was prepared for the winter storm which missed Ulysses.

#### Council Member's Comments

Council Member Stewart appreciated Pete Earls providing further explanation on the project and thanked Interim City Administrator Olson and Public Works Superintendent Flores for their work.

Council Member Duran thanked Pete Earles for saving the City of Ulysses money in the past and asked Interim City Administrator Olson to look into moving the power pole that is half down on the east side of the EMS building.

Council Member McCauley was glad to table the Ordinance #1220 as he has been approached by individuals in the community.

#### Adjournment

At 5:53 p.m. Council Member McCauley made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Council Member Duran. Meeting was adjourned.

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Mayor John Battin

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City Clerk Margaret Perez