

**ULYSSES CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION
April 24, 2013**

PRESENT:

Mayor:	John Battin
Council Members Present:	John Duran, Tim McCauley, Janet Stewart, Dan Widder & Jerry Jo Deckert
Council Members Absent:	Warren Devore
Staff Present:	Alan Olson, Margaret Perez, Dave Black, Danny Watson & Sheila Maxfield
Visitors:	Trevor Ploutz, Pam Jones, Kellie Euliss, Tom Vick, Gary Boldt, & Jen Hittle

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

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

Council Member Stewart led the room in **Opening Prayer**.

CONSENT AGENDA:

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

VISITORS:

Jen Hittle with Jr. Civic thanked Chief of Police Alan Olson and the Ulysses Police Department for going above and beyond in ensuring the safety of the participants during the Fun Run event.

NEW BUSINESS

GAAP Waiver Resolution 2013-3 & GAAP Waiver Resolution 2013-4

Matthew Medill with Dirks, Anthony and Duncan informed the council that the State of Kansas allows audits to be completed on a cash basis, which allows the utilization of simplified financial reports. A GAAP Waiver resolution should be approved on an annual basis; otherwise, we will have two audits to review complex financial reports.

Motion made by Council Member Stewart, seconded by Council Member McCauley to approve GAAP Waiver 2013-3. Councilmember Widder, Duran, and Deckert voted yea. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none.

Motion made by Council Member McCauley, seconded by Council Member Duran to approve GAAP Waiver 2013-4. Councilmember Widder, Stewart, and Deckert voted yea. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none.

Appointments:

Mayor Battin made the following appointments:

Interim City Administrator	Alan Olson
City Clerk	Margaret Perez
City Treasurer	Sheila Maxfield
Chief of Police	Alan Olson
City Attorney	Dave Black
Municipal Judge	Margaret Alford
City Planner	John Riggs

Motion by Council Member Duran, seconded by Council Member McCauley, to accept Mayor Battin appointments. Council Member Widder, Stewart, and Deckert voted yea. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none.

Mayor Battin appointed the following entities:

Official Newspaper/s	Ulysses News Garden City Telegram
Official Radio Station	KULY
Official Bank/s	Grant County Bank Golden Plains Credit Union Bank of Ulysses Western State Bank

Motion by Council Member Widder, seconded by Council Member Stewart, to accept Mayor Battin appointments. Council Members Duran, McCauley and Deckert voted yea. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none.

Park and Tree Board: Linda Velasquez, Chris Faulkner and Jeff Walker.

Motion by Council Member McCauley, seconded by Council Member Stewart, to accept Mayor Battin appointments. Council Members Widder, Duran and Deckert voted yea. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none.

City Planning Commission: Terrance Maas

Motion by Council Member Deckert, seconded by Council Member Duran, to accept Mayor Battin appointments. Council Members Widder, Stewart and McCauley voted yea. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none.

Board of Electrical Examiners: Justin Ford, Aaron Metcalf, Dave Metcalf and Kyle Stringham.

Motion by Council Member Duran, seconded by Council Member Deckert, to accept Mayor Battin appointments. Council Members Widder, Stewart and McCauley voted yea. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none.

Plumbing & Mechanical Examiners: Octavio Banuelos, John Crosby and Jason Contreras.

Motion by Council Member Duran, seconded by Council Member McCauley, to accept Mayor Battin appointments. Council Members Widder, Stewart and McCauley voted yea. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none.

Golf Board: John Alig and Randy McCauley.

Motion by Council Member Duran, seconded by Council Member Deckert, to accept Mayor Battin appointments. Council Members Widder, Stewart and McCauley voted yea. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none.

Utilities: George Bushnell, John Crosby, Larry Davis, Ruben Flores, Richard Banes, Alan Olson, Thadd Kistler, Tim McCauley, Tom Vick and Ben Oliver.

Motion by Council Member Stewart, seconded by Council Member Duran, to accept Mayor Battin appointments. Council Members Widder, McCauley and Deckert voted yea. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none.

Tax Rebate Program

Interim City Administrator Olson provided a draft proposal prepared by Tom Fuhrmann and County Clerk Sheila Brown. The County chose an eligibility base of a \$5,000 appraised value. Council members are to review it and contact Interim City Administrator Olson for questions.

City Treasurer Quarterly Report

Interim City Administrator Olson provided the quarterly report which shows the current ending balance of \$4,130,306.62 including a \$200,000.00 CD at Western State Bank and \$2,200.00 cash on hand at City Hall. Last year, the ending balance was \$3,361,000.00.

Ordinance #1217-1

City Clerk Perez requested Ordinance #1217 be reassigned to Ordinance #1217-1 as there was a duplication of ordinance numbers. This was identified by the auditors.

Motion by Council Member Deckert, seconded by Council Member Duran, to approve Ordinance #1217-1. Council Members Widder, Stewart and McCauley voted yea. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none.

Asbestos Removal Bids

Interim City Administrator Olson provided the following bids which include travel cost, removal and disposal:

- 1) ISI Industrial Services for \$3,470.00
- 2) ACM LLC for \$3,480.00

Motion by Council Member Deckert, seconded by Council Member Stewart, to accept ISI Industrial Services for \$3,470.00. Council Members Widder, Duran and McCauley voted yea. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none.

STAFF COMMENTS

Golf Course Superintendent Danny Watson invited the council to see the new addition of Bentwood Clubhouse. The staff is preparing for tournament time. The Boys 4A Regional tournament will be held in Ulysses, therefore the golf course will be closed on May 12th (for practice) and 13th (Regional Tournament).

Interim City Administrator Olson was approached by Larry Velasquez to close the street on the south side of Memorial Park from Main Street to the alley east of there for the GI Forum Cinco de Mayo celebration on Saturday, May 4th. The council approved the closing of the street. Interim City Administrator Olson requested to extend the working day to Thursday, May 16th beginning at 4pm at City Hall. In regards to the tractor trailer parking concerns, flyers have been distributed and tickets will be written for those who park their tractor trailer illegally. On a final note, each council member received a packet which includes costs of wetland project throughout the years.

City Clerk Perez will schedule a meeting for the insurance committee.

COUNCIL MEMBER’S COMMENTS

Council Member Deckert announced that Biking Across Kansas will be biking through Ulysses on Saturday, June 8th. They are looking for vendor booths at Memorial Park for food for lunch.

Council Members welcomed the re-appointment of staff.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Council Member McCauley, seconded by Council Member Duran to adjourn the meeting at 5:38 p.m. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nay, none.

Mayor John Battin

Council Member Jerry Jo Deckert

Council Member Tim McCauley

Council Member Dan Widder

Council Member Janet Stewart

Council Member John Duran

Council Member Warren Devore

Interim City Administrator Alan Olson

City Clerk Margaret Perez