

**ULYSSES CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION
October 11, 2023**

PRESENT:

Mayor: Tim McCauley

Council Members Present: John Duran, Ken Warner, Sam Guy,
Mark Diaz, and Terry Maas

Staff Present: Sarah Britton

Visitors: Richard Leierer, Irene Velasquez, Terry Dimitt , Ken Keusler, Judy Keusler,
Meaghen Noriega

Mayor Tim McCauley called the meeting to order at 5:00p.m.

The **Pledge of Allegiance** was led by Mayor Tim McCauley.

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

CONSENT AGENDA

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

Visitors:

Citizen Richard Leierer expressed some concerns to the council. Richard stated that the city and county are going to have an issue with elm beetles killing the elm trees if they are not sprayed. He asked the council why we do not advertise events in the Kansas County Living Magazine. Richard is also concerned about jake brakes and why we are not ticketing for that, the speeding on Missouri street, and why the city has not put up a four way stop at Missouri and Nebraska.

Mayor McCauley stated that he will look into this, and see what we can do.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Grant County Community Gives Proclamation

Director of Grant County Gives, Judy Keusler stated that the 12th Annual Grant County Gives Week is October 29th through November 4th 2023. Judy encouraged the community to get involved in the special events going on that week, and that this benefits 32 local organizations.

Mayor McCauley did hereby proclaim October 29th through November 4th, 2023 as: Grant County Gives Week.

Ordinance 1320 Water Rates

Motion by Council Member Diaz, seconded by Council Member Duran to approve ordinance 1320 a 3% increase in water rates starting January 1, 2024. Council Members Maas, Warner, and Guy, voted yea. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none

Ordinance 1321 Refuse Collection

Motion by Council Member Maas, seconded by Council Member Warner to approve ordinance 1321 a 3% increase in refuse collection starting January 1, 2024. Council Members Diaz, Duran, and Guy, voted yea. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none

Ordinance 1322 Storm Water Fee

Motion by Council Member Warner, seconded by Council Member Diaz to approve ordinance 1322 a 3% increase in storm water fee starting January 1, 2024. Council Members Maas, Duran, and Guy, voted yea. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none

Ordinance 1323 Waste Water Collection

Motion by Council Member Duran, seconded by Council Member Maas to approve ordinance 1323 a 3% increase in waste water collection starting January 1, 2024. Council Members Warner, Diaz, and Guy, voted yea. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none

STAFF COMMENTS

City Clerk Britton asked the council about which days the city will be closed for the Holidays. The council agreed to:

Thanksgiving: November 23rd & 24th

Christmas: December 25th & 26th

News Years Day: January 1st

Britton asked the council if they would like to have the second council meeting in November on November 20th. The council was in agreement to move the council meeting to November 20th at 5:00p.m.

Britton stated that the League of Kansas Municipalities is holding a City Forum in Scott City on October 17th from 10:30a.m. to 2:00p.m., if anyone is interested in attending.

Mayor McCauley stated that the new lift is installed at the city shop, and is working great.

COUNCIL MEMBER'S COMMENTS

Council Member Maas stated that he attended the League Conference this weekend, and that it was a good conference.

Council Member Duran also stated that it was a good conference, and stated that the city should attend the concrete meeting that is going to be held in Garden City.

Council Member Guy stated that he agreed with some of the information that Richard Leierer stated.

Mayor McCauley thanked the council for attending the League Conference, and reminded the council to turn in their mileage and receipts from the conference.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Council Member Guy, seconded by Council Member Diaz to adjourn the meeting at 5:46p.m. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none.

Mayor Tim McCauley

Council Member Mark Diaz

Council Member Terry Maas

Council Member Kenneth Warner

Council Member Sam Guy

Council Member John Duran

Absent
Council Member Caleb Woods

City Clerk Sarah Britton