

**ULYSSES CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR SESSION  
April 28, 2021**

**PRESENT:**

Mayor: Tim McCauley

Council Members Present: Ken Warner, Jerry Jo Deckert,  
Caleb Woods, Terry Maas, and Sam Guy

Staff Present: Alan Olson, Dave Black, and Sarah Britton

Visitors: Jantz Becker, and Kyle Stringham

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

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

Council Member John Duran led the room in **Opening Prayer**.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion by Council Member Deckert, seconded by Council Member Guy to add Mayer Specialty Services contract to the consent agenda. Council Members Warner, Woods, and Maas, voted yea. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none

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

**Visitors:**

Kyle Stringham with Pioneer Communications explained that they would like to have a customer appreciation event on May 27, 2021 from 11:00AM to 1:00PM 2 hours only get 50 cents off each gallon of fuel. This event will be located at Brown Dupree at 416 S Colorado. The council is in agreement with this event.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Request for Water Service**

City Administrator Olson stated that two of the concerns for this water project have been, does the city have the capability to serve more water services, and how are our water rights doing. Olson stated that the city pumped 473,930,000.00 gallons of water in 2020, and the water available is 1,105,084,564 gallons. So the city would have water available for this project.

Olson stated that he has been in contact with the bonding company Triple Wolf and Garison to bond this project, and also the water tower system. Olson asked the bonding company to prepare an Ordinance to bond \$160,000.00 for the water project, and once we have solid numbers for the water tower system the city can add it to this bond.

Olson stated we should have the information from the bonding company at the next meeting.

**Total Estimated Costs for Water Project**

Earles Engineering & Inspection, Inc.

Ulysses 160 waterline project Costs

| Item               | Cost        | Accum Cost   |
|--------------------|-------------|--------------|
| Materials          | \$80,000.00 | \$80,000.00  |
| Boring             | \$28,000.00 | \$108,000.00 |
| Gravel             | \$2,500.00  | \$110,500.00 |
| Flowable Fill      | \$3,000.00  | \$113,500.00 |
| Survey & Easements | \$18,500.00 | \$132,000.00 |
| Engineering        | \$14,447.00 | \$146,447.00 |

TOTAL ESTIMATED COST FOR STAFF TO BUILD WATER MAIN  
**\$146,447.00**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**2021 Appointments**

Mayor McCauley stated that he will be only appointing essential positions tonight.

Mayor McCauley made the following appointments:

**City Administrator                      Alan Olson**

Motion by Council Member Deckert, seconded by Council Member Maas to accept Alan Olson as City Administrator. Council Members Warner, Woods, and Guy voted yea. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none.

**City Clerk    Sarah Britton**

Motion by Council Member Deckert, seconded by Council Member Maas to accept Sarah Britton as City Clerk. Council Members Woods, Warner, and Guy voted yea. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none.

**City Treasurer    Sheila Maxfield**

Motion by Council Member Warner, seconded by Council Member Guy to accept Sheila Maxfield as City treasurer. Council Members Deckert, Woods, Maas and Duran voted yea. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none.

**City Attorney    Dave Black**

Motion by Council Member Maas, seconded by Council Member Warner to accept Dave Black as City Attorney. Council Members Deckert, Woods, and Guy voted yea. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none.

**Municipal Judge    Margaret Alford**

Motion by Council Member Deckert, seconded by Council Member Warner to accept Margaret Alford as Municipal Judge. Council Members Woods, Guy, and Maas voted yea. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none.

City Planner

John Riggs

Motion by Council Member Warner, seconded by Council Member Maas to accept John Riggs as City Planner. Council Members Woods, Deckert, and Guy voted yea. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none.

City Engineer

Earles Engineering

Motion by Council Member Maas, seconded by Council Member Deckert to accept Earles Engineering as City Engineer. Council Members Woods, Warner, and Guy voted yea. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none.

Official Newspaper

Ulysses News, Garden City Telegram

Motion by Council Member Deckert, seconded by Council Member Maas to accept Ulysses News and the Garden City Telegram as City Official Newspapers. Council Members Woods, Warner, and Guy voted yea. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none.

Official Radio Station

KULY

Motion by Council Member Warner, seconded by Council Member Deckert to accept KULY as City Official Radio Station. Council Members Woods, Guy, and Maas voted yea. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none.

Official Banks

Grant County Bank, Bank of Ulysses, First National Bank

Motion by Council Member Warner, seconded by Council Member Deckert to accept Grant County Bank, Bank of Ulysses, and Western State Bank as City Official Banks. Council Members Woods, Maas, and Guy voted yea. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none.

Trash Container Bids

City Administrator Olson stated the city received two bids for the trash containers, and the city has budgeted \$30,000.00.

Downing Sales & Service:

\$24,597.00

WasteQuip:

\$46,280.00

Motion by Council Member Warner, seconded by Council Member Woods to accept the bid from Downing Sales & Service for \$24,597.00. Council Members Deckert, Maas, and Guy voted yea. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none.

Mayer Specialty Services Contract

City Administrator Olson stated that Mayer Specialty Services has prepared a contract for the city.

Mayor Specialty Services, LLC agrees to supply certified material, equipment, applicators, and management to perform storm water sewer rehabilitation for the City as follows:

|      |   |           |   |                  |             |
|------|---|-----------|---|------------------|-------------|
| 2021 | Rehabilitate approximately<br>Material: Strong Seal Strom<br>Seal | 2456 s.f. | @ | \$28.50 per s.f. | \$70,000.00 |
| 2022 | Rehabilitate approximately<br>Material: Strong Seal Strom<br>Seal | 2456 s.f. | @ | \$28.50 per s.f. | \$70,000.00 |
| 2023 | Rehabilitate approximately<br>Material: Strong Seal Strom<br>Seal | 2456 s.f. | @ | \$28.50 per s.f. | \$70,000.00 |

Term: The term of this agreement is three years consisting of three annually renewable calendar periods each ending on December 31. This agreement begins January 1, 2021 and renews each January 1 thereafter through 2023.

Motion by Council Member Deckert, seconded by Council Member Guy to accept the Mayer Specialty Services Contract for three years at \$70,000.00 per year. Council Members Deckert, Maas, and Warner voted yea. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none.

**STAFF COMMENTS**

City Administrator Olson stated that City Clerk Sarah Britton and I watched a webinar regarding the American Rescue Plan;

On Thursday, March 11, President Biden signed the American Rescue Plan (ARPA), providing \$1.9 trillion in economic stimulus to assist in the long-term recovery from the economic and public health impacts related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The provisions of ARPA require the State of Kansas to distribute financial relief payments directly to non-entitlement units of local government ("NEUs" defined as cities with populations less than 50,000) on behalf of the federal government. Allocation amounts for NEUs are based on population proportionality and are capped at 75% of the 2020 budget (as of January 27, 2020). Allocation amounts, provided by the House Committee on Oversight, will be posted soon. Keep in mind that these amounts will be distributed in two separate payments with 50% distributed initially and the remainder to be distributed 12 months later.

The State of Kansas expects to receive Treasury funds no later than **5/10/2021**. The State will then ensure the first tranche payments are distributed to NEUs within 30 days of receipt as required by the U.S. Treasury.

**COUNCIL MEMBER'S COMMENTS**

Council Member Maas stated that he was satisfied with the way the election turned out.

Council Member Woods thanked the community for voting.

Council Member Warner thanked the staff for their hard work on preparing for the election.

Mayor McCauley also thanked the staff, and he also thanked the Council Members for their help in preparing for the election.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Council Member Maas, seconded by Council Member Deckert to adjourn the meeting at 5:43p.m. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none.

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Mayor Tim McCauley

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Council Member Jerry Jo Deckert

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Terry Maas Council Member

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Council Member Kenneth Warner

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Council Member Sam Guy

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Council Member John Duran

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Council Member Caleb Woods

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City Administrator Alan Olson

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City Clerk Sarah Britton