

**ULYSSES CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION
April 14, 2021**

PRESENT:

Mayor: Tim McCauley

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

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

Visitors: Jantz Becker, Judy Keusler, Jose Olivas, Dixie Flowers,
Shayla Jaquez, Margaret Obholz, and Troy Unruh

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

Visitors:

OLD BUSINESS

Request for Water Service

City Administrator Olson stated he had a meeting with the City Engineer Pete Earles and Public Works Superintendent Ruben Flores regarding the water project. Olson stated that at the next meeting he should have information on the city's water rights, and solid numbers for the water project.

Olson also stated that if the city bonds this water project he would also like to add to this bond a new water system for the water tower.

NEW BUSINESS

Appointing Council Member

Mayor McCauley would like to appoint Terry Maas for Council Member.

Motion by Council Member Warner, seconded by Council Member Duran to appoint Terry Maas for Council Member. Council Members Woods, Deckert, and Guy, voted yea. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none

City Clerk Britton gave the Oath of Office to newly elected Council Member.

National Prescription Drug Take Back Week Proclamation

Judy Keusler with Impact Ulysses gave the council an overview of what the coalition is doing to improve the health of Ulysses citizens.

Judy Keusler stated that Impact Ulysses is here tonight for the proclamation declaring April 19th - 24th as National Prescription Drug Take Back week. National Prescription Drug Take Back Week is a week for every American, in every community across the country, to do his or her part to fight the opioid crisis by disposing of unwanted prescription medications from their medicine cabinets.

Mayor Tim McCauley, Mayor of the City of Ulysses, hereby proclaimed April 19th through April 24th, 2021 as National Prescription Drug Take Back week and encourages Ulysses, KS residents to attend scheduled awareness and educational events.

STAFF COMMENTS

City Administrator Olson stated there has been some concerns regarding the mortality of the fish at Frazier Park. Olson stated that every year there is some fish kill due to the lack of oxygen and the water turning over.

City Administrator Olson stated that he has had some requests for passing an Ordinance for allowing chickens in city limits for the purpose of egg production. Olson stated if this is something the council is interested in he will do some more research.

The council was in agreement to look at how other towns are handling chickens.

Olson stated that the new gate is in at the City Shop.

COUNCIL MEMBER'S COMMENTS

Council Member Terry Maas thanked the council for this opportunity to be on the council, and that he is looking forward to it.

Council Member Deckert asked about the new trees that were planted at Frazier Park, and that they look like they are dead. Mayor McCauley stated that we are going to give them a chance and see what water and warmer weather will do for them.

Council Member Woods welcomed the new Council Member Terry Maas.

Council Member Guy stated that he did not like the idea of shooting water balloons into Frazier Lake.

Council Member Duran welcomed the new Council Member Terry Maas.

Council Member Warner also welcomed the new Council Member Terry Maas, and that early voting has started for the sales tax election.

Mayor McCauley welcomed Council Member Terry Maas.

McCauley stated that he has also received phone calls about Frazier Park regarding the fish and trees being cut down on the east side of the lake. McCauley stated the trees that have been cut down are from the Boy Scouts cleaning up their area.

McCauley stated that the council is welcome to come to the senior center again on April 21, 2021 to discuss the sales tax election, and then for the informational meeting at City Hall from 5:00-to 6:30.

McCauley also stated that the Spring Clean Up will start next week.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Council Member Warner, seconded by Council Member Deckert to adjourn the meeting at 5:45p.m. Motion carried, 6 yeas. Nays, none.

Mayor Tim McCauley

Council Member Jerry Jo Deckert

Council Member

Council Member Kenneth Warner

Council Member Sam Guy

Council Member John Duran

Council Member Caleb Woods

City Administrator Alan Olson

City Clerk Sarah Britton