

**ULYSSES CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION
December 21, 2020**

PRESENT:

Mayor: Tim McCauley

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

Staff Present: Alan Olson, Richard Banes, and Dave Black

Visitors: Jantz Becker

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

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

Pastor John Becker led the room in **Opening Prayer**.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Council Members to approve the consent agenda. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none

Visitors:

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Intersection 160/Stubbs

City Administrator Olson stated that the intersection of 160 and Stubbs is the intersection where there have been multiple accidents over the years. Olson also stated that he has had meetings with the State of Kansas where they have discussed solutions for this intersection.

City Administrator Olson stated KDOT would like to do a traffic study at this intersection before any changes are made.

Mayor McCauley stated that this was put on the agenda to inform the public that the city is doing what they can to make this intersection safer.

Crack Sealant Quotes

City Administrator Olson stated the city received two bids for crack sealant. Which is used to seal cracks in the street.

MAC McConnell & Associates	\$22,828.65
CRAFCO INC	\$23, 850.00

Motion by the council to approve the bid from McConnell & Associates for \$22,828.65. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none

Dilapidated Structure at 300 S Joyce

City Inspector Richard Banes explained to the council all the steps that he has taken to resolve the dilapidated structure at 300 S Joyce. The next step that the council can take is to pass a resolution that will give the city the right to remove the structure at the expense of the owner.

City Administrator Olson explained once the city passes the resolution the city must wait 20 days before they can do anything, also the city must notify the owner by a few different options. Olson stated that the owner will be notified by certified mail, and by publishing the resolution in the City of Ulysses Paper for two consecutive weeks.

Motion by the Council to approve Resolution 2021-2. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none

Resolution 2021-1/Retailers Sales Tax

City Administrator Olson explained to the council that the city at this time has a 2% sales tax with 1% being there forever and the other 1% being put into place in 2011. This extra 1% was put into place for a 10 year period which will end in 2021. Olson stated that the city has an option to have a special election to reinstate the extra 1%. If the 1% is reinstated it will be for a 10 year period starting January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2031.

City Administrator Olson also explained that if the city decides to have a special election all costs will be accessed to the city, costing the city between \$3,000.00 to \$5,000.00. Olson stated that he believes that it would be in the city's best interest to have a special election.

Mayor McCauley stated that the council needs to get out and speak to the citizens regarding how important it is to have this sales tax.

Motion by the Council to approve Resolution 2021-1, with a special election. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none

STAFF COMMENTS

COUNCIL MEMBER’S COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Council Members to adjourn the meeting at 5:35 p.m. Motion carried, 5 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