

**ULYSSES CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION
July 25, 2018**

PRESENT:

Mayor: John Battin

Council Members Present: Tim McCauley, Sam Guy, Ken Warner
Larry Velasquez, and John Duran

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

Visitors: Pastor Gary Gregory, and Lara Tusten

Mayor John Battin called the meeting to order at 5:00pm.

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

Pastor Gary Gregory led the room in **Opening Prayer**.

Motion by Council Member McCauley, seconded by Council Member Duran to add water meter for Rotary Club to old business, and executive session to new business . Council Members Velasquez, Warner, and Guy voted yea. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

Visitors:

OLD BUSINESS

Rotary Water Meter

Mayor Battin stated that at the last council meeting the council had passed a motion to add a water meter on the connect trail between Barb Dye Park and Frazier Lake, but the only water connection close is a fire hydrant and the city does not tap in to hydrants. Battin also stated that he does not think that putting this meter on private property is a good idea, and that the council needs to reconsider the motion.

Mayor Battin stated that he would give Rotary the option to come back and renegotiate.

Motion by Council Member Guy, seconded by Council Member Warner to resend the motion for the water meter for the Rotary Club. Council Members McCauley, Duran, and Velasquez voted yea. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none.

NEW BUSINESS

2019 Budget Hearing

Mayor Battin called the budget meeting to order at 5:08p.m.

Fishing Ordinance 1271

Interim City Administrator Olson stated that at the previous meeting council Member Guy discussed a need for something that restricted barb hooks at Frazier Lake.

Interim City Administrator Olson stated that the ordinance reads no treble hooks, double hooks of any kind will be permitted when fishing at Frazier Lake. Only "single" hooks are permitted when fishing at Frazier Lake.

Motion by Council Member McCauley, seconded by Council Member Velasquez to approve ordinance 1271. Council Members Duran, Warner, and Guy voted yea. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none.

Tigers In action Ordinance 1272

Interim City Administrator Olson stated that in the preliminary budget meeting during the discussion of Tigers In Action Olson discussed the possibility of putting in place something where a dollar from each convicted traffic offense or court case could be deferred to Tigers In Action.

Motion by Council Member Warner, seconded by Council Member McCauley to approve ordinance 1272. Council Members Duran, Velasquez, and Guy voted yea. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none.

CMB License Casey's

Motion by Council Member Warner, seconded by Council Member Duran to approve CMB license for Casey's. Council Members McCauley, Velasquez, and Guy voted yea. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none.

Quarterly Report

Interim City Administrator Olson stated that the quarterly report ending June 30, 2018 shows an ending balance of \$7,898,144.18 from a beginning balance of \$7,442,632.06. The quarterly report from a year ago ending balance \$6,833,584.00.

Interim City Administrator Olson stated the city budgeted for 2018 is \$1,300,000.00 at this point the city has brought in \$819,177.31.

Executive Session

Motion by Council Member Warner, seconded by Council Member Duran to recess into executive session for personnel. Council Members McCauley, Velasquez, and Guy voted yea. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none.

The open meeting will resume in the city council chamber at 5:23p.m.

The Mayor called the meeting back to order at 5:23 no action at this time.

2019 Budget Hearing

Mayor Battin closed the budget hearing no visitors.

Interim City Administrator Olson stated that the Budget Authority for Expenditures for 2019 is \$13,433,630.00

Motion by Council Member Warner, seconded by Council Member Duran to approve the 2019 budget. Council Members Duran, Velasquez, McCauley and Guy voted yea. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none.

STAFF COMMENTS

Interim City Administrator Olson stated that the city has tested the water at Frazier Lake and at this time there is some indication of blue green algae. Olson indicated that the State of Kansas has steps that they do depending on how the algae is growing. At this time the State has given us some warning signs to put out. It does not prohibit fishing at this point, but the State will be testing the water every two weeks. Olson stated that the city has also tested the water in the ponds at the Golf Course and we did not find any indication of this algae in the ponds.

Interim City Administrator stated that this is a natural occurring event, and if it gets to a critical point then the State will close it down. Olson also stated that on the States website they have what the city should post and all the warning signs.

Interim City Administrator Olson stated that he had City Engineer Pete Earles look at the building across the street and discussed some options that the city will need to do to get it ready for use. Pete should be here at the next meeting to discuss the options for that building. Olson also stated he will be looking into purchasing a door for the fire department building at Frazier Lake.

COUNCIL MEMBER'S COMMENTS

Council Member Duran stated that the city and county are doing a good job of sealing the streets.

Council Member Warner thanked the staff for doing a great job on the budget.

Council Member Warner stated that him and his wife go driving around on Sunday mornings, and they went through all of the parks and the parks all look great.

Council Member Guy stated that he rode around with Interim City Administrator Olson for a few hours this morning and that it was a learning experience, and he enjoyed that.

Council Member McCauley thanked the staff for doing a great job on the budget, and also thanked the county for helping the city on the street sealing.

Mayor Battin stated we have met a hard time in the community with the football coach athletic director Jason Kenny passing away. Lots of memories with that young man and all that he has done for the community. His service will be July 27, 2018 10:00a.m. at the High School gym.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Council Member McCauley, seconded by Council Member Velasquez to adjourn the meeting at 5:32 p.m. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none.

Mayor John Battin

Council Member Jerry Jo Deckert

Council Member Tim McCauley

Council Member Kenneth Warner

Council Member Larry Velasquez

Council Member John Duran

Council Member Sam Guy

Interim City Administrator Alan Olson

City Clerk Sarah Britton