

**ULYSSES CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR SESSION  
September 13, 2017**

**PRESENT:**

Mayor: Absent

Council Members Present: Jerry Jo Deckert, Tim McCauley, Warren Devore,  
Ken Warner, and John Duran

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

Visitors: Bene Garcia, Gary Boldt, Marieta Hauser,  
Pete Woods, and Mike Gray

**Council President** called the meeting to order at 5:00pm.

The **Pledge of Allegiance** was led by Council President 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 Duran, McCauley and Devore voted yea. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none.

**Visitors:**

Chamber of Commerce Director Marieta Hauser presented to the council some new events for fall fest on October 7, 2017. The first one being a dueling piano group, and a street dance to follow. Marieta stated she would also like to propose to the council for Fall Fest of having a beer garden across from City Hall in the open lot. Outlaw's Bar would be providing the alcohol.

Pete Woods owner of Outlaw's Bar stated that his liquor license will allow them to cater off premises. They have to notify the state a week in advance of the event.

Interim City Administrator Olson stated that he will get in contact with beverage control and report back at the next meeting with all details.

Citizen Mike Gray stated to the council that he believes that someone has stole the rims and tires off his camper, and replaced them with an old pair.

Council President McCauley stated to citizen Mike Gray that this is a business meeting, and we are not going to discuss police matters at this time. If you believe that your property has been stolen then you need to report it to law enforcement.

Citizen Gary Boldt congratulated Interim City Administrator for being nominated to the Water Offices' Regional Committee.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Updating The Personnel Manuel**

City Clerk Britton stated that if the council has reviewed the two new polices concealed carry of handguns, and on duty use of social media by employees and are in agreement with them, then a motion and a vote needs to be made.

Motion by Council Member Warner, seconded by Council Member Duran to approve the concealed carry of handguns. Council Members Deckert, McCauley and Devore voted yea. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none.

Motion by Council Member Devore, seconded by Council Member Deckert to approve the on duty use of social media. Council Members Warner, McCauley and Duran voted yea. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Pete Woods Drainage**

Pete Woods owner of Outlaws Bar and Grill stated to the council that they have been having a drainage issue out behind the bar. Pete stated to help solve the problem he would like at the northeast corner of the parking lot put precast drain box, and run a 12 inch pipe from there along the alley out to the inlet on Joyce street into the ditch.

Interim City Administrator Olson asked City Engineer Pete Earles if he sees any problem with what Pete is wanting to do with the drainage. Pete Earles did not see a problem with it. Pete Earles stated that he will have to get it designed, and make sure no utilities are in the way.

Interim City Administrator Olson stated before the work is covered up make sure it has been inspected by Pete Earles. The Council came to a consensus to agree to let Pete Woods start the drainage project.

**Water Project Change Order #9**

**CHANGE IN CONTRACT PRICE**

Original Contract Price	\$2,062,712.20
Previous Change Orders No. 1 thur 8	-( \$212,972.20)
Contract Price Prior to this Change Order	\$1,849,740.00
Net Decrease of this Change Order	\$7,701.99
<b>Contract Price with all Approved Change Orders</b>	<b>\$1,842,038.01</b>

Motion by Council Member Devore, seconded by Council Member Warner to approve change order number 9. Council Members Deckert, McCauley and Duran voted yea. Those voting nay, none. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none.

**STAFF COMMENTS**

City Clerk Britton reminded the council of the league conference is September 15-18, and the Home Products Dinner September 19, 2017.

Interim City Administrator Olson stated that at the last council meeting we took bids for two new heating and air conditioning units that is in the works. Olson also stated that he has received some information from the insurance company regarding roof damage due to weather. Olson stated due to the damages insurance is going to assist the city in some of the costs of repairs. Olson asked the council if he could proceed in getting bids for the roof on city hall. The council agreed to get bids for the city hall roof.

Interim City Administrator Olson stated that the city may also receive some funds from the insurance to repair the scout house due to weather damage, and two buildings at the Golf Course. Olson also stated that there is some dents in the golf cart shed doors, and the insurance company indicated if the city wanted too they could be replaced.

Interim City Administrator Olson stated that today City Clerk Britton and I went to Garden City to an informational meeting regarding the federal fund exchange. The changes that they have made are the city will no longer be able to bank money from year to year to save money to do a project. Starting in 2018 the city will have to use the money allotted in that fiscal year or the city will lose the funds.

Interim City Administrator Olson stated that also today City Engineer Pete Earles and I went to Satanta to speak with the railroad regarding the tracks on main street. The railroad scheduled a meeting to come to Ulysses on September 22, 2017 at 1:00p.m.

**COUNCIL MEMBER’S COMMENTS**

Council Member Duran stated that the streets are looking great.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Council Member Deckert, seconded by Council Member Warner to adjourn the meeting at 5:37 p.m. Motion carried, 5 yeas. Nays, none.

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