

The Dallas City Council held its regular meeting on April 8, 2010, at 5:30 P.M. Mayor Higgins called the meeting to order with the following commissioners present: Jason Gold and Esther Newberry. Joyce Ellison and Harold Northup were absent.

Others attending the meeting were Rod Clark and Chris Classen.

A motion was made by Newberry, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gold to accept the minutes of the March 25, 2010, meeting. Gold, Newberry, and Higgins AYE. Ellison and Northup ABSENT.

A motion was made by Gold, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Newberry to pay all bills, except Tom Edmonds' bill for \$100. Gold, Newberry, and Higgins AYE. Ellison and Northup ABSENT.

Discussed properties in town. The property owners at 222 West Fourth Street have gotten their separate water line installed. It appears nothing has been done on the properties on Oak Street.

It appears that the East Fourth Street bridge project is coming along very well.

Mayor Higgins informed the council that she is planning on attending a mayor's meeting next week.

Discussed purchasing a used ten year old backhoe with approximately 2,800 hours from the City of Carthage. Their asking price is \$21,000. A motion was made by Gold, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Newberry to offer the City of Carthage \$21,000 for their used backhoe. Gold, Newberry, and Higgins AYE. Ellison and Northup ABSENT.

Chris Classen reported that he has gotten the sewer pump at the old sewer plant repaired and he has installed a new timer on a vent fan. He also reported that a break in a water line was repaired this week, and he is still working on getting some manhole lids sealed.

Harold Northup arrived at 5:55 P.M.

Discussed a stool for the restroom at the boat docks. A motion was made by Gold, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Newberry to set a \$500 spending limit for a stool for the restroom at the boat docks. Gold, Newberry, and Northup AYE. Ellison ABSENT.

Discussed a tractor blade that the city no longer uses. There has been a gentleman express an interest in purchasing it. It was decided to pursue this and contact the gentleman to see what he would be willing to pay for the blade.

Discussed the city police car. It appears that it is in need of new tires. It was decided to get the tires replaced on the police car.

Discussed having city wide clean-up days in May. Mayor Higgins has contacted Jackson Disposal about availability of dumpsters. It was decided to set May 13, 14, and 15, 2010, for city wide clean-up days.

Discussed making a donation to the Dallas Elementary School PTO for their Penny Carnival. A motion was made by Newberry, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Northup to donate \$300 to the Dallas Elementary School PTO. Gold, Newberry, and Northup AYE. Ellison ABSENT.

Discussed a proposal from Land & Water Vegetation Control for the spraying of weeds and other vegetation control around city property. The proposed cost for around the cemetery, along Oak Street, Third Street, and around the bridges on First Street is \$341. The proposed cost for around the sewer lagoon is \$267. A motion was made by Gold, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Newberry to accept both proposals from Land & Water Vegetation Control for a total of \$608. Gold, Newberry, and Northup AYE. Ellison ABSENT.

Discussed nuisance ordinance violators.

Discussed getting a computer and a network card for the police car. It was decided to purchase a computer and network card for the police car.

It was reported that the Kids Fishing Tournament in Dallas City will be held June 19, 2010. A motion was made by Gold, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Newberry to donate \$300 to the Illinois Junior Fishing Association for the tournament in Dallas City. Gold, Newberry, and Northup AYE. Ellison ABSENT.

A motion was made by Gold, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Newberry to adjourn the meeting. Gold, Newberry, and Northup AYE. Ellison ABSENT.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:35 P.M.

Steven K Vorhies, City Clerk