

The Dallas City City Council held its regular meeting on May 8, 2008, at 5:30 P.M. Mayor Higgins called the meeting to order with the following commissioners present: Jason Gold, Esther Newberry, and Harold Northup. Joyce Ellison was absent.

Others attending the meeting were John Hauk, Chris Classen, and Jim Melton and members of the local Boy Scout Troop #51.

A motion was made by Newberry, and 2nd by Gold to accept the minutes of the April 24, 2008, meeting. Gold, Newberry, and Northup AYE. Ellison ABSENT.

Joyce Ellison arrived at 5:35 P.M.

A motion was made by Newberry, and 2nd by Northup to pay bills. Ellison, Gold, Newberry, and Northup AYE.

Jim Melton informed the Council that the members of Boy Scout Troop #51 that were in attendance were there to meet a scouting requirement. He also let the Council know that two members of Troop #51, Zachary Smith and Jake Vass, are receiving their Eagle Scout awards. The Council would like to congratulate these two young men on their earning of this award.

Chris Classen reported that there does not appear to be any problems resulting from the recent high water. He did report that the flood control structure on the lift station by the elevator does need to be worked on. The shoring equipment has arrived.

Mayor Higgins and the City Council would like to extend a "THANK YOU" to the city employees for all of their efforts during the recent flooding.

It was reported that a car ran into the fence at the sewer lagoon. The driver was insured. Chris Classen is working on getting an estimate for the repair of the fence.

Fort Madison Bank & Trust has requested that Oak Street from Third Street to the alley north of Third Street be closed on May 16, 2008, for their Customer Appreciation Day. A motion was made by Northup, and 2nd by Gold to allow this closure of Oak Street on May 16, 2008, from 8 A.M. to 3 P.M. Ellison, Gold, Newberry, and Northup AYE.

It was reported that the City Clean-Up Days went very well.

A motion was made by Northup, and 2nd by Gold to donate \$300 to the Illinois Junior Fishing Association for the John Shoemate Memorial Scholarship Fishing Tournament. Ellison, Gold, Newberry, and Northup AYE.

A motion was made by Newberry, and 2nd by Gold to set up an account for the Dallas City Outdoorsman Exposition. Ellison, Gold, Newberry, and Northup AYE.

A motion was made by Newberry, and 2nd by Gold to have Colusa Elevator shown as an additional insured for the use of their lot for the Outdoorsman Exposition on August 23-24, 2008. Ellison, Gold, Newberry, and Northup AYE.

The City Council would like to congratulate the members of the Dallas City/La Harpe Junior High

track team that are participating in the IESA State track meet on May 9-10.

A motion was made by Gold, and 2nd by Northup to enter executive session for the purpose of discussing properties in town and the legality of the disposal of city personal property. Ellison, Gold, Newberry, and Northup AYE.

The meeting entered executive session at 6:23 P.M.

The meeting re-entered regular session at 6:37 P.M.

A motion was made by Newberry, and 2nd by Gold to have the city attorney contact the owner of the property at 392 East Third Street in regards to its being in violation of the city's nuisance ordinance. Ellison, Gold, Newberry, and Northup AYE.

A motion was made by Northup, and 2nd by Newberry to retain the services of Capps, Ancelet, Clark, and Rasmussen as city attorney for the 2008-2009 fiscal year. Ellison, Gold, Newberry, and Northup AYE.

A motion was made by Newberry, and 2nd by Gold to hold the City Council meetings on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month at 5:30 P.M. at the Dallas City Senior Citizens Center. Ellison, Gold, Newberry, and Northup AYE.

A motion was made by Northup, and 2nd by Gold to pass, in tentative form, Ordinance #578, Ordinance for Appropriations for the May 1, 2008, to April 30, 2009, fiscal year. Ellison, Gold, Newberry, and Northup AYE.

A motion was made by Northup, and 2nd by Gold to pass Ordinance #579, Authorizing the Sale of a Ford F-150 pickup. Ellison, Gold, Newberry, and Northup AYE.

Mayor Higgins informed the Council that she has addressed a local business owner about a noise problem, and the business owner is willing to try to find a solution to the problem.

A motion was made by Northup, and 2nd by Newberry to adjourn the meeting. Ellison, Gold, Newberry, and Northup AYE.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 P.M.

Steven K Vorhies, City Clerk