

The Dallas City Council held its regular meeting on March 10, 2011, at 5:30 P.M. Mayor Higgins called the meeting to order with the following commissioners present: Joyce Ellison, Esther Newberry, and Harold Northup. Jason Gold was absent.

Others attending the meeting were Rod Clark and Chris Classen.

A motion was made by Newberry, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Northup to accept the minutes of the February 24, 2011, meeting. Ellison, Newberry, and Northup AYE. Gold ABSENT.

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

It was reported that Computing Made Easy will be at the city clerk's office next Monday to install the new computer server.

The transmission in the city's F250 truck needs replaced. An estimate has been received from Melton's Automotive for \$2324.26. A motion was made by Northup, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ellison to purchase the transmission for the F250 for the estimated cost of \$2324.26 from Melton's Automotive. Ellison, Newberry, and Northup AYE. Gold ABSENT.

Chris Classen reported that he has replaced the pump in the lift station on East First Street by the pond and installed stainless steel chains in the lift station. He has not heard anything new from Klingner & Associates in regards to the new water main projects.

Discussed the sand bags we have left over from the previous flood. They appear to be not usable. It was decided to check on getting new sand bags since flooding is predicted for our area this spring.

Mayor Higgins attended the Village of Lomax's recent council meeting. She presented them with the City of Dallas City's proposal for providing their village police protection. The Village of Lomax has agreed to the terms that were presented to them, including a monthly fee of \$2300.

Discussed hiring an additional police officer. This will be discussed more at the next meeting.

Discussed vacating the portion of East Fifth Street east of Maple Street. A motion was made by Northup, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ellison to pass Ordinance #596 vacating East Fifth Street east of Maple Street, contingent on all the landowners affected by the vacating signing the ordinance before Mayor Higgins signs it. Ellison, Newberry, and Northup AYE. Gold ABSENT.

The city attorney informed the council that RJMP, LLC, has deeded its property on Oak Street to the City of Dallas City.

Discussed getting bids for mowing the city cemetery. Bids will be opened at the April 14, 2011, meeting.

The annual kids fishing tournament will be held in Dallas City on June 11, 2011.

The Sons of the American Legion Gittings-Sandine Squadron 297 in Dallas City is planning a commemorative ceremony this fall for the September 11 commemoration. They are asking for donations to purchase flags and other items. The council will discuss making a donation to this at the

next meeting.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 P.M.

Steven K Vorhies, City Clerk