

The Dallas City City Council held its regular meeting on November 16, 2011, at 6:00 P.M. Mayor Higgins called the meeting to order with the following commissioners present: Esther Newberry, Harold Northup, Tom Schaefer, and Bob Weese.

There were no others in attendance.

A motion was made by Weese, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Newberry to accept the minutes of the November 10, 2011, meeting. Newberry, Northup, Schaefer, and Weese AYE.

Discussed the water main replacement project. It was reported that the asphalt work that is going to be done this fall is scheduled to be completed next week. There have been a few complaints from residents that their phone service has been disrupted due to the contractor hitting some buried phone lines.

The city clerk reported that Brad Lanier from Klingner & Associates has not contacted him in regards to the pay request #3 from K & N Excavating, and therefore, he has not sent out the payment for the pay request yet.

Discussed the proposed renewal contract with TEST Inc. The current contract expires on December 31, 2011. It is a five year contract with an annual increase in compensation of 3 ½%. A motion was made by Schaefer, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Northup to approve the contract with TEST Inc. for 5 years with a 3 ½% annual increase in compensation effective January 1, 2012. Newberry, Northup, Schaefer, and Weese AYE.

Discussed the property at 387 Oak Street. The contractor has notified Mayor Higgins that they are planning on resuming work on the building next week and hope to have it finished next week as well.

The city has received a letter from the LaMoine Valley A.B.A.T.E organization informing the council of their efforts and what they are planning on doing this Christmas season. A motion was made by Schaefer, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Weese to donate \$300 to the LaMoine Valley A.B.A.T.E. Newberry, Northup, Schaefer, and Weese AYE.

Discussed Christmas bonuses for the city employees. This will be discussed more at the next meeting.

Discussed the various signs honoring individual and team accomplishments of local residents that will be coming down or have already come down, and possibly giving them to these residents. Also, discussed putting up signs recognizing those residents who have received various honors. This will be discussed more at the next meeting.

Discussed a property that is in violation of the nuisance ordinance. It was reported that the property owner has been issued a citation and the court date is scheduled for some time in December.

It was reported that the brakes in the city's pickup truck need to be repaired.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 P.M.

Steven K Vorhies, City Clerk