

The Dallas City Council held its regular meeting on January 26, 2012, at 6 p.m. Mayor Higgins called the meeting to order with the following commissioners present: Esther Newberry, Tom Schaefer, and Bob Weese. Harold Northup was absent.

Others attending the meeting were Chris Classen.

A motion was made by Weese, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Schaefer to accept the minutes of the January 12, 2012, meeting. Newberry, Schaefer, and Weese AYE. Northup ABSENT.

Harold Northup arrived at 6:05 p.m.

Discussed a request from the Illini West After-Prom Committee for a donation. A motion was made by Newberry, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Schaefer to donate \$300 to the Illini West After-Prom Committee. Newberry, Northup, Schaefer, and Weese AYE.

Discussed a letter from the City Attorney in regards to Ordinance #603 for the hiring standards of part-time police officers that was passed at the December 8, 2011, meeting. The city attorney submitted this ordinance to the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board, and they have notified the city attorney that this ordinance needs to be modified in order to meet all of the statutory requirements. The city attorney has since drawn up a new ordinance to meet these statutory requirements.

A motion was made by Schaefer, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Weese to void Ordinance #603 that was passed on December 8, 2011. Newberry, Northup, Schaefer, and Weese AYE.

A motion was made by Schaefer, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Newberry to approve Ordinance #604, Adopting Hiring Standards For Part Time Police Officers, that replaces the voided Ordinance #603. Newberry, Northup, Schaefer, and Weese AYE.

Discussed an intergovernmental agreement with the Dallas Rural Fire Protection District that would allow both entities to use certain pieces of equipment of the other entity. A motion was made by Schaefer, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Newberry to approve the intergovernmental agreement with the Dallas Rural Fire Protection District as drawn up by the city attorney and to authorize the city attorney to present it to the Dallas Rural Fire Protection District for their approval. Newberry, Northup, Schaefer, and Weese AYE.

Discussed allowing holders of Class A-1 liquor licenses to extend their hours for Super Bowl Sunday on February 5, 2012. A motion was made by Newberry, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Schaefer to allow Class A-1 liquor license holders to remain open an additional hour until 11 p.m. on Sunday, February 5, 2012. Newberry, Northup, Schaefer, and Weese AYE.

Discussed a letter received from Salvador Garza, Mayor of the City of Galesburg, requesting that the city provide a letter of support to the City of Galesburg for the purpose of attracting Caterpillar Inc. to the Galesburg, Illinois, area for the building of a new manufacturing plant. A motion was made by Newberry, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Weese to have the city clerk write a letter of support for the City of Galesburg. Newberry, Northup, Schaefer, and Weese AYE.

Discussed the police station/city hall building. Max Faul is planning on doing the necessary plumbing work this week. The phone jacks are working. Office furniture is being moved into the building. A new computer, printer, and fax machine have been ordered from Computing Made Easy for \$1048.98.

It was reported that the new city truck/snowplow has arrived. The final cost of the truck/snowplow was \$57796.39. Discussed putting lettering on the new truck/snowplow. It was decided to get bids for the lettering.

Discussed the old city truck/snowplow. A motion was made by Northup, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Schaefer to sell the truck/snowplow by sealed bid and to open bids at the April 12, 2012, meeting. Newberry, Northup, Schaefer, and Weese AYE.

Chris Classen has received a proposal from Badger Meters for replacing the current analog water meters with radio read water meters. The total estimated cost is \$79240 and includes the starter package, 100 new radio read water meters, and 100 more new radio read water meters in each of the next four years. This estimate does not include the cost of extra labor for the installation of the new meters.

A motion was made by Schaefer, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Newberry to adopt Badger Meters' proposal over a five year period. Newberry, Northup, Schaefer, and Weese AYE.

Chris Classen has spoken to Tom Maynard about the scrap metal in the old water plant. They are estimating that there is approximately 7 ½ ton of scrap metal in the old water plant. Tom has indicated that he would be interested in doing the work.

Chris Classen reported that he has been welding clamps in the lift station at the elevator. He has also changed the starter in the city's blue truck that was under warranty. The white truck has also needed some repairs recently. He also reported that he has been working on calculating the acreage of the wetlands area for seeding this spring.

Discussed the fiscal years budget figures and the actual expenses so far for the current fiscal year.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Steven K Vorhies, City Clerk