

The Dallas City Council held its regular meeting on June 28, 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 Eric Icenogle, Stanley Markam, C.J. Kentch, Chris Classen, and Dennis Hilliard.

A motion was made by Weese, and 2nd by Schaefer to accept the minutes of the June 14, 2012, meeting. Newberry, Schaefer, and Weese AYE. Northup ABSENT.

Stanley Markam and C.J. Kentch appeared regarding possibly getting water service to Mr. Markam's property in the Willow Beach area. Mayor Higgins reported that she had met with the city attorney and has done research in regards to what was done between 2001 and 2004 when the property owners were considering putting in a water line in this area. She discussed what actions took place during this time span regarding the installation of this water line. It was reported that the necessary easements were never signed by the parties involved, and therefore, the water line has never been put in. Mayor Higgins informed Mr. Markam that the process will have to start over and an easement will have to be signed by all property owners involved in order for a water line to be installed.

Discussed the police contract with the Village of Lomax. The Village of Lomax has signed the proposed contract. A motion was made by Schaefer, and 2nd by Newberry to sign the proposed twelve month contract, beginning May 1, 2012, with the Village of Lomax to provide 14 hours of police protection per week at a rate of \$2415 per month. Newberry, Schaefer, and Weese AYE. Northup ABSENT.

It was reported that the work on the bathroom and the wiring in the kitchen at the police station/city hall building has been completed. The trim work and lights are still being worked on.

Chris Classen reported that the line from the sewer lagoon to the wetlands area has been completed to the point where water is now able to flow from the lagoon into the wetlands area. He has mowed and sprayed the wetlands area. He has replaced a broken air line in the lift station by the elevator. He also has re-adjusted the water salesman so that customers receive the correct amount of water.

Dennis Hilliard reported that he has checked with Ed Parker's references. All the reports he has gotten back have been good, and it appears that he would be an acceptable candidate as a part-time police officer.

Since there were no protest submitted to the tentative appropriation ordinance at the public hearing held before the regular meeting, a motion was made by Newberry, and 2nd by Weese to pass Ordinance #605, Ordinance for Appropriations for the May 1, 2012, to April 30, 2013, fiscal year. Newberry, Schaefer, and Weese AYE. Northup ABSENT.

Discussed a problem with the alley between West Fourth Street and West Fifth Street between Pine Street and Sycamore Street. This will be looked into by the council and city employee to see if the city has the equipment needed to solve this problem or if someone, who has the needed equipment, needs to be hired.

Discussed city employee wages. This will be discussed more at the next meeting.

Discussed hiring a part-time police officer. A motion was made by Schaefer, and 2nd by Weese to offer the position of part-time police officer to Ed Parker on a one month trial basis at the rate of \$12 per hour. Newberry, Schaefer, and Weese AYE. Northup ABSENT.

A motion was made by Weese, and 2nd by Newberry to adjourn the meeting. Newberry, Schaefer, and Weese AYE. Northup ABSENT.

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

Steven K Vorhies, City Clerk