The Dallas City Council held its regular meeting on February 28, 2013, at 6 p.m. Mayor Higgins called the meeting to order with the following commissioners present: Esther Newberry, Harold Northup, and Tom Schaefer. Bob Weese was absent.

Others attending the meeting were Chris Classen.

A motion was made by Newberry, and 2nd by Schaefer to accept the minutes of the February 14, 2013, meeting. Newberry, Northup, and Schaefer AYE. Weese ABSENT.

Bob Weese arrived at 6:02 p.m.

It was reported that the police pickup has been repaired.

Discussed Ed Parker's schooling in April. The State of Illinois is to reimburse the city 50% of the cost of the schooling.

Discussed the two proposals that the city attorney has drawn up for an ordinance regarding the planting of trees and shrubbery along city streets.

Discussed making a donation to Connie Siemens for the Easter Egg Hunt. A motion was made by Schaefer, and 2nd by Northup to donate \$150 to Connie Siemens for the Easter Egg Hunt. Newberry, Northup, Schaefer, and Weese AYE.

Chris Classen reported that he has collected water samples for lead testing and all of the tests have come back negative. The Sycamore Street lift station had a contactor that had to be replaced.

Kligner and Associates has notified Mayor Higgins that bids for the next water main replacement project will be opened on March 28, 2013.

Discussed an option for a communication process that could be used instead of a storm siren. Discussed Group Cast which would send messages to residents via a phone call or text message. Commissioner Northup will contact Group Cast and get more information.

Discussed the snow removal process.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Steven K Vorhies, City Clerk