

The Dallas City Council held its regular meeting on September 12, 2013, 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 Dennis Hilliard, Chris Classen, Dave Monti, John Stimpson, Kerry Stevens, and Chris Northup.

A motion was made by Weese, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Newberry to accept the minutes of the August 22, 2013, meeting. Newberry, Schaefer, and Weese AYE. Northup ABSENT.

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

John Stimpson, Kerry Stevens, and Chris Northup appeared on behalf of the Riverview Sportsmen. Mr. Stimpson presented the council with an update on the work that they have done on the driveway at the Wetlands area, as well as their future plans to finish updating the area. The Riverview Sportsmen have so far spent over \$10,000 towards this project, and they requested that the council would consider possibly helping with the remaining expenses.

A motion was made by Schaefer, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Weese to pay up to \$2,000 for the additional gravel needed at the Wetlands area. Newberry, Schaefer, and Weese AYE. Northup ABSENT.

Discussed sandblasting and painting the city's 150,000 gallon water tank. The city has received a bid from Central Tank Coatings, Inc. to clean and paint the exterior of the water tank for \$7,500. A motion was made by Newberry, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Schaefer to accept the bid of \$7,500 from Central Tank Coatings, Inc. to clean and paint the exterior of the water tank. Newberry, Schaefer, and Weese AYE. Northup ABSENT.

Chris Classen reported that a water main break on West Third Street was repaired. The State of Illinois has informed the city employees that if there is ever another water break along a state highway there needs to be someone at the site helping direct traffic. Discussed another water break on West First Street west of Sycamore Street and possibly replacing this water main.

Discussed the East Fourth Street water main project. The contractor is currently working on the individual hook-ups.

Dave Monti informed the council that the residents on East Fifth Street are planning a 2<sup>nd</sup> annual block party on September 28, 2013, and he requested that a portion of East Fifth Street be closed for the party. A motion was made by Schaefer, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Newberry to close East Fifth Street from Elm Street to Linn Street on September 28, 2013, from 5 p.m. to 11 p.m. Newberry, Schaefer, and Weese AYE. Northup ABSENT.

Discussed having Fall Clean-Up Days. Mayor Higgins will contact Jackson Disposal to see what dates they are available. This will be discussed more at the next meeting.

The Council would like to congratulate Dallas City resident, Captain Brian Shipman, on his appointment as Commodore of the USS Dewey.

Commissioner Weese and Mayor Higgins are planning on attending a meeting at Macomb regarding

state tax distributions.

Repairs and new lettering on the police truck has been completed. It was decided to get a bid for running boards and a brush guard for the police truck.

Police Chief Hilliard is working on nuisance ordinance violators.

The city has received the title on a confiscated vehicle that they were awarded.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Steven K Vorhies, City Clerk