

The Dallas City City Council held its regular meeting on March 13, 2014, at 6 p.m. Mayor Higgins called the meeting to order with the following commissioners present: Esther Newberry, Harold Northup, and Bob Weese. Tom Schaefer was absent.

Others attending the meeting were Molly McDowell, Greg Hillis, Chris Classen, and Dennis Hilliard.

A motion was made by Weese, and 2nd by Newberry to accept the minutes of the February 27, 2014, meeting. Newberry, Northup, and Weese AYE. Schaefer ABSENT.

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

Molly McDowell appeared on behalf of the Dallas City PTO. They are holding their annual Penny Carnival and fish fry fundraiser on April 4, 2014, and Mrs. McDowell asked the council to consider making a donation to help offset their costs of this fundraiser. A motion was made by Northup, and 2nd by Weese to donate \$350 to the Dallas City PTO. Newberry, Northup, and Weese AYE. Schaefer ABSENT.

Discussed the pickup that the city has gained possession of from a forfeiture. Commissioner Northup is going to try to find out an approximate value of the pickup.

Greg Hillis from Benton & Associates appeared regarding the proposal for the demolition of the old water plant and re-purposing. He suggested going ahead and getting the asbestos and lead abatement done. Chris Classen has contacted someone about doing this. Discussed some of the possible ideas for what the city is looking at building at this location after the current building is removed.

Chris Classen reported that there had been a leak in the water tank due to ice inside the tank breaking the interior ladder off of the side of the tank. Central Tank Coatings, Inc., has come and repaired the water tank. There was also a water main break last week at the Senior Housing Authority in the west end of town. This has been repaired as well. He also reported that when he was working on repairing a lift station pump, the slide rails broke. He is planning on replacing the slide rails in all of the lift stations.

Discussed leaving the door open at the old police station. Police Chief Hilliard reported that this is done occasionally to try and help dry out the building.

Harold Northup left the meeting at 6:47 p.m.

Discussed a manhole cover on Cherry Street that needs some maintenance.

Discussed the recycling bin. The man who empties the bin has been having some health problems and vehicle problems. This is why it has not been emptied recently.

Discussed the city police officers serving non-court ordered notices to residents. The council informed Police Chief Hilliard that they feel that this is not something that they want our police officers doing.

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

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

Steven K Vorhies, City Clerk