

The Dallas City City Council held its regular meeting on June 26, 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 Doug Erickson, Eric Icenogle, Chris Classen, and Ed Parker.

A motion was made by Weese, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Newberry to accept the minutes of the June 12, 2014, meeting. Newberry, Northup, and Weese AYE. Schaefer ABSENT.

Tom Schaefer arrived at 6:02 p.m.

Doug Erickson discussed the demolition of the old water plant and putting up a new 12' X 12' storage building to house the water salesman. He is estimating that it will take approximately 90 days to complete the project, and therefore, the water salesman would have to be out of service for approximately 90 days as well. Doug will meet with Mayor Higgins and Chris Classen July 2, 2014, to finalize the specifications of the new building. A motion was made by Schaefer, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Northup to authorize Benton & Associates to proceed with the letting of bids for the demolition of the old water plant and replacing it with a 12' X 12' storage building to house the water salesman after the July 2, 2014, meeting to finalize the new building's specifications. Newberry, Northup, Schaefer, and Weese AYE.

Chris Classen reported that the maintenance work on the water tank has been completed. He will be filling the water tank at the end of next week and then taking water samples the following week. He is hoping to have it back in service approximately July 10. He has received two bids, and is waiting for a third one, to raise two lift stations. This will be discussed more at the next meeting. He reported that he has been working on flood proofing items in preparation of the upcoming flooding that is expected during the next few weeks. Fence lines have been sprayed. A water break on West Third Street has been repaired.

The Riverview Sportsmen have had a sign made for the Wetlands area, and they need a frame made for it. A motion was made by Schaefer, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Northup to pay ½ of the cost of making a frame for the sign at the Wetlands area. Newberry, Northup, Schaefer, and Weese AYE.

Mayor Higgins reported that Ike's is sponsoring a fun run on June 29, 2014, and that they have requested permission to start serving alcohol at 9 a.m. A motion was made by Schaefer, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Newberry to grant Ike's permission to start serving alcohol at 9 a.m. on June 29, 2014. Newberry, Northup, Schaefer, and Weese AYE.

It was reported that the city has never received the computer that was ordered from Computing Made Easy of Carthage in April. The city informed Computing Made Easy to cancel the order and refund the money. The money has been refunded.

A motion was made by Schaefer, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Newberry to purchase an Intel Pentium i5-33470 computer plus Microsoft Office Home & Business 2013 from J & S Electronics for \$1049. Newberry, Northup, Schaefer, and Weese AYE.

Discussed purchasing a new copier for the city hall/police station. A motion was made by Schaefer, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Weese to purchase a Samsung Color Copier, Fax, Scanner, and Printer unit from J & S Electronics for \$750. Newberry, Northup, Schaefer, and Weese AYE.

It was reported that the cameras have been installed in both police vehicles. Letters have been sent to three Hancock County residents and four Henderson County residents who are in violation of the city's nuisance ordinance notifying them that court dates have been set for them to appear.

The Police Chief attended a recent meeting of the Dallas Rural Fire Protection District and was informed that they have no problems with the city police department.

Discussed sponsoring a gentleman so that he can go online and take the preliminary classes that are needed to become a police officer. It was decided to ask the gentleman to meet with Mayor Higgins and Police Commissioner Schaefer, as well as attend the next city council meeting.

Police Officer Ed Parker reported that the siren control wiring in the police pickup needs to be repaired.

Discussed compensation and benefits of the city police officers.

Discussed the proposal from Dave Greenig regarding the selling of the D & D Construction building to the city. It was decided to look at the building and get an idea of what would have to be done to the building in order for it to be used for what the city needs.

The city attorney discussed the deed to transfer the property at 387 Oak Street over to the Dallas City Park District.

Discussed water shut offs and the shutting off of businesses for non-payment of their water bill.

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 7:15 p.m.

Steven K Vorhies, City Clerk