

The Dallas City City Council held its regular meeting on February 12, 2015, at 6 p.m. Mayor Higgins called the meeting to order with the following commissioners present: Esther Newberry, Harold Northup, Tom Schaefer, and Bob Weese.

Others attending the meeting were Doug Erickson and Chris Classen.

A motion was made by Weese, and 2nd by Schaefer to accept the minutes of the January 22, 2015, meeting. Newberry, Northup, Schaefer, and Weese AYE.

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

Doug Erickson discussed the bid proposal for the cleaning and CCTV inspection of the proposed sewer lines. The Advertisement For Proposals has been published in both county papers and sent to area contractors that Mr. Erickson thinks will be interested in submitting a bid. The bid letting for this project will be held on February 24 at 1 p.m.

Mr. Erickson is working on an engineering agreement and the necessary paperwork needed to obtain the permits that will be needed for the sewer lines project.

Discussed the paperwork that needs to be completed in order to obtain a \$25,000 Motor Fuel Tax Grant that is available to the city. Western Illinois Regional Council has informed the city that they will do all the necessary paperwork for this grant for a fee of \$500. A motion was made by Schaefer, and 2nd by Newberry to hire Western Illinois Regional Council to do the necessary paperwork needed to obtain the \$25,000 Motor Fuel Tax Grant for a fee of \$500. Newberry, Northup, Schaefer, and Weese AYE.

Mr. Erickson informed the council that a representative from the USDA Rural Development would like to meet with the council to discuss possible financial options they have to offer for the proposed sewer line project.

Discussed the recent public meeting that was held with the CBG Group Elevator representatives. They have informed the council that they have submitted a plan to their engineers and are hoping to have something back from the engineers in March. If the project is done, the city will have Benton & Associates look at the necessary work that the city will be required to do on the streets, fire hydrants, etc.

Chris Classen reported that he is planning on going around town this summer and recording the locations of things like curb stands and meter pits.

It was reported that a warning strobe light has been installed on the city's F150 pickup.

Discussed a recent situation in which a resident was bitten by a loose dog while she was walking along a city street. The dog owner has been notified and will be issued a citation for allowing the dog to run at large.

Police Commissioner Schaefer reported that Police Chief Hilliard has been very impressed with the work of the police officer candidate who has been working during the month of February.

The city attorney has notified the council that a Default Judgment has been entered against the property owner of the old high school building.

Discussed a request from the Illini West High School Post Prom Committee for a donation. A motion was made by Northup, and 2nd by Schaefer to donate \$325 to the Illini West High School Post Prom Committee. Newberry, Northup, Schaefer, and Weese AYE.

Discussed Police Chief Dennis Hilliard's salary. A motion was made by Schaefer, and 2nd by Northup to make Police Chief Hilliard's salary \$23,100, effective February 1, 2015. Newberry, Northup, Schaefer, and Weese AYE.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Steven K Vorhies, City Clerk