

The Dallas City Council held its regular meeting on April 9, 2015, at 6 p.m. Mayor Higgins called the meeting to order with the following commissioners present: Esther Newberry and Bob Weese. Harold Northup and Tom Schaefer were absent.

Others attending the meeting were Eric Icenogle, Bonnie Gittings, Shawn Lain, and Colton Smith.

A motion was made by Weese, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Newberry to accept the minutes of the March 26, 2015, meeting. Newberry, Weese, and Higgins AYE. Northup and Schaefer ABSENT.

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

Discussed a property in town that is in violation of the nuisance ordinance. The city attorney informed the council that the owner of the property has failed to show up for his court date regarding the ordinance violation.

It was reported that Shawn Lain has aerated and fertilized the grass at the city cemetery. He presented the council with his bill for \$1050. The bill consisted of \$600 for the fertilizer and labor to fertilize the grass that was approved at the previous meeting and \$450 for aerating the grass. A motion was made by Weese, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Newberry to pay Shawn Lain \$1050 for the labor to aerate and fertilize the grass at the city cemetery and the cost of the fertilizer. Newberry, Weese, and Higgins AYE. Northup and Schaefer ABSENT.

It was reported that Hydro-Vision Technology has done the cleaning and CCTV inspection of the proposed sewer lines. Doug Erickson should have a report for the city at the next council meeting.

Mayor Higgins reported that she and the city engineer recently met with representatives of CGB Group Elevator regarding the elevator's proposed project and the necessary work that will have to be done to the city's water and sewer lines and the city's streets in order for the proposed project to be done. CGB Group Elevator is planning on hosting another Community Meeting with its representatives for the residents of Dallas City on April 21, 2015, at 6 p.m. at the Dallas City Township Building.

Discussed the electrical work on the two lift stations on East First Street that Max Faul is suppose to be completing. He has informed Mayor Higgins that he plans on having this work completed by the end of this month.

Discussed a benefit plan for the city's full-time employees. This will be discussed more at the next meeting.

City Spring Clean-Up Days will be held on May 7, 8, 9, and 10, at the old stockyards next to the recycling bin off of Sycamore Street.

Colton Smith reported that he is working on getting the necessary uniforms and equipment that he needs. He is also working on making up reports to inform the council what the city's police officers are doing.

Eric Icenogle reported on a court case involving a citizen being bitten by a dog. The owner of the dog was ordered to pay restitution of \$159. The check for \$159 was issued to the city. A motion was made by Newberry, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Weese to pay restitution in the amount of \$159 to the victim, Bonnie Gittings,

for Hancock County Case #15-0V-1. Newberry, Weese, and Higgins AYE. Northup and Schaefer ABSENT.

Discussed the old high school building. The city attorney informed the council that the city is not liable if someone trespasses onto the property and is injured.

Discussed the city's water/sewer billing software system. Softline Data Inc. is offering a 3 year renewal of support for the same price per year that the city paid last year plus a 15% cash discount. A motion was made by Newberry, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Weese to renew the city's water/sewer billing software support agreement with Softline Data Inc. for 3 years for \$1007.25. Newberry, Weese, and Higgins AYE. Northup and Schaefer ABSENT.

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

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

Steven K Vorhies, City Clerk