

The Dallas City Council held its regular meeting on July 22, 2015, at 5 p.m. Mayor Kevin Six called the meeting to order with the following commissioners present: Lila Gittings, Esther Newberry, and Harold Northup Jr.

Others attending the meeting were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Harper, Sally Luder, Josh Kinman, Brian McEntee, Dustin Berg, Eric Icenogle, and Chris Classen.

A motion was made by Gittings, and 2nd by Newberry to accept the minutes of the July 8, 2015, meeting. Gittings, Newberry, and Northup AYE.

Charles Harper discussed the vacating of East Fifth Street east of Maple Street. The city attorney informed Mr. Harper that the city's standing is the same as it has always been. Unless all property owners that are adjacent to the street that is being proposed to be vacated sign off, the street will not be vacated.

Josh Kinman discussed a tree by his house that appears to be on city property and needs to be removed. Mr. Kinman's brother-in-law, Brian McEntee, does tree removal work and is insured to do this type of work. A motion was made by Newberry, and 2nd by Northup to hire Brian McEntee to remove the tree. Gittings, Newberry, and Northup AYE.

Dustin Berg, Executive Director of the Hancock County Economic Development Corporation, gave the council a report on the projects that they have been working on. He also discussed some of their future projects, including an entrepreneurship project with Hancock County high school students.

Chris Classen reported that Max Faul has completed the work of raising the lift station by the pond on East First Street. He is still working on the other lift station. He reported that he had to repair a pump in a lift station, and it appears that some of the other pumps in the lift stations need some maintenance work done on them. Donald Scanlan has installed the culvert under West First Street.

Discussed culverts in town and the need to either un-plug or replace some of them.

Discussed trying to find someone to take over doing the recycling bin.

Discussed trains going thru town. Mayor Six has tried calling people regarding this, but he has not been able to get anyone to return his phone calls.

Mayor Six reported that he is going to be meeting with a representative from the State regarding the "Safe Route to Schools" project.

The city engineer has informed Mayor Six that both sewer grants have been submitted.

Members of the Dallas City Fire Department recently washed down Oak Street. The council would like to "THANK" the fire department for doing this for the city. The city employee has also gotten the lines painted on Oak Street.

It was reported that both Hancock and Henderson Counties have agreed to supply a deputy for traffic control during the City Celebration's parade on July 25.

Bill Dunn has contacted Mayor Six about having the city sponsor a circus that may be coming to town in September. While the council has no objection to a circus performance in town, they do not feel that the City should be the ones who sponsor it.

Discussed paying the mayor and council members more than twice a year. It was decided to leave it as is and pay them twice a year.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Steven K Vorhies, City Clerk