

The Dallas City City Council held its regular meeting on January 13, 2016, at 5 p.m. Mayor Kevin Six called the meeting to order with the following commissioners present: Lila Gittings, Esther Newberry, Harold Northup Jr., and Greg Olson.

Others attending the meeting were Ron Frericks, Mike Peters, Doug Erickson, Chris Classen, and Eric Icenogle.

A motion was made by Newberry, and 2nd by Olson to accept the minutes of the December 23, 2015, meeting. Gittings, Newberry, and Olson AYE. Northup ABSTAIN.

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

Ron Frericks of QFB Energy appeared regarding the city's electricity contract. The previous contract with Energy.ME expired in June 2015. He presented the council with proposals from four different companies:

<u>Supplier</u>	<u>Term & Price</u>		
Nordic Energy	12 month \$0.05861	24 month \$0.05991	36 month \$0.06132
Energy.ME	12 month \$0.06080	24 month \$0.06290	36 month \$0.06705
Direct Energy	12 month \$0.06280	24 month \$0.06463	36 month \$0.06593
AEP Energy	12 month \$0.05988	24 month \$0.06095	36 month \$0.06258

A motion was made by Gittings, and 2nd by Newberry to sign an agreement with Nordic Energy for 36 months at the rate of \$0.06132 per kilowatt hour starting in February 2016. Gittings, Newberry, Northup, and Olson AYE.

Mike Peters appeared on behalf of the Village of Lomax regarding the police contract between the Village of Lomax and the City of Dallas City. It appears that the Village of Lomax has not been receiving the total number of hours of police service that they are to be receiving. A motion was made by Olson, and 2nd by Northup to compensate the Village of Lomax for the hours of police service that they have not received by not charging them for police service until their banked hours have been used. Gittings, Newberry, Northup, and Olson AYE.

Doug Erickson reported that he and Mayor Six recently met with a representative of the USDA Rural Development regarding a possible grant for a new storm siren and one for a community center. They currently offer up to \$25,000 at 3 1/8% for a 20 year grant. However, the USDA is currently not accepting full applications, but the city could go ahead and do the pre-application work.

A motion was made by Newberry, and 2nd by Olson to pay Benton & Associates \$1,791.90 for the final payment for engineering services on the old water plant demolition/water salesman project. Gittings,

Newberry, Northup, and Olson AYE.

Chris Classen reported that they dug up the sewer line at 87 West First Street due to an apparent problem. However, the problem was not with the city's sewer line. He presented the council with a copy of another city's ordinance regarding the disconnection of water and sewer services in town and the capping of abandoned lines. The city attorney will work on drawing up a city ordinance for this.

Discussed the city's fire hydrants.

Discussed properties that appear like they could be in violation of the city's nuisance ordinance. It was determined that there are not currently any properties that the city needs to take action against.

Discussed the city's Christmas lights. A motion was made by Newberry, and 2nd by Olson to transfer \$5,000 from the General Fund to the Beautification Fund for the purpose of purchasing new Christmas lights for the city. Gittings, Newberry, Northup, and Olson AYE.

The Motor Fuel Tax Letting was held on January 8, 2016. W.L. Miller Company submitted the only bid for \$33,304.50 to do the proposed street work. Gray Quarries Inc. submitted the only bid of \$82.50 per ton for bituminous material (patch). A motion was made by Northup, and 2nd by Olson to accept the bids from W.L. Miller Company and Gray Quarries Inc. Gittings, Newberry, Northup, and Olson AYE.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Steven K Vorhies, City Clerk