

The Dallas City Council held its regular meeting on August 14, 2008, at 5:30 P.M. Mayor Higgins called the meeting to order with the following commissioners present: Joyce Ellison, Jason Gold, and Esther Newberry. Harold Northup was absent.

Others attending the meeting were Chuck Leake, Rod Clark, and Chris Classen.

It was noted that the minutes from the July 24 meeting should be corrected to read that the property that Keith Durand appeared regarding will be discussed more with the city attorney after the civil litigation is completed and that Keith Durand requested that there be no conflict of interest with the two parties involved.

A motion was made by Newberry, and 2nd by Gold to accept the minutes of the July 24, 2008, meeting, with the above correction. Ellison, Gold, and Newberry AYE. Northup ABSENT.

A motion was made by Ellison, and 2nd by Gold to accept the minutes of the August 7, 2008, special meeting. Ellison, Gold, and Newberry AYE. Northup ABSENT.

A motion was made by Gold, and 2nd by Newberry to pay bills. Ellison, Gold, and Newberry AYE. Northup ABSENT.

Discussed the city website and charging businesses located outside the city limits \$25.

A motion was made by Gold, and 2nd by Ellison to allow any business with a Dallas City address to be on the city's website free of charge and charge a business without a Dallas City address \$25. Ellison, Gold, and Newberry AYE. Northup ABSENT.

Discussed the flood clean-up. The City is scheduled to meet with a FEMA representative on August 15, 2008.

The Looking For Lincoln Project has arrived.

Members of our "Sister City", Beecher, Illinois, will be here August 16 to present us a substantial donation to be used to help offset our cost of the recent flood.

Chuck Leake appeared regarding the vacating of East 5th Street east of Maple Street. The city attorney is working on this so that all the parties affected will be satisfied.

Chris Classen reported that most of the flood repairs have been completed. A new water line has been installed across the creek on East 1st Street. He has done samples on the water line on East 3rd Street at the east edge of town, and it appears this water line needs to be replaced. The city attorney suggested contacting an engineering firm to check this out. A motion was made by Newberry, and 2nd by Gold to contact Klingner Engineering to take care of this. Ellison, Gold, and Newberry AYE. Northup ABSENT.

Discussed a citizens ride-along program with the city police. The city attorney made the council aware that this could cause a liability to the city.

The city attorney also advised the council that the sidewalk around the manhole at the Oriano property is the city's responsibility and should be repaired by the city.

Discussed the nuisance ordinance.

Harold Northup arrived at 6:45 P.M.

A motion was made by Gold, and 2nd by Newberry to enter executive session for the purpose of discussing property in town. Ellison, Gold, Newberry, and Northup AYE.

The meeting entered executive session at 6:46 P.M.

The meeting re-entered regular session at 7:01 P.M.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 7:02 P.M.

Steven K Vorhies, City Clerk