

The Dallas City Council held its regular meeting on October 26, 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 Chris Classen and Eric Icenogle.

A motion was made by Newberry, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Olson to accept the minutes of the October 12, 2016, meeting. Gittings, Newberry, and Olson AYE. Northup ABSTAIN.

Chris Classen reported that a lift station pump needs to be rebuilt. The estimate to repair the pump is \$3,500. A motion was made by Northup, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Newberry to have the pump repaired at an estimated cost of \$3,500. Gittings, Newberry, Northup, and Olson AYE.

Chris also reported that he met with the engineers from Benton & Associates last week to go over the specifications of the design plans for the sewer project. Benton & Associates are working on getting things done so that bids can be let next spring.

It was reported that water shut offs were done this week.

Discussed residents that appear to be burning garbage.

Discussed a tree at East Fourth Street and Maple Street that appears may need to be trimmed or removed. It was decided to check around town to see if there are any other trees on city property that need to be addressed and then get a bid to do all the needed work.

Discussed dogs that are running at large.

Discussed where the city stands on getting the remaining manually read water meters replaced with new digitally read meters.

Discussed the city's message system. The city currently uses GroupCast at the cost of \$1,500 per year. The city has received a proposal from Softline Data Inc., which is the company that the city currently uses for their water/sewer billing system. Softline Data Inc.'s proposal is \$325 per year and would include 4,000 alerts. If additional alerts are needed, they can be purchased at the cost of \$50 per 1,000 alerts. A motion was made by Newberry, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Olson to switch the city's messaging system to Softline Data Inc. for \$325 per year and \$50 per 1,000 alerts in excess of 4,000 per year. Gittings, Newberry, Northup, and Olson AYE.

Discussed the city's insurance with the Illinois Municipal League Risk Management Association. If paid in full by November 23, 2016, there is a 1% discount and the premium for the 2017 calendar year would be \$30,255.39. A motion was made by Gittings, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Northup to renew the city's insurance with the Illinois Municipal League Risk Management Association and pay the premium in full by November 23, 2016, in order to receive the 1% discount. Gittings, Newberry, Northup, and Olson AYE.

Discussed getting new boat docks and ramps. A motion was made by Northup, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Newberry to advertise for bids for the purchasing of three (3) new boat docks and ramps. Bids will be opened at the November 23, 2016, meeting. Gittings, Newberry, Northup, and Olson AYE.

Discussed the city police department.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Steven K Vorhies, City Clerk