

The Dallas City Council held its regular meeting on January 11, 2017, 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 Anne Thompson, Doris Harman, Deana Ferrill, Chris Classen, and Eric Icenogle.

A motion was made by Olson, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Newberry to accept the minutes of the December 28, 2016, meeting. Gittings, Newberry, Northup, and Olson AYE.

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

Deana Ferrill informed the council that she and Jackie Wibbell have agreed to take over the annual Easter Egg Hunt for the local children. She asked the council if they would be willing to make a donation for this year's event. A motion was made by Gittings, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Northup to donate \$225 to Deana Ferrill for the 2017 Easter Egg Hunt. Gittings, Newberry, Northup, and Olson AYE.

Chris Classen reported that he has been checking records on when the pumps in the lift stations were last rebuilt. The pump in the lift station by the elevator has not been done since 1994, and he feels that it is going to need to be done soon. He also reported that there have been a couple of minor service leaks, but they have been taken care of.

Discussed the city police department. Mayor Six has spoken to the Carthage Police Chief in regards to Officer Trenton Woolson. Officer Woolson is now working full-time for the City of Carthage. The City of Carthage has agreed to reimburse the City of Dallas City for any cost of Officer Woolson's police training that we do not receive reimbursement for from the State of Illinois.

Mayor Six reported that Josh Smith has indicated to him that he would be willing to work as a part-time police officer for the city approximately 20-30 hours per week.

Mayor Six also reported that he spoke to Shane McKoon and offered him the position as full-time police officer for \$15 per hour. However, Mr. McKoon has informed Mayor Six that he would not accept this offer.

Eric Icenogle reported that he has received the names and addresses of residents that are in violation of the city's nuisance ordinance, and he will be sending out letters to them.

Discussed the employment status of police officer Trenton Woolson with the City of Dallas City. A motion was made by Olson, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gittings to dismiss Trenton Woolson as city police officer, with the exception of any pending cases that he would need to take care of. Gittings, Newberry, and Olson AYE. Northup NAY. Motion carried.

The 2017 Motor Fuel Tax Letting is scheduled to take place on January 24, 2017, at 1:30 p.m. at the city clerk's office.

Discussed offering Shane McKoon more money to see if he would be willing to start working for the city as a full-time police officer. A motion was made by Northup, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Newberry to offer Shane McKoon \$19.25 per hour and full-time employee benefits, with a 60 day trial period, to be a full-time

police officer. Gittings, Newberry, Northup, and Olson AYE.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

Steven K Vorhies, City Clerk