

The Dallas City Council held its regular meeting on April 26, 2017, at 5 p.m. Mayor Kevin Six called the meeting to order with the following commissioners present: Lila Gittings, Esther Newberry, and Greg Olson. Harold Northup Jr. was absent.

Others attending the meeting were Anne Thompson, Stephanie Watkins, John Stimpson, Stefanie Fenimore, Chris Classen, and Gary Smith.

A motion was made by Gittings, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Newberry to accept the minutes of the April 12, 2017, meeting. Gittings, Newberry, and Olson AYE. Northup ABSENT.

Harold Northup Jr. arrived at 5:01 p.m.

Anne Thompson asked about the flag that needs to be replaced in front of the city hall and about putting 9-1-1 numbers on the city hall building. The council agreed that both items need to be done and will have both matters taken care of as soon as possible.

Stephanie Watkins appeared on behalf of the Parents For Youth Sports organization requesting a donation to help with the expenses of the summer baseball/softball teams in Dallas City. A motion was made by Gittings, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Olson to donate \$250 to the Parents For Youth Sports organization. Gittings, Newberry, Northup, and Olson AYE.

John Stimpson asked about the property that joins his property to the east. The council informed Mr. Stimpson that the city attorney is working on this matter.

Stefanie Fenimore reported on the sewer grant and where things are standing. She discussed the things that the Illinois Department of Transportation is requiring in order for them to approve the sewer rehabilitation project plans and issue us the necessary permits that are needed from them. One of IDOT's requirements is an individual utility permit bond in the amount of \$10,000. The city's current insurance company does not offer this type of bond, so the city will need to get this bond from another insurance company.

Chris Classen reported that the city's rotary mower has been sold. He also reported that EPA inspections were done this week. He has purchased weed spray and is waiting for better weather conditions to apply it.

Police Chief Gary Smith reported that he has been going thru police files and is starting a new filing system for the police department. He is working on setting up new procedures to take care of the city's police business. He has purchased or ordered uniforms, protective equipment, and other necessary supplies for the police department. He has inquired about the cost of a new police vehicle to replace the current police car. He reported that the police department's office computer hard drive and laptop computer both need to be replaced. He has checked on prices for a new hard drive and one can be purchased from Best Buy for \$569.99. A motion was made by Newberry, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Northup to purchase the police department a computer hard drive from Best Buy for \$569.99. Gittings, Newberry, Northup, and Olson AYE.

Discussed the radar unit in the police pickup. The radar unit that is currently in the police pickup actually belongs to Henderson County. Chief Smith has gotten prices for a new radar unit. A motion was made by Northup, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Olson to purchase an in-car radar unit for the police pickup from Stalker Radar for \$1237. Gittings, Newberry, Northup, and Olson AYE.

A motion was made by Northup, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gittings to purchase the police department a laptop computer from Best Buy for \$699.99 and a document station from Ram Products for \$219.20. Gittings, Newberry, Northup, and Olson AYE.

Water shut offs for non-payment were done this week.

Discussed garbage being burned in town.

Discussed changing the costs of violations of the nuisance ordinance.

With the river level being so high, it was decided to have the Illini West Git R Done/SADD Club paint fire hydrants instead of cleaning up along the river.

Discussed purchasing new boat docks. Oquawka Boats Company has given the city an estimate of \$10,000-\$12,000 per dock. A motion was made by Northup, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Olson to purchase three new boat docks from Oquawka Boats Company for the approximate cost of \$10,000-\$12,000 per dock. 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 6:50 p.m.

Steven K Vorhies, City Clerk