

The Dallas City City Council held its regular meeting on July 12, 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, Josh Mercer, Doug Erickson, Gary Smith, and Eric Icenogle.

A motion was made by Olson, and 2nd by Newberry to accept the minutes of the June 28, 2017, meeting. Gittings, Newberry, Northup, and Olson AYE.

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

Josh Mercer of Western Illinois Regional Council discussed the city's sewer project. He also informed the council that they needed to make a decision as to whom they are going to have do the necessary engineering work for the sewer project. A motion was made by Gittings, and 2nd by Newberry to retain the services of Benton & Associates, Inc. for all the necessary engineering work required for the sewer project. Gittings, Newberry, Northup, and Olson AYE.

Anne Thompson asked about some buildings in town that are deteriorating and may need to be torn down.

Doug Erickson discussed the need for the city to pass a debt authorization ordinance for the sewer project. A motion was made by Newberry, and 2nd by Olson to pass Ordinance #635, An Ordinance Proposing the Issuance of Waterworks and Sewerage Revenue Bonds in an Aggregate Principal Amount Not To Exceed \$2,200,000 For the Purpose of Defraying the Cost of Acquiring and Constructing Improvements to the Sewerage System of the City. Gittings, Newberry, Northup, and Olson AYE.

Mr. Erickson also reported that the city boat docks were surveyed on June 11.

Discussed getting the dent in the police pickup fixed. Commissioner Newberry will talk to Bill Hull to see if he can have this fixed before the City Celebration Parade on July 29, 2017.

Police Chief Gary Smith gave the council his monthly summary report for the month of June 2017. He requested that the council purchase an electric power washer.

A motion was made by Northup, and 2nd by Olson to spend up to \$200 for a new electric power washer. Gittings, Newberry, Northup, and Olson AYE.

It was reported that Josh Smith is planning on starting to work for the city as a part-time police officer next week.

Police Chief Smith has served the required legal papers on a property owner whose property is in violation of the city's nuisance ordinance, and a court date has been set.

Discussed having the city's street employee re-paint the lines on Oak Street. Mayor Six will also check with the fire department to see if they would be willing to wash down Oak Street before the City Celebration. Also, discussed painting the city's fire hydrants.

Since there were no protest submitted to the tentative appropriations ordinance, a motion was made by Northup, and 2nd by Newberry to pass Ordinance #631, Ordinance for Appropriations for the May 1, 2017, to April 30, 2018, fiscal year. Gittings, Newberry, Northup, and Olson AYE.

A motion was made by Gittings, and 2nd by Newberry to pass Ordinance #632, Ordinance to Increase Sewer Rates to \$28.00 for 0-1,000 Gallons of Water Used and \$3.00 per 1,000 Gallons of Water Used In Excess of 1,000 Gallons, with said increase to become effective with the August 1, 2017, bills. Gittings, Newberry, Northup, and Olson AYE.

A motion was made by Olson, and 2nd by Gittings to pass Ordinance #633, Ordinance Authorizing the Sale of a 2007 Chevrolet Impala Police Car and 3 Boat Docks. Gittings, Newberry, Northup, and Olson AYE.

A motion was made by Northup, and 2nd by Newberry to pass Ordinance #634, Ordinance Authorizing Intergovernmental Cooperation Contract. Gittings, Newberry, Northup, and Olson AYE.

Discussed getting reimbursed for Trent Woolson's police training.

Discussed railroad crossings in town that need to be repaired. Mayor Six has been trying to contact BNSF Railroad but has not been able to get anyone to return his phone calls.

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 6:10 p.m.

Steven K Vorhies, City Clerk