

The Dallas City City Council held its regular meeting on January 8, 2009, at 5:30 P.M. Mayor Higgins called the meeting to order with the following commissioners present: Joyce Ellison, Jason Gold, Esther Newberry, and Harold Northup.

Others attending the meeting were Rod Clark, Anne Thompson, and Chris Classen.

A motion was made by Newberry, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gold to accept the minutes of the December 18, 2008, meeting. Ellison, Gold, Newberry, and Northup AYE.

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

Rod Clark read a proposed resolution recognizing the Illini West High School football team for the State Championship they won in November. A motion was made Ellison, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Newberry to approve the resolution and declare the week of January 18, 2009, as the week to recognize the Illini West football team. Ellison, Gold, Newberry, and Northup AYE.

Discussed the water line that needs to be installed at 222 West Fourth Street before water service will be allowed to begin at this location.

It was reported that a fence has been put up around the vacant lot on Oak Street that the city recently purchased.

Discussed tires for the police car. The following bids were received:

Clover Tire Inc.	\$392.00
Melton's Auto	\$433.24

A motion was made by Gold, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ellison to purchase 4 new tires from Melton's Auto for \$433.24. Ellison, Gold, Newberry, and Northup AYE.

Chris Classen discussed the permits from the EPA for the replacement of the water line on East Third Street east of Leinbaugh Street. Mayor Higgins needs to sign the necessary permits so that they can be returned to Klingner & Associates. Klingner's will then forward them to the EPA. He reported that a blower motor had to be repaired and a dialer for a lift station had to be replaced. He also reported on the other maintenance items that need to be done when the weather improves.

A motion was made by Newberry, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gold to authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign any necessary construction permits and IDOT permits needed for the water line project on East Third Street east of Leinbaugh Street. Ellison, Gold, Newberry, and Northup AYE.

The City Council would like to "THANK" Brent Sparrow for volunteering his time and the use of his forklift to help take down the Christmas lights.

Anne Thompson discussed the City Christmas lights. She also informed the council that she is working on a history book of the city for the celebration this summer.

Discussed the maintaining of the ditches along the city streets.

Joyce Ellison left the meeting at 6:30 P.M.

Discussed the doors at the maintenance building. A motion was made by Northup, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gold to get bids for new doors at the maintenance building. Gold, Newberry, and Northup AYE. Ellison ABSENT.

A motion was made by Northup, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gold to pay the Dallas City Senior Citizens \$750 for the use of their building in 2009. Gold, Newberry, and Northup AYE. Ellison ABSENT.

An Eagle Court of Honor for Jeff Melton and Quincy Boughton will be held at the First Christian Church on January 11, 2009, at 2 P.M.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 P.M.

Steven K Vorhies, City Clerk