

The Dallas City City Council held its regular meeting on June 28, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. Mayor Kevin Six called the meeting to order with the following commissioners present: Peggy Newberry, Harold Northup Jr., and Greg Olson. Carole McDowell was absent.

Others attending the meeting were Anne Thompson, Tracy Markey, Doug Erickson, and Gary Smith.

A motion was made by Olson, and 2nd by Northup to accept the minutes of the June 14, 2023, meeting. Newberry, Northup, Olson, and Six AYE. McDowell ABSENT.

Tracy Markey reported that the weed eater is not working. He will check with Melton's Auto to see what repair costs would be and get the price for a new one. Discussed the water valves at the water tank.

Discussed the number of lead service lines that need to be replaced. Doug Erickson reported that the city has received a \$30,000 grant to help with the cost of determining the inventory of which lines need replaced.

The city streets employee has been informed by a W.L. Miller Company employee that they will not be able to do the alleys that were part of the Motor Fuel Tax Letting specifications. The city engineer will contact W.L. Miller Company regarding this.

Anne Thompson discussed the motor bike issue around town.

Police Chief Gary Smith discussed the old high school building. The city attorney has been contacted by the realtor, who is asking if the city would help with putting a fence up around the property. The council does not feel that this is the city's responsibility and will have the city attorney inform the realtor that the city is not going to help with a fence.

Mayor Six reported that Landing at Dallas City has received their Illinois state liquor license and are open for business at 490 West First Street.

Discussed the city streets/maintenance employee position. Mayor Six and Street Commissioner Olson recently interviewed the four applicants. Two of the applicants have withdrawn their names from consideration. The remaining two applicants are Mike Aminell and Robbie Walker. After discussion, a motion was made by Olson, and 2nd by Northup to hire Mike Aminell to be the city's streets/maintenance employee at \$18.50 per hour, with a 90 day probationary period, a \$500 bonus at the end of the 90 day probationary period, and IMRF and \$300 monthly insurance allowance not starting until probationary period is over. His starting date is to be July 17, 2023. Newberry, Northup, Olson, and Six AYE. McDowell ABSENT.

Discussed sending a letter to our state representative regarding the steps at the rest area on Illinois Highway 96 between Dallas City and Lomax. These steps are out of service and can't be used. Commissioner Olson will send a letter to Representative Norine Hammond regarding this.

Mayor Six read a thank you from the John Shoemate Memorial Fishing Tournament for the city's recent donation to the tournament.

A motion was made by Northup, and 2nd by Olson to enter executive session to discuss former police personnel pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11). McDowell-ABSENT, Newberry-AYE, Northup-AYE, Olson-AYE, and Six-AYE.

The meeting entered executive session at 6:13 p.m.

The meeting re-entered regular session at 6:19 p.m.

A motion was made by Northup, and 2nd by Newberry to adjourn the meeting. Newberry, Northup, Olson, and Six AYE. McDowell ABSENT.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Steven K Vorhies, City Clerk