

The Dallas City Council held its regular meeting on April 23, 2009, at 5:30 P.M. Mayor Higgins called the meeting to order with the following commissioners present: Jason Gold and Esther Newberry. Joyce Ellison and Harold Northup were absent.

Others attending the meeting were Chris Classen, Maureen Brewer, and Tawny Wood.

A motion was made by Newberry, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gold to accept the minutes of the April 9, 2009, meeting. Gold, Newberry, and Higgins AYE. Ellison and Northup ABSENT.

It was reported that a bill from the City of Carthage for sand is being paid by the Illini West school district.

Discussed a proposed agreement with Scanlan & Sparrow Trucking, Inc. for supplying sand to the city in an emergency situation.

Discussed the bridges on East Third Street and East Fourth Street that are scheduled to be replaced. It appears that everything is going as scheduled on these projects.

Discussed flood reimbursements from IEMA. It appears that the city has received its eligible percentage of reimbursement on everything except the repairing of the lift station by the elevator and the resurfacing of the parking lot at the boat docks. The city clerk is working on getting these taken care of.

Discussed contacting the local fire department and seeing if they would be willing to use their equipment to wash off the boat dock area.

Maureen Brewer appeared regarding the defibrillator that the city has but is not using because our police officers are not qualified to use it. She informed the council that the Dallas City school district is in need of one. A motion was made by Gold, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Newberry to loan the city's defibrillator to the Dallas City school district for an indefinite period of time. Gold, Newberry, and Higgins AYE. Ellison and Northup ABSENT.

Tawny Wood appeared requesting permission to close off Oak Street from the railroad tracks to the 4 way stop on June 13, 2009, for a fundraising benefit for Chris Zimmerman. A motion was made by Gold, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Newberry to grant permission for the closing off of Oak Street from the railroad tracks to the alley south of the tracks beginning at 9 A.M. and from the alley to the 4 way stop beginning at noon. The street will be re-opened at 10 P.M. Any outside music must be stopped by 9 P.M. All alcohol must be sold inside the Circle C tavern, and an area outside must be fenced off for alcohol consumption. Gold, Newberry, and Higgins AYE. Ellison and Northup ABSENT.

Mayor Higgins reported that she recently met with an IDOT representative concerning an entrance and exit to the Wetlands Area from Illinois Highway 9 & 96. The representative is in the process of drawing up the necessary permits.

Chris Classen reported that he is working on getting the lift station at the elevator that was damaged by last years flood repaired. He has also put rock around the lift stations and old water plant.

There is a meeting in Carthage on April 28, 2009, regarding a mobile data terminal for the police department. Commissioner Gold is going to attend the meeting and will report to the council what he

found out at the next meeting.

The signs for Brian Shipman should be done next week. The signs for the Illini West football team and the Dallas City/La Harpe 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade volleyball teams have been ordered. The “Looking For Lincoln” signs will be put up as soon as they are received.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 6:25 P.M.

Steven K Vorhies, City Clerk