

The Dallas City Council held its regular meeting on May 28, 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 Bob Byers, Bill Hull, Pat Poepping, Chris Classen, John Hauk, Mr. & Mrs. Don Herriman, and Tawny Wood.

A motion was made by Newberry, and 2nd by Gold to accept the minutes of the May 14, 2009, meeting. Gold, Newberry, and Higgins AYE. Ellison and Northup ABSENT.

Pat Poepping appeared regarding the funding options for the East Fourth Street bridge that needs replaced. He discussed motor fuel tax funds and the Capital Program that was recently passed by the Illinois House and Senate, and is expected to be signed by the Governor in the very near future.

Discussed possible detour routes when the bridge on East Third Street is replaced by the State of Illinois in 2010.

Discussed drainage problems in town. Pat Poepping suggested leaving the vegetation in the alley between West Fourth Street and West Fifth Street between Pine Street and Walnut Street to help slow the flow of water.

Bob Byers appeared regarding a tree that appears to be about ready to fall onto his property. This tree is on private property, and it was suggested that he contact his attorney to see what his options are.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Herriman appeared regarding the alley between East Fourth Street and East Fifth Street between Elm Street and Linn Street. It appears that this alley has not been closed. The city attorney will check on this.

Tawny Wood appeared regarding the closing of Oak Street on June 13, 2009, that the council previously approved. They would now like to have Oak Street north of the 4-way stop to the alley closed off earlier. The council informed Ms. Wood that she would have to talk to the local businesses that this would affect and get their approval.

Chris Classen has gotten an estimate of \$4500 for a spare pump. He also informed the council that another pump needs to be re-built. He reported that the new water line on the north side of East Third Street east of Leinbaugh Street has been installed and water samples have been sent in for testing. The test results should be back in a few days. If everything comes back satisfactory, the contractor will start next week installing individual service lines.

Discussed appropriations ordinance. A motion was made by Gold, and 2nd by Newberry to pass, in tentative form, Ordinance #584, Ordinance for Appropriations for the May 1, 2009, to April 30, 2010, fiscal year. Gold, Newberry, and Higgins AYE. Ellison and Northup ABSENT.

Discussed police car maintenance. It appears that Carson Motors is not doing a satisfactory job. A motion was made by Gold, and 2nd by Newberry to have Melton Auto do the police car maintenance work in the future. Gold, Newberry, and Higgins AYE. Ellison and Northup ABSENT.

The Motor Fuel Tax letting was held May 19, 2009. W.L. Miller Company submitted the only bid for \$35,234.24. A motion was made by Gold, and 2nd by Newberry to accept the bid of W.L. Miller

Company. Gold, Newberry, and Higgins AYE. Ellison and Northup ABSENT.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 P.M.

Steven K Vorhies, City Clerk