

The Dallas City City Council held its regular meeting on October 14, 2010, at 5:30 P.M. Mayor Higgins called the meeting to order with the following commissioners present: Joyce Ellison, Jason Gold, and Esther Newberry. Harold Northup was absent.

Others attending the meeting were Lester Eaves, Chris Classen, Nick Zientarski, Charles O'Donnell, and John Hauk.

It was noted that Jason Gold had left the September 9, 2010, meeting before the executive session and the motion to reimburse Mary Biggieri, and therefore was ABSENT for these votes instead of voting AYE.

A motion was made by Ellison, and 2nd by Newberry to accept the minutes, as corrected, of the September 9, 2010, meeting. Ellison, Gold, and Newberry AYE. Northup ABSENT.

A motion was made by Newberry, and 2nd by Gold to pay bills. Ellison, Gold, and Newberry AYE. Northup ABSENT.

Lester Eaves appeared on behalf of the Dallas City Boxing Club. He informed the council that the boxing club is having a fundraising event, consisting of boxing matches, on December 4, 2010. He requested the city's approval of a 1 day liquor license. In order to purchase alcohol, individuals will have to show proof that they are 21 and obtain a wrist band. They also have police authorities scheduled to be present at the event.

A motion was made by Newberry, and 2nd by Gold to grant approval of the Dallas City Boxing Club's request for a 1 day liquor license on December 4, 2010. Ellison, Gold, and Newberry AYE. Northup ABSENT.

Nick Zientarski and Charles O'Donnell appeared on behalf of Glacial Energy. They submitted data to the council that showed that based on the City's 2009 electrical usage figures, the City's electric bill would have been \$1976, or 26%, less if the city would have been with Glacial Energy in 2009. Also, based on 2009 usage figures, the forecasted figures for 2010 would have Glacial Energy offering a savings of \$1337, or 21%, in 2010. Mr. Zientarski and Mr. O'Donnell informed the council that Glacial Energy would only be the supplier of the electricity, and that AmerenCIPS would continue to be the deliverer of the electricity.

A motion was made by Ellison, and 2nd by Newberry to switch the city's electricity supplier from AmerenCIPS to Glacial Energy at the beginning of the next billing cycle with monthly evaluations. Ellison, Gold, and Newberry AYE. Northup ABSENT.

Mayor Higgins reported on the East Third Street and East Fourth Street bridges. The city has received a verbal approval from the State of Illinois to asphalt the East Fourth Street bridge. The contractor has informed the mayor they are looking at a completion date of approximately the end of October or early November.

Hancock County Board Chairman Dave Walker has notified the city that there is a chance some money might be available via WIRC for the reimbursement of expenses from the 2008 flood that were not paid by IEMA. The required paperwork has been done and given to Mr. Walker.

Discussed the management costs dealing with the 2008 flood. IEMA limits reimbursement of

management costs to 1.5% of the city's total eligible costs or \$20,000, whichever is less. The city's total eligible costs were \$138,187.22. A motion was made Newberry, and 2nd by Gold to pay the city clerk \$2072.81 for management costs of the 2008 flood. Ellison, Gold, and Newberry AYE. Northup ABSENT.

Chris Classen reported that the hydrants were recently flushed, and he is in the process of checking them for defects. He also reported on some minor maintenance work that he has been working on.

A motion was made by Newberry, and 2nd by Gold to donate \$150 to Connie Siemens for Christmas with Santa and \$175 to the Dallas City Firemen for Christmas candy. Ellison, Gold, and Newberry AYE. Northup ABSENT.

Discussed properties in town that are in violation of the city's nuisance ordinance.

Discussed delinquent water bills.

Discussed possibly leveling the ground along West Second Street where the water line was recently replaced. This will be discussed more at the next meeting.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 6:57 P.M.

Steven K Vorhies, City Clerk