

The Dallas City Council held its regular meeting on June 24, 2010, at 5:30 P.M. Mayor Higgins called the meeting to order with the following commissioners present: Joyce Ellison, Esther Newberry, and Harold Northup. Jason Gold was absent.

Others attending the meeting were Bob Durand, Sandra Beyer, Ryan Thompson, Keith Durand, and John Hauk.

A motion was made by Newberry, and 2nd by Ellison to accept the minutes of the June 10, 2010, meeting. Ellison, Newberry, and Northup AYE. Gold ABSENT.

Bob Durand appeared on behalf of Hagy's Bar & Grill. They are hosting a fish fry fundraiser for the Illinois Commercial Fishing Association on July 17, 2010, and would like permission to block off the alley between Hagy's and the fire station. They would also like permission to block off East Fourth Street from Oak Street to the fire station on July 31, 2010, for the City Celebration.

A motion was made by Northup, and 2nd by Newberry to grant Hagy's permission to block off the alley between Hagy's and the fire station on July 17, 2010. Ellison, Newberry, and Northup AYE. Gold ABSENT.

A motion was made by Newberry, and 2nd by Northup to grant Hagy's permission to block off East Fourth Street from Oak Street to the fire station on July 31, 2010, as long as they obtain permission from the fire department and require individuals to wear a wristband to prove they are of legal drinking age in order to purchase alcohol. Ellison, Newberry, and Northup AYE. Gold ABSENT.

Sandra Beyer discussed the culverts and ditch on the west side of her property along Cedar Street. It appears that the culverts are plugged and new culverts have been ordered to replace them.

Ryan Thompson thanked the council for replacing the stop signs around town that needed to be replaced. He asked about the culvert for his property. The city will check with Timewell to see when the culvert is going to arrive. He also discussed some other culverts in town that need to be replaced. He informed the council that Burlington Northern Santa Fe is looking for ground along the river to rent for a project at one of their bridges that they are going to be working on.

Keith Durand appeared in regards to a street opening at a job site he recently completed the work at. The city is going to bill the property owner for the street opening.

Discussed the East Fourth Street bridge. The County Engineer has been contacted, and he feels it would be best to wait and do the oil and chipping when the city streets are done. The idea of asphaltting the bridge instead of oil and chipping was also discussed.

Discussed the old high school building.

Mayor Higgins reported that the Superintendent of the Dallas City School has contacted her about the city possibly taking over the tennis courts and basketball court as a park area. It was decided that since we have a separate park district in town, the park district should be approached first. If the park district is not interested in taking them over, the city would consider doing it.

It was reported that the water salesman had to be repaired.

Since there were no protest submitted to the tentative appropriation ordinance at the public hearing held before the regular meeting, a motion was made by Northup, and 2nd by Newberry to pass Ordinance #590, Ordinance for Appropriations for the May 1, 2010, to April 30, 2011, fiscal year. Ellison, Newberry, and Northup AYE. Gold ABSENT.

The city attorney reported that he is working on an ordinance for culverts.

Discussed the bridge on East First Street between Osage Street and Leinbaugh Street. It appears to be settling. Discussed the idea of using stabilized patch to repair it.

It was reported that 74 kids attended the John Shoemate Memorial Kids Fishing Tournament on June 19.

Discussed properties in town, as well as brush and trees along Elm Street and other trees that may need to be removed.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 P.M.

Steven K Vorhies, City Clerk