

The Dallas City Council held its regular meeting on August 12, 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 Jana Cunningham, Bob Durand, and Chris Classen.

A motion was made by Newberry, and 2nd by Gold to accept the minutes of the July 22, 2010, meeting. Ellison, Gold, and Newberry AYE. Northup ABSENT.

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

Bob Durand appeared on behalf of Hagy's to request permission to block off East Fourth Street from Oak Street to the fire station on August 28, 2010, so they can have a fish fry to celebrate their 5th year in business. All liquor will be sold inside, and the Dallas Rural Fire District has already given their permission. A motion was made by Gold, and 2nd by Newberry to allow Hagy's to block off East Fourth Street from Oak Street to the fire station on August 28, 2010, from 3 P.M. to 10 P.M. Ellison, Gold, and Newberry AYE. Northup ABSENT.

Jana Cunningham discussed property adjacent to hers that appears to be in violation of the city's nuisance ordinance. The fence that was up around this property is coming down. The city police has talked to the property owner about this and will contact the city attorney if the problem is not taken care of.

Discussed signs regarding the acknowledgment of the Illini West High School's Bass Fishing Team's State Championship. Since the Illini West High School is located in Carthage, the City of Carthage has to make the original request.

Chris Classen reported that he has repaired three water lines and that the new backhoe appears to be working well. He also reported that additional plastic culvert has been ordered to replace existing culverts that need to be replaced. He is going to check on prices for a backup generator. He also replaced the spindle assembly on the mowing tractor.

Discussed the East Third Street bridge project. The city has been informed that the contractor is hoping to have the project completed around the middle of September.

The paperwork to get the new East Fourth Street bridge asphalted is in the offices of the State of Illinois.

Discussed a request from the Dallas City Cub Scout Pack 51 for a donation. It was decided not to make a donation at this time.

Discussed ditches and culverts around town. The city attorney has drawn up an ordinance concerning the culverts in town for the council to review.

Discussed an ordinance to sell the old backhoe. The city attorney will be contacted regarding the wording of the ordinance.

The city has received a letter from the Hancock County Highway Department regarding new street sign

requirements. The Illinois Department of Transportation is offering some grants to help communities meet these requirements. There is going to be a meeting in Carthage regarding this that Mayor Higgins is planning on attending.

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

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

Steven K Vorhies, City Clerk