

The Dallas City Council held its regular meeting on March 14, 2013, at 6 p.m. Mayor Higgins called the meeting to order with the following commissioners present: Esther Newberry, Tom Schaefer, and Bob Weese. Harold Northup was absent.

Others attending the meeting were Dale and Judy Clark, Matt Hagmeier, Bob Durand, and Eric Icenogle.

A motion was made by Weese, and 2nd by Newberry to accept the minutes of the February 28, 2013, meeting. Newberry, Schaefer, and Weese AYE. Northup ABSENT.

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

Harold Northup arrived at 6:03 p.m.

Dale Clark requested that the city council consider amending the city's liquor ordinance so that a holder of a Class A-1 liquor license would be allowed to stay open until midnight on Sundays. The current liquor ordinance requires a holder of a Class A-1 liquor license to close at 10 p.m. on Sundays. He informed the council that he did not want the part of the ordinance that prohibits music from being played after 10 p.m. on Sundays to be changed. A motion was made by Newberry, and 2nd by Schaefer to make the requested amendment to the city's liquor ordinance and instruct the city attorney to draw up a new liquor ordinance to amend the current one. Newberry, Northup, Schaefer, and Weese AYE.

Dale Clark also requested permission for his business, Ike's, to stay open until midnight on March 17, 2013, for a St. Patrick's Day Celebration. A motion was made by Schaefer, and 2nd by Weese to give Ike's permission to stay open until midnight on March 17, 2013. Newberry, Northup, Schaefer, and Weese AYE.

The city attorney presented the council with an updated proposal for an ordinance to prohibit the planting of trees and shrubs on city property. A motion was made by Schaefer, and 2nd by Weese to pass Ordinance #609, Prohibiting the Planting of Trees and Shrubbery in Street and/or Road Right-Of-Ways. Newberry, Northup, Schaefer, and Weese AYE.

Discussed the GroupCast Mass Notification System. Commissioner Northup presented the council members a proposal from GroupCast regarding the notification of residents for things like weather warnings, local activities, etc. The council members and city attorney will look over this proposal and discuss it more at the next meeting.

Mayor Higgins has received the plans and permits from Kligner and Associates for the East Fourth Street water main project. Bids are scheduled to be opened on March 28, 2013.

Mayor Higgins reported that Commissioner Weese and herself are planning on attending the Hancock County Economic Development's meeting on March 26, 2013.

Discussed running ads for the mowing of the city cemetery. Ads will be run and bids will be opened at the April 11, 2013, meeting.

Discussed a proposal from Land & Water Vegetation Control for the spraying of weeds and other vegetation control around city property. The proposed cost for around the cemetery, along Oak Street, Third Street, and around the bridges on First Street is \$341. The proposed cost for around the sewer lagoon is \$292. A motion was made by Schaefer, and 2nd by Newberry to accept both proposals from Land & Water Vegetation Control for a total of \$633. Newberry, Northup, Schaefer, and Weese AYE.

A motion was made by Schaefer, and 2nd by Newberry to adjourn the meeting. Newberry, Northup, Schaefer, and Weese AYE.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:43 p.m.

Steven K Vorhies, City Clerk