

The Dallas City Council held its regular meeting on January 8, 2015, at 6 p.m. Mayor Higgins called the meeting to order with the following commissioners present: Esther Newberry, Harold Northup, and Tom Schaefer. Bob Weese was absent.

Others attending the meeting were Cliff Koltzenburg, Chris Koltzenburg, Doug Erickson, Chris Classen, and Dennis Hilliard.

A motion was made by Newberry, and 2nd by Schaefer to accept the minutes of the December 17, 2014, meeting. Newberry, Northup, and Schaefer AYE. Weese ABSENT.

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

Mayor Higgins announced that the Dallas City Elementary School is sponsoring New Life Electronics Recycling at the school on January 24, 2015, from 9-11 a.m. If you have any questions as to what will be accepted, contact the school.

Doug Erickson reported that K & N Excavating has submitted a Pay Estimate #2 for the water plant demolition project. Mr. Erickson discussed the change orders for this project. The change orders include an additional charge for work that K & N had to do on a sewer line and deductions for work that the city had to do on the water salesman and liquidating damages. After making the necessary changes, the amount of the pay estimate is \$10,125, Mr. Erickson recommended paying this amount. A motion was made by Schaefer, and 2nd by Newberry to pay K & N Excavating \$10,125 for Pay Estimate #2 of the water plant demolition project. Newberry, Northup, and Schaefer AYE. Weese ABSENT.

Cliff and Chris Koltzenburg, of K & N Excavating, discussed the amount that the city was deducting for liquidating damages. Based on the terms of the contract and the date of completion, the city's proposed penalty is \$6,600 (33 days @ \$200 per day). Discussed the items that were not completed by the due date and the circumstances that were involved that caused these items not to be completed on time.

A motion was made by Schaefer, and 2nd by Newberry to make the date of completion on the water plant demolition project December 14, 2014, and make the liquidating damages charged to K & N Excavating \$5,200 (26 days @ \$200 per day). Newberry, Northup, and Schaefer AYE. Weese ABSENT.

Discussed having a representative from WIRC attend a council meeting in the near future to discuss the proposed sewer line replacement project.

Mayor Higgins read a letter from TEST Inc. regarding their contracted rate with the city for 2015. TEST Inc. has decided not to enforce the 3.5% rate increase that they are allowed under the contract.

Dennis Hilliard discussed a possible part-time police officer candidate. He would like the council's permission to allow this candidate to work some during the month of February. The council agreed to allow this.

Discussed the city's Christmas lights, and that it appears a few of them need some work done on them.

Discussed water shut offs and pot holes in an alley.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Steven K Vorhies, City Clerk