The Dalllas City City Council held its regular meeting on February 12, 2009, at 5:30 P.M. Mayor Higgins called the meeting to order with the following commissioners present: Joyce Ellison, Jason Gold, Esther Newberry, and Harold Northup.

Others attending the meeting were Connie Siemens, Chris Classen, and Rod Clark.

A motion was made by Newberry, and 2nd by Northup to accept the minutes of the January 22, 2009, meeting. Ellison, Gold, Newberry, and Northup AYE.

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

Connie Siemens informed the council that she is planning an Easter Egg Hunt for the local children on April 11, 2009, at 10 A.M. at the Dallas City Elementary School. She asked the council if they would be willing to make a donation to help cover the cost of this. A motion was made by Gold, and 2nd by Newberry to donate \$100 to Connie Siemens for the Easter Egg Hunt. Ellison, Gold, Newberry, and Northup AYE.

Discussed a resolution for Carl Sandburg College showing the City's support for the college. A motion was made by Northup, and 2nd by Gold to adopt the Carl Sandburg College Resolution. Ellison, Gold, Newberry, and Northup AYE.

Chris Classen reported that he has repaired two manholes. He also reported that the valves on a pump need to be replaced. He has received an estimate of \$800 to do this.

Discussed getting bids for the mowing of the city cemetery. Bids will be opened at the March 26, 2009, meeting.

Discussed getting bids for flags. This will be discussed more at the next meeting.

Mayor Higgins read a letter from Portia Faul requesting a medical leave of absence. A motion was made by Newberry, and 2^{nd} by Ellison to grant Portia Faul a medical leave of absence. Ellison, Gold, Newberry, and Northup AYE.

A motion was made by Ellison, and 2^{nd} by Gold to hire Karen Northup to read water meters while Portia Faul is on her leave of absence. Ellison, Gold, and Newberry AYE. Northup ABSTAIN.

Discussed giving the city employees a Christmas bonus. This will be discussed more at the next meeting.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 P.M.

Steven K Vorhies, City Clerk