

The Dallas City City Council held its regular meeting on July 23, 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 Rod Clark and Chris Classen.

A motion was made by Newberry, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ellison to accept the minutes of the July 9, 2009, meeting. Ellison, Gold, Newberry, and Northup AYE.

Discussed the East Fourth Street bridge project. The purchase of 3 of the 5 necessary parcels of land needed to complete this project has been finalized. The city has received notice from Senator John Sullivan that the city has been approved to receive \$150,000 for this bridge project from the capital bill that was recently approved by the State of Illinois.

Discussed the removal of some trees on city property. The city has received an estimate from Chris Akers to remove these trees for \$2800. A motion was made by Gold, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Newberry to hire Chris Akers to remove the trees for \$2800. Ellison, Gold, Newberry, and Northup AYE.

Discussed fire hydrants. This will be discussed more at the next meeting.

Chris Classen reported that there was a water break on East First Street and that it has been repaired. He also reported that he needs to sow seed on the Wetland area, and he is planning on doing this next week on the areas that are dry enough to allow him to do it.

City employees are working on replacing stuck water meters and re-locating some outside water readers.

It was reported that one of the city's trucks may need to be replaced. It was decided to get an estimate on the cost to repair the truck and make a decision as to whether to fix it or replace it at a later date.

A motion was made by Gold, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Newberry to enter executive session to discuss property. Ellison, Gold, Newberry, and Northup AYE.

The meeting entered executive session at 6:05 P.M.

The meeting re-entered regular session at 6:15 P.M.

A motion was made by Gold, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Newberry to pass ordinance #584, Ordinance for Appropriations for the May 1, 2009, to April 30, 2010, fiscal year. Ellison, Gold, Newberry, and Northup AYE.

Discussed the flood damage prevention ordinance that needs to be approved by October 1, 2009. The city attorney is working on this.

Mayor Higgins and the city council would like to "THANK" the Celebration Committee for all of their efforts and everyone who volunteered their time to help make the 150<sup>th</sup> Celebration a tremendous success.

A motion was made by Ellison, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Newberry to adjourn the meeting. Ellison, Gold, Newberry,

and Northup AYE.

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

Steven K Vorhies, City Clerk