The Dallas City City Council held its regular meeting on October 8, 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.

There were no others in attendance.

A motion was made by Newberry, and 2nd by Ellison to accept the minutes of the September 24, 2009, meeting. Ellison, Gold, and Newberry AYE. Northup ABSTAIN.

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

It was reported that there had been a water break on West Third Street earlier in the week. Dave Greenig assisted the city employees in repairing this water break, and the city council would like to "THANK" Mr. Greenig for his help.

The American Legion is planning on serving hot dogs on Trick-Or-Treat night, October 31. A motion was made by Ellison, and 2nd by Newberry to donate \$125 to the American Legion for this event. Ellison, Gold, Newberry, and Northup AYE.

City Clean-Up Days are set for October 15, 16, and 17. Tom Maynard will be having a trailer there to collect appliances and metal objects.

A motion was made by Newberry, and 2nd by Ellison to enter executive session for the purpose of discussing properties in town. Ellison, Gold, Newberry, and Northup AYE.

The meeting entered executive session at 5:37 P.M.

The meeting re-entered regular session at 5:42 P.M.

A motion was made by Ellison, and 2nd by Gold to hire an attorney outside of the firm of Capps, Ancelet, Clark, and Rasmussen to represent the City, if needed, for any citations issued for violating the city's nuisance ordinance due to a conflict of interest. Ellison, Gold, and Newberry AYE. Northup NAY.

Joyce Ellison left the meeting at 5:45 P.M.

A motion was made by Northup, and 2nd by Gold to donate \$150 to Connie Siemens for Christmas with Santa and \$175 to the Dallas City Firemen for Christmas candy. Gold, Newberry, and Northup AYE. Ellison ABSENT.

The city has received notice from their insurance company that they are denying a claim by a resident for water back-up in their basement due to the fact that there was no negligence on the part of the city.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 6:05 P.M.

Steven K Vorhies, City Clerk