

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION  
OF THE CITY OF DUMAS, TEXAS

MAY 4, 2009

6:30 P.M.

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT THERE CAME AND WAS HELD A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DUMAS, TEXAS IN THE DUMAS MUNICIPAL COURT ROOM - POLICE DEPARTMENT, 124 EAST 7TH STREET OF SAID CITY:

Members Present:

Mayor Mike Milligan  
Mayor Pro Tem Pat L. Sims  
Commissioner Mike Salim  
Commissioner James Mahaffey  
City Manager Vince DiPiazza  
City Attorney Tom Moore

Members Absent:

Commissioner John D Harris

Others Present: Kim Rehkopf, Jack Braswell, Andrew Espinoza, Isidro Renteria, James Blankenburg, Joe Montana, Tommy Brooks, Joe Bain, Linda White, Loke Marquez, Paul J. Jenkins, and Dale Alwan.

Mayor Milligan called the meeting to order.

During attending citizens and their business Mayor Milligan asked Emergency Management Director Tommy Brooks to give a briefing concerning the H1N1 virus (swine flu). Mr. Brooks said there were forty confirmed cases in Texas. Mr. Brooks said Health Region 1, which is the Amarillo area, has no confirmed or suspected cases at this time. Mr. Brooks also presented Health Regions 2 through 11. The total state confirmed cases are 40 with 204 suspected cases. There are 286 confirmed cases in the United States and there are 601 schools closed that affects 473,040 students.

Commissioner Mahaffey asked about the following bills: Texas Sand and Gravel, \$1,178.96 for the golf course. City Manager Vince DiPiazza said this cost was for USGA green sand but wasn't sure where the sand was used on the traps at the golf course. Martin Apparatus, \$1,035 for the fire department. Fire Chief Paul J. Jenkins said this cost is for a motor drover box that controls the foam system and he has ordered a flow meter. Volunteer Fire Department, \$6,600. Chief Jinkins said this cost was the volunteer's reimbursement for their services. TPI Bryan Container Company, \$3,532.97 for the solid waste department. Mr. DiPiazza said this cost was to purchase replacement lids and trash containers. Mr. DiPiazza said the city usually buys replacement lids and containers every year. Oscar Soto, \$1,080 for the landfill department. Mr. DiPiazza said this is a paper catcher and is required through the landfill permit. Commissioner Mahaffey asked Shop Superintendent Loke Marquez if the grader was working and Mr. Marquez said the grader is not working and they are having a problem with the alternator. Commissioner Salim asked Police Chief Dale

Alwan why the city paid Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) unemployment of \$1,635.30 to Solano. Chief Alwan said that Sylvia Solano was a secretary at the police department and resigned to take another job. Mr. DiPiazza said TWC is requiring the city pay unemployment to Ms. Solano and he would ask Human Resource Director Brenda Koehn to inquire why the city pays her unemployment. A motion was made by Commissioner Salim, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Sims, and passed unanimously to approve the April 20, 2009 Regular City Commission meeting minutes and paying the bills.

Mr. Bain, owner of property surrounding city water wells west of the golf course, asked the Commission to consider capping the water wells and removing the fencing and equipment. Mayor Milligan said one water well has a submergible pump that should be removed. City Manager Vince DiPiazza said Taylor Drilling's cost estimate is \$17,500, unbudgeted, with the city removing the concrete and dirt at the site. A motion was made by Commissioner Mahaffey, seconded by Commissioner Salim, and passed unanimously to cap one water well, remove fencing and equipment, move the concrete and dirt at the site, then budget the funds to cap the other water well.

City Secretary Kim Rehkopf presented an agreement with Moore County to lease their election equipment for the city's May 9, 2009 general election. Ms. Rehkopf said the cost to lease the voting equipment would be \$500 per election. Ms. Rehkopf said the city has leased two voting machines in the past at \$500 per election and stated Moore County has not increased their fees. The city would be leasing six voting machines for the May 9, 2009 general election. A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Sims, seconded by Commissioner Mahaffey, and passed unanimously to approve the agreement with Moore County to lease six voting machines at \$500 per election.

City Manager Vince DiPiazza presented financing for the solid waste packer truck. Diversified Lenders at 5.0632% with a total payback of \$162,183.48, with this year's payment of \$26,980.58. Government Capital at 5.75% with a total payback of \$162,658.80. A motion was made by Commissioner Mahaffey, seconded by Commissioner Salim, and passed unanimously to approve financing with Diversified Lenders at 5.0632% and with a total payback of \$162,183.48 with this year's payment of \$26,980.58.

City Manager Vince DiPiazza presented a drafted ethics policy. Mr. DiPiazza said the original issue concerns individuals that are city employees that do outside work for the city. Mayor Milligan said to provide a copy of the drafted ethics policy to city employees and to City Attorney Tom Moore to review. There was no action taken.

City Secretary Kim Rehkopf asked the Commission to reappoint an alternate election judge for the May 9, 2009 general election. Ms. Rehkopf said Shawn Frische was appointed as the alternate election judge in February but she has a family graduation to attend on May 9th. Ms. Rehkopf recommended Mary Salley as the alternate election judge and stated that Ms. Salley has worked elections for Moore County. A motion was made by Commissioner Salim, seconded by Commissioner Mahaffey, and passed unanimously to appoint Mary Salley as the alternate election judge for the May 9, 2009 general election.

Mayor Milligan opened the Work Session.

City Manager Vince DiPiazza presented an update on the progress of the swimming pool project. Mr. DiPiazza said the area in front of the swimming pool would have to be paved. Mayor Milligan stated that a new walking track should be done when the swimming pool project is completed. Mr. DiPiazza said the brick and metal trim should be here next week and he is also concerned about coordinating the deck work.

Meeting adjourned.

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Mike Milligan, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Vince DiPiazza, City Manager