

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY
OF LUFKIN, TEXAS, HELD ON 19th DAY OF MARCH, 1963, AT 7:30 PM

On the 19th day of March, 1963, the City Commission of the City of Lufkin, Texas, convened in regular meeting in the regular meeting place of said City, with the following members thereof, to-wit:

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| Victor V. Bruce | Commissioner, Ward No. 1 |
| Beamon S. Cook | Commissioner, Ward No. 2 |
| S. Harry Kerr | Commissioner, Ward No. 3 |
| A. G. Welch | Commissioner, Ward No. 4 |
| Granville Wright | City Manager |
| Lynn Durham | City Secretary |
| William Drew Perkins | City Attorney |

being present, and

Jim Waters

Mayor

being absent, constituting a quorum, when the following business was transacted:

1. Meeting opened with prayer by Commissioner S. Harry Kerr.
2. Minutes of previous meeting were approved as written.
3. Several visitors were present in connection with items on the agenda or as observers.
4. City Attorney read caption of Ordinance covering Zone change from "A" and "F" District to "G" District on 13.82 acres of land located on North Timberland Drive and being portion of G. B. Loftin 200 acres and Block 8 of Subdivision of Cook interests in the John L. Quinalty League, shown as Tract 26, Map 36, City of Lufkin, by Mr. Dixon Abney.

City Secretary stated this application was heard by Zone Board in regular meeting of February 23, 1963, and was considered by City Planning Commission in meeting of February 28, 1963.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Harvin appeared before Zone Board to protest the change unless a buffer zone of 140' was allowed between their property on the Southeast side and Mr. Abney's property. Mr. Abney agreed to this buffer zone but desired originally to change the whole tract.

Zone Board recommended that City Commission approve the change, provided the 140' buffer zone was allowed. City Planning Commission recommended that the entire tract, without buffer zone, be changed to "G" District. Mr. Abney was present to answer any questions and no person was present to protest.

Commissioner S. Harry Kerr made motion that ordinance be approved on first reading changing zone from "A" and "F" District to "G" District on entire tract as originally requested and as recommended by City Planning Commission. Commissioner Beamon S. Cook seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

5. Commissioner Beamon S. Cook made motion that ordinance be passed on second and final reading allowing Naylor Corp. of Dallas to continue their present plant operations at 2208 North Timberland Drive without zone change for period of 7 years. Commissioner S. Harry Kerr seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.
6. Commissioner Victor V. Bruce made motion that ordinance authorizing the establishment of a Traffic Bureau in Corporation Court be passed on second and final reading. Commissioner S. Harry Kerr seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

7. City Manager stated that City of Nacogdoches would like to buy one of our three-wheel motorcycles and that neither of the two units we have on hand are being used.

City Commission withheld any action until future meeting and instructed City Manager to discuss with Chief of Police the possibility of using either one or both of these units for funeral escorts since they are more maneuverable than patrol cars.

8. City Manager read letter of resignation, effective March 15, 1963, received from Paul Higgins, from the position of Corporation Court Judge in that he was moving from Lufkin to accept a position that would be to his advantage financially. City Manager stated Judge Higgins had done an outstanding job and that he had accepted the resignation with regret.

City Manager stated that City Secretary Lynn Durham had been assigned these additional duties until a new permanent City Judge is appointed. City Manager further stated two written and three verbal applications had been received for the job.

City Commission approved City Manager's action of accepting the resignation and instructed City Attorney to draw up resolution commending Judge Higgins for his work with the City as Judge.

9. City Manager stated that E. J. Payne, tank inspector, was here approximately 10 days ago and inspected our water storage tanks and made up specifications to be sent to bidders covering repairs needed and requested City Commission authorization to mail to bidders for price on repairs needed.

Commissioner Beamon S. Cook made motion that City Manager be authorized to handle as requested. Motion seconded by Commissioner Victor V. Bruce and the vote was unanimous.

10. City Manager stated he had received invoice in the amount of \$1620.00 from Land Planning, Inc., Dallas, Texas (Robert W. Hollin, Planning Consultant) for services covering preparation, etc., of revised zoning ordinance and new district zoning map which had been checked by City Planning Commission.

City Planning Commission recommended invoice be paid since it conforms to contract but that Mr. Hollin be advised by letter that he will be expected to continue his assistance on this zoning ordinance and district zone map until same had been approved or rejected.

Commissioner Victor V. Bruce made motion that City Manager be authorized to pay the invoice with letter being written to Mr. Hollin that he will be expected to render assistance on above ordinance and district zone map until approved or rejected. Commissioner Beamon S. Cook seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

11. Open items were gone over and City Manager reported following:


- (1) Warning signals have been installed at Southern Pacific Railroad crossing on Pershing Street near entrance to Chambers Park and were working satisfactory. City Attorney stated that penal ordinance which was passed sometime ago authorizing the installation of these signals be rescinded per agreement we had with Southern Pacific Railroad Company. Commissioner Victor V. Bruce made motion that ordinance be rescinded. Commissioner Beamon S. Cook seconded the motion and vote was unanimous.

- (2) City Manager stated he was going ahead with plans for installing water line on Henderson Street and Loop Lane. Also recommended that City Commission give consideration to

installing an 8" water line of approximately 3000' on Spence Street to supply sufficient water to Lufkin Pine Lumber Company and other businesses in this area. Stated that estimated cost of this 8" line by City Engineer was \$9,000 to \$10,000.

Commissioner S. Harry Kerr suggested consideration be given to 12" line due to future developments in this area. After some discussion, Commissioner Beamon S. Cook made motion that City Manager be authorized to proceed with developing cost for installing this line on both 8" and 12" size, after which decision would be reached on size to install. Commissioner Victor V. Bruce seconded motion and vote was unanimous.

- (3) City Attorney said he had not received any information from County Attorney on interpretation of Attorney General on procedure of setting bonds for prisoners in City Jail on County offenses. City Attorney stated he would write Attorney General on this matter.
12. Commissioner Beamon S. Cook made motion that invoices for month be approved for payment. Commissioner S. Harry Kerr seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.
13. City Commission agreed to hear W. O. Ricks who requested consideration be given to amending ordinance covering, among other things, City charges for fixtures connected to sewer lines. Mayor pro tem instructed City Attorney to check into with all concerned and make recommendation at next meeting.
14. City Manager was instructed by City Commission to check into the feasibility of synchronizing traffic light at Abney and Raguet so cars can turn right on red light. Also to check on possibility of caution signal light on Huntington Highway (US No. 69) at Slack Street.
15. There being no further business for consideration, meeting was adjourned at 9:00 P.M.


Mayor Pro Tem - City of Lufkin, Texas

ATTEST:


City Secretary - City of Lufkin, Texas