

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS, HELD ON THE 17TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1968, AT 7:30 PM

On the 17th day of September, 1968, 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:

Earl Nisbet	Mayor
Carl Liese	Commissioner, Ward No. 1
Dayle V. Smith	Commissioner, Ward No. 2
Byron McNeil	Commissioner, Ward No. 3
Edgar C. Wareing	Commissioner, Ward No. 4
W. O. Ricks, Jr.	Commissioner at Large, Place A
Basil E. Atkinson, Jr. M. D.	Commissioner at Large, Place B
William E. Wolff	City Manager
Lynn Durham	City Secretary
David Walker	City Attorney

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

1. Meeting opened with prayer by Rev. Richard Hoopes, Pastor of Keltys Methodist Church, Lufkin, Texas.
2. Mayor welcomed a large number of visitors who were present in connection with items on the Agenda or as observers.
3. BMcN made motion that minutes of regular meeting of September 3, 1968, be approved as written. BEA seconded the motion and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.
4. DW read Ordinance in its entirety for first reading covering annexing certain areas in the Community of Herty to the City of Lufkin. DVS made motion that Ordinance be passed on first reading. Motion seconded by CL and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.
5. DW read Ordinance covering zone change request of L. E. Palmore and wife from R-1 District to LM District on property located on the northeast side of Loop 287 and north of State Highway 94 and adjoining property now zoned LM.

LD stated City Planning and Zoning Commission had conducted public hearing on this zone change application and recommended approval by the City Commission. Mayor inquired if any persons present to object to change and there were none. DVS made motion that Ordinance be passed on first reading. BMcN seconded the motion and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

6. DW read Ordinance covering zone change request of L. E. Palmore and wife covering property located at the northeast side of Loop 287 and north of State Highway 94 and adjoining the property included in the preceding zone change.

LD stated this zone change application was also considered by the City Planning and Zoning Commission in a public hearing and it was their recommendation that same be approved by the City Commission. Mayor inquired if any persons present to object to this zone change and there were none. BMcN made motion that Ordinance be passed on first reading. Motion seconded by WOR and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

7. Mayor called attention to application of H. H. Greenville, et al, to close alleys located between California and Persimmon Streets. LD stated this request was also considered by the City Planning and Zoning Commission and it was their recommendation that City Commission close the alleys at no expense from a legal standpoint to the City. DW stated that alleys contained utilities which should be maintained if alleys were closed.

ECW made motion that recommendation of the City Planning and Zoning Commission be followed by closing these alleys with stipulation that easements be retained by City as well as utility companies at no expense to the City. CL seconded the motion and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

8. Dr. Gail Medford acting as spokesman for the Library Board at Kurth Memorial Library along with other members of the Board including Pitser Garrison, Mrs. H. J. Shands, Jr., Millard Zeagler, T. O. McDonough and Lloyd Schenck; also Mrs. Pitser Garrison and Mrs. T. O. McDonough, gave background on operations at Kurth Memorial Library since its first construction until the present time. He stated that expenditures for the past 12 months amounted to \$16,904.86 and income of \$16,430.83. He stated that the City now contributes \$3,600.00 a year to the operating expense of the Library and that if such donations were increased to \$10,000.00 that the Library would be in a position to seek federal grants for operating expenses and suggested the City give consideration to increasing their donations to cover operations of the Library to this amount.

DVS asked if the Library Board had approached the County for any participation in operating cost. Dr. Medford stated this was done several years ago without success. Mayor thanked Dr. Medford and Board members for their presence and stated the City Commission would give consideration to their request for additional contributions, which if approved, would be included in the new Budget now in the preparation stage.

9. WEW opened and the Mayor read the following bids on bookkeeping machines:

National Cash Register	\$6,795.00
Freight	<u>63.00</u>
Total	\$6,858.00
Burroughs Corporation	\$5,699.98

Mayor appointed a committee composed of ECW, Chairman, CL and BMcN to study the bids and make recommendations at a later meeting.

10. WEW opened and Mayor read bids on construction of two additional Fire Stations:

CONTRACTOR	BASE BID	ALTERNATE #1	COMPLETION TIME
P. H. Delk, Gen. Cont. 1815 Highland Mesquite, Texas	\$117,800.00	\$400.00 Deduct	180 Calendar Days
R. E. Grimes Const. Co. 1024 E. Denman Lufkin, Texas	\$133,798.00	\$475.00 Add.	150 Calendar Days
L. Richardson & Sons 1406 N. Raguet Lufkin, Texas	\$117,780.00	\$885.00 Add.	210 Calendar Days
Temple Associates P.O. Box 730 Diboll, Texas	\$122,378.00	\$930.00 Add.	No Date
Thomas & Thompson Const. Co. P.O. Box 1502 Lufkin, Texas	\$116,280.00	No Bid	180 Calendar Days

WEW recommended that these bids be gone over by the City Commission with Architect at an early date since the bids seem to be in excess of money available. City Commission concurred with recommendation.

11. WEW opened and Mayor read seven bids on gasoline and oil supplier for the City of Lufkin for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 1968 thru September 30, 1969. Copy of each bid is attached as appendix to these minutes.

WEW stated would like authority to study bids, tabulate same and make recommendation at next meeting for awarding contract for this business. City Commission concurred with recommendation.

12. WEW presented map prepared by State Highway Department showing construction of Lufkin Avenue in the vicinity of Post Office and requested City Commission consider eliminating parking on both sides of Lufkin Avenue from Shepherd to where Lufkin Avenue intersects with Chestnut, due to present congestion.

BMcN made motion that City Commission authorize banning of parking on both sides of Lufkin Avenue from Shepherd to where it intersects with Chestnut and that Ordinance be drawn up by DW to cover. BEA seconded the motion and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

13. WEW suggested a date for interviewing Consulting Engineering firms be set for sewer treatment plant work. After some discussion it was the decision of the City Commission that date for this interview meeting be set for October 3, 1968, beginning at 1:30 P.M.

14. WEW also suggested that date be set for interviewing financial advisors in connection with the sewer treatment plant work and the date of October 10, 1968, was decided upon beginning at 1:30 P.M.

15. WEW stated would like to call a City Commission meeting in order to conduct a public hearing on the budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, and suggested the date of September 27, be set for this is about the last date that could be considered for such hearing. This date was decided upon by the City Commission and the time for such hearing to begin was set for 1:30 P.M.

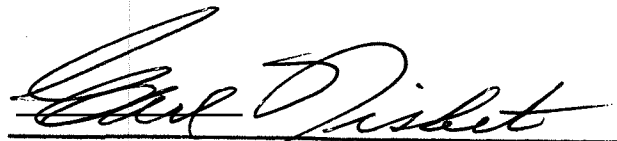
16. WEW requested informal meeting with the City Commission members to discuss the different facets of this new budget. It was the decision that the City Commission meet at Petty's for luncheon on September 18, 1968.

17. WEW requested approval for paving of approximately 1250 ft. on Smith Street with curb and gutter. He stated that \$4,315.86 in cash had been received from owners and \$1,110.73 in notes had been signed by property owners leaving a balance owing by property owners of \$1,457.50. He stated this street would be 30 ft. in width with asphalt type paving. BMcN made motion that this request for paving be approved. ECW seconded the motion and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

18. BEA called attention to traffic light on Frank Avenue that still was not working properly. WEW will handle.


19. BEA inquired if any information was available on violation of zoning Ordinance in the construction of an apartment building on Ellis with regard to off street parking. WEW stated that he, DW and Building Inspector would discuss this matter with BEA.

20. BEA inquired if Southern Pacific Railroad was going to make repairs to crossing at several street intersections. WEW stated had been in contact with Roadmaster and they were going to repair crossings, but were not going to remove wooden timbers at Burke Street crossing.
21. CL stated he was interested in exploring the idea of contracting street repair work. After some discussion WEW stated would look into the matter and make recommendation at next meeting.
22. WOR inquired as to the feasibility of paving a short section of Chestnut Street North of Lufkin Avenue which was in a deplorable condition and made motion to this effect. Discussion developed and WEW stated will bring cost figures at next meeting for such work and WOR withdrew his motion awaiting such information.
23. ECW inquired of WEW if any decision had been made on lighting in front of City Hall. WEW will come up with a firm recommendation on such lighting at the second meeting in October.
24. DVS called attention to Texas Municipal League meeting, Region 16, scheduled at the Jack Tarr in Orange on September 19, 1968, and requested all who could to attend this meeting.
25. There being no further business for consideration, meeting was adjourned at 9:00 P.M.



Mayor - City of Lufkin, Texas

ATTEST:



City Secretary - City of Lufkin, Texas