MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS, HELD ON THE 20TH DAY OF JULY, 1971, AT 7:30 P. M.

On the 20th day of July, 1971, 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:

Pitser H. Garrison Roy L. Leamon, M.D. J. T. Hopson Edgar C. Wareing W. O. Ricks, Jr. B. E. Atkinson, Jr., M.D. Robert L. Flournoy Lynn Durham Mayor Commissioner, Ward No. 1 Commissioner, Ward No. 2 Commissioner, Ward No. 4 Commissioner at Large, Place A Commissioner at Large, Place B City Attorney City Secretary

being present, and

Kenneth R. Crain Harvey Westerholm Commissioner, Ward No. 3 City Manager

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

- 1. Meeting opened with prayer by Rev. Bill Hines, Pastor of Parkview Baptist Church, Lufkin, Texas. Mayor thanked Rev. Hines for his participation and invited him to remain for the entire meeting or to leave as he so desired.
- 2. Mayor Garrison welcomed several visitors who were in attendance, and expressed appreciation for their interest in City affairs.
- 3. <u>Approval of Minutes</u>

Comm. B. E. Atkinson, Jr., M.D., made motion that minutes of regular meeting of July 6, 1971, be approved. Comm. Roy L. Leamon, M.D., seconded the motion and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

4. Zone Change Application - Hershel F. Ezell from R-1 District to A District, Covering Property Located South of Pershing, East of Southwood (Bynum) and Adjoining Three sides of Parkview Baptist Church Property.

City Attorney Flournoy read caption of Ordinance for second reading covering the above proposed zone change and Mayor Garrison inquired if there were any persons present to object to the change and there were none. Comm. B. E. Atkinson, Jr., M.D., made motion that Ordinance be passed on second reading. Comm. J. T. Hopson seconded the motion and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

5. Request for Sewer Service for Citizens on Joyce Lane Outside City Limits Off U. S. Highway 69 East

Messrs. C. A. Neal and Dale Bollier were present and requested permission to lay a sewer line 0.3 of a mile outside City Limits off U. S. Highway 69 East, near Leslo Sales. Mr. Neal, acting as spokesman, stated that approximately 30 families were involved with this request and that they were having serious problems with raw sewage and Health Officer had checked the situation and requested correction. He stated that the citizens proposed to lay the sewer line in accordance with City specifications and subject to City inspection and requested City Commission approval of this construction and permission to tie on to City sewer line at no expense to the City. Hayne Stokes, Public Works Director, stated there would be no problems involved and that the line proposed to be installed would handle approximately 75 people. Comm. W. O. Ricks, Jr., stated there was a probability that more than 30 families were involved. Hayne Stokes further stated that these citizens were now connected on to City water. Comm. E. C. Wareing asked if any consideration had been given by the above citizens of requesting the City to annex their property, it being brought out that if this was done it would be the City's obligation to

lay the sewer line. Mr. Neal stated that he could only speak for himself and Mr. Bollier, as he did not know the reaction of the other citizens involved on possible annexation by the City. Comm. B. E. Atkinson, Jr., M.D., made motion that authority be given by the City Commission for the laying of the proposed sewer line in accordance with City specifications and inspections. Motion seconded by Comm. Roy L. Leamon, M.D., and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

Comms. B. E. Atkinson, Jr., M.D., and Roy L. Leamon, M.D., both stated steps should be taken through regular channels for annexation by the City of this area as soon as possible.

# 6. Sale of Old School Buildings - Brandon Park

Mayor Garrison stated City Commission authority has been requested to advertise for bids covering the demolition and sale of old Brandon School buildings in order to be able to utilize the area as a park facility, which was recently approved by the City Commission and agreement entered into with Lufkin Independent School District. Max Griffin, Director of Parks and Recreation, was present and stated this authority should be granted in order to make full use of this property as a park. Comm. E. C. Wareing made motion that authority be granted to advertise for bids for these old buildings. Motion seconded by Comm. J. T. Hopson and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

# 7. Invoice - Joe M. Nall

Mayor Garrison called attention to Invoice received from Joe M. Nall and Associates covering professional services in connection with the Lufkin Telephone Exchange Rate Case covering the month of June, in the amount of \$7,634.59, and stated the invoice gave details of all charges. City Attorney Flournoy stated the amount was somewhat higher than anticipated but was satisfied with the work performed and recommended approval. Comm. W. O. Ricks, Jr., stated that a possible study of this invoice by the City Commission in executive session might be in order since he was not too familiar with the work. However, after further discussion, Comm. Roy L. Leamon, M.D., made motion that payment of this invoice be authorized. Motion seconded by Comm. J. T. Hopson and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

8. Invoice - Municipal Code Corporation

Mayor Garrison called attention to invoice from Municipal Code Corporation, Tallahassee, Florida, in amount of \$2,000.00 covering work in connection with publication of the Code of Ordinances for the City of Lufkin which was due upon submission of manuscript to the City. City Attorney Flournoy stated an editorial conference on the manuscript received was held last week and the invoice was in accordance with contract. Comm. B. E. Atkinson, Jr., M.D., made motion that payment of this invoice be authorized. Motion seconded by Comm. W. O. Ricks, Jr., and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

## 9. Legal Matters - Sewer Plant & Lufkin Telephone Exchange, Inc.

Mayor Garrison inquired of City Attorney Flournoy if any information had been received on the Sewer Plant Case and Lufkin Telephone Exchange Rate Case. City Attorney Flournoy stated no information had been received but was expecting same at any time.

#### 10. City of Lufkin Bond Rating

Comm. W. O. Ricks, Jr., inquired if City had taken any steps to improve the present bond rating of the City and thought that, if the bond rating could be improved upon, it would amount to considerable saving to the City in sale of bonds. Mayor Garrison stated the City was now approaching the time to consider sale of sewer bonds that were recently voted and thought the City should begin to make preparation for such sale covering the proposed new sewer plant, bond rating, etc., and John Wilkins, Director of Finance, was instructed to check into this matter with City Manager and Fiscal Agent and report later on his findings.

11. Stop Signs (Copeland & Allendale)

Comm. W. O. Ricks, Jr., called attention to 4-way stop signs at Copeland and Allendale which have been installed by City, removed by unknown persons, and replaced several times. Hayne Stokes, Public Works Director, stated this matter had been turned over to the Police Department to apprehend person or persons who have been removing these signs.

# 12. Accesses to Loop 287

Comm. E. C. Wareing asked if City Planning and Zoning Commission had made study covering accesses to Loop 287 at all primary thoroughfares and loops and thought a recommendation should come from this group for proposed Ordinance to regulate such accesses. City Secretary stated this item had not been discussed but would be on the agenda for the City Planning and Zoning Commission for next regular meeting scheduled for July 22, 1971.

### 13. Budget Study

Comm. B. E. Atkinson, Jr., M.D., inquired as to when a discussion would be held on the proposed budget for fiscal year beginning October 1, 1971, recently submitted to the City Commission members by the City Manager. Mayor Garrison stated as soon as City Manager returned from vacation, meeting would be scheduled for discussion of the proposed budget.

14. Request for Water Service on Homer-Alto Rd. by R. H. Duncan and Other Residents

City Attorney Flournoy called attention to letter from the Woodlawn Water Supply Corp. addressed to City Manager Westerholm dated July 13, 1971, copy of which was furnished to City Commission members and which is quoted below:

"After consultation with our engineers, the Board of Directors of Woodlawn Water Supply Corporation find that the present water system is not adequate to furnish water for the new sub-division under construction off Highway 103, by R. Duncan Construction Co. For this reason the Board must regretfully decline Mr. Duncan's request for water service."

No action was taken by the City Commission on this request other than instructed that map of the area be prepared with relationship to City lines and presented to City Commission for study. Discussion brought out the fact that the City was nearing its capacity to furnish water outside City Limits. Also in studying the above request, if permission was granted for the tie-on, all lines in the area must be to the City's specifications.

# 15. Adjournment

There being no further business for consideration, meeting was adjourned at 8:45 P.M., and the City Commission were into executive session to discuss personnel and legal problems.

1 103a reco

Mayor - City of Lufkin, Texas

ATTEST:

City Secretary - City of Lufkin, Texas

-3-