

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS, HELD ON THE 4TH DAY OF JUNE, 1974, AT 7:30 P. M.

On the 4th day of June, 1974, the City Commission of the City of Lufkin, Texas, convened in regular meeting in the Council Room at City Hall with the following members thereof, to-wit:

Pitser H. Garrison	Mayor
R. A. Brookshire	Commissioner, Ward No. 1
Pat Foley	Commissioner, Ward No. 2
Joe E. Rich	Commissioner, Ward No. 3
E. C. Wareing	Commissioner, Ward No. 4
W. O. Ricks, Jr.	Commissioner at Large, Place A
E. G. Pittman	Commissioner at Large, Place B
Harvey Westerholm	City Manager
Roger G. Johnson	City Secretary

being present, and

Robert L. Flournoy	City Attorney
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being absent, constituting a quorum, when the following business was transacted:

1. Meeting opened with prayer by Rev. J. Carl Wright, Pastor of First Church of God, Lufkin, Texas.
2. Mayor Garrison welcomed a small group of visitors who were present in connection with items on the agenda or as observers.

3. Approval of Minutes

Comm. Pat Foley made motion that minutes of regular meeting of May 21, 1974, be approved. Motion was seconded by Comm. E. C. Wareing and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

4. Street Easement Closing - Elmer O. Brumble III

Mayor Garrison explained that street easement closing request by Elmer O. Brumble III had been postponed during last regular meeting for consideration during this meeting, but information received from City Attorney requested members of Commission not consider this item until meeting of June 18, 1974. Mayor Garrison stated Mr. Brumble had contacted City Attorney Flournoy that he had not resolved the issue with Mr. Huber and requested the item be postponed until the June 18 meeting. Mayor Garrison asked Mr. Clay Dark, attorney for Mr. Huber, if this item could not be considered during next regular meeting of June 18, 1974. Following a brief discussion, members of Commission unanimously agreed that this item be considered during next regular meeting as discussed.

5. Zone Change Application-Cleve Day from R-2 Dist. to C District

Mayor Garrison stated that zone change application by Cleve Day from R-2 District to C District covering property located East of Loop 287 at the South end of Maxwell Street had been approved on first reading of ordinance during last regular meeting.

There were no persons present appearing in objection to zone change application as presented. Comm. E. C. Wareing made motion that zone change application by Cleve Day from R-2 District to C District covering property as previously described be approved on second and final reading of ordinance. Motion was seconded by Comm. E. G. Pittman and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

6. Zone Change Application-Everett Griffith, Jr., from LB District to CB District

Mayor Garrison stated that zone change application by Everett Griffith, Jr., from LB District to CB District covering property located South of Paul Avenue between Third and Fourth Streets

and immediately North of Bremond Avenue covering Lots 10, 11 and 12, Block 31 in the Original Townsite of Lufkin, Texas, had been approved on first reading of ordinance during last regular meeting.

There were no persons present appearing in objection to zone change application as presented. Comm. E. C. Wareing made motion that zone change application by Everett Griffith, Jr., from LB District to CB District covering property as previously described be approved on second and final reading of ordinance. Motion was seconded by Comm. E. G. Pittman and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

7. Zone Change Application-Woody Gann from R-1 District to A District

Mayor Garrison stated that zone change application by Woody Gann from R-1 District to A District covering property located West of Forest Hills Subdivision, adjoining Kentwood Subdivision, and East of U. S. Highway 59 South, had been approved on first reading of ordinance during last regular meeting.

There were no persons present appearing in objection to zone change application as presented. Comm. E. C. Wareing made motion that zone change application by Woody Gann from R-1 District to A District covering property as previously described be approved on second and final reading of ordinance. Motion was seconded by Comm. E. G. Pittman and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

8. Zone Change Application-John Lee Slaughter from NR District to CB District

Mayor Garrison stated that zone change application by John Lee Slaughter from NR District to CB District covering property located West of Bynum Street and South of Old Union Road near intersection with Bynum Street and Old Union Road had been approved on first reading of ordinance during last regular meeting.

There were no persons present appearing in objection to zone change application as presented. Comm. E. C. Wareing made motion that zone change application by John Lee Slaughter from NR District to CB District covering property as previously described be approved on second and final reading of ordinance. Motion was seconded by Comm. E. G. Pittman and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

9. Lufkin Telephone Exchange Franchise - Approval

Mayor Garrison explained that telephone exchange franchise had been approved on first reading of ordinance during last regular meeting by deleting Section 7b in accordance with information as furnished by City Attorney. Members of Commission had no further questions regarding ordinance and Comm. W. O. Ricks, Jr., made motion that Lufkin Telephone Exchange franchise be approved on second and final reading of ordinance by deleting Section 7b as previously approved. Motion was seconded by Comm. R. A. Brookshire and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

10. Water Pollution Control Plant-Approval for Purchase of Training & Operation Manual - HDR

City Manager Westerholm stated that since last regular meeting he had received two independent bid proposals to the City of Lufkin for Operational & Maintenance Manual and Plant Start-Up and Personnel Training.

City Manager Westerholm explained that proposal from Mr. L. C. Carlton, President of Marlach, Inc., had been received and another proposal from Joe Copeland, Jr.. The following information was submitted by City Manager Westerholm:

Operational & Maintenance Manual

Start-Up Training

HDR	\$11,000	HDR	\$7,000
Copeland	7,500	Copeland	-0-
Carlton	8,750	Carlton	9,600

Considerable discussion developed and Comm. W. O. Ricks, Jr., expressed his desire that HDR should complete the Operational & Training Manual inasmuch as they were more familiar with the operation and the City could place more responsibility in their behalf.

City Manager Westerholm explained that quotes received from two independent engineers were almost equal to HDR estimates and recommended that HDR be permitted to complete this work accordingly.

Comm. R. A. Brookshire made motion that HDR be granted authority to complete Operational & Training Manual in accordance with cost estimates presented not to exceed amounts as listed above. Motion was seconded by Comm. E. C. Wareing.

Prior to vote on motion and second, Mayor Garrison asked City Manager Westerholm if Start-Up and Manual costs may possibly be less than amounts stated above. City Manager Westerholm stated that these figures could be less than stated and Mayor Garrison further stated that providing Water Pollution Control Plant Superintendent expedited his training operation, a considerable savings would be experienced by the City. A unanimous affirmative vote was then recorded to previous motion and second.

11. Change Order #6 - Stephens Contracting Company

City Manager Westerholm stated that Stephens Contracting Company had requested a 150 calendar day contract completion time extension under the condition that line "A" would receive first priority of construction and be completed by the original contract completion date of July 12, 1974, with no changes in cost. City Manager Westerholm further stated it was his opinion that Stephens Contracting Company would complete this project as soon as possible and wet weather had caused delays which had caused this request for extension.

A brief discussion developed, and Comm. R. A. Brookshire made motion that Stephens Contracting Company be granted an additional 120-day extension of contract completion time in lieu of 150 days as requested. Motion was seconded by Comm. Joe E. Rich and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

12. Civic Center Construction - Discussion

Mayor Garrison called on Mr. Jerry Hill, who was present representing Hill, Weiner, Morgan & O'Neal Architectural Firm, in behalf of Civic Center construction. Mr. Hill introduced representatives of the Herman Bennett Company of Brownwood, Texas, to include Ben Barnes and Carl Worley.

Mr. Hill distributed information to members of the Commission regarding possible modifications which could save approximately \$100,000 on construction cost and \$50,000 on sound equipment for a total amount of \$150,000.

Various possible alterations in basic Civic Center design were discussed and Mr. Hill recommended that members of Commission call a work session to provide an opportunity for review of pictures, samples and other information.

Mayor Garrison stated that members of Commission should be basically concerned with the bid for construction of Civic Center at present and the assumption that the basic bid could be reduced in compliance with information furnished by Mr. Hill. Mr. Hill cautioned members of Commission that Civic

Center was designed as a first class building and too many revisions would defeat the original purpose intended.

Mayor Garrison called on Mr. Ben Barnes, representing the Herman Bennett Company, who made the observation that his company desired to initiate action as soon as possible, and if bid was granted to his company, every effort would be made to complete construction as soon as possible inasmuch as materials for construction were constantly rising in cost.

City Manager Westerholm stated that an additional \$400,000 would be necessary to complete financing of Civic Center based on current estimates. City Manager Westerholm further stated that members of Commission had until June 15, 1974, to determine actual awarding of bid, and with project estimates as presented, an additional \$175,000 from present budget may possibly be available by the end of the fiscal year to be used for construction, if necessary.

City Manager Westerholm further reported that the remaining approximate \$250,000 could be obtained through certificates of obligation up to as much as \$375,000, if necessary.

Mayor Garrison stated that all necessary changes should be made on Civic Center construction before bid was actually awarded. Mr. Barnes requested members of Commission convey to his company a preliminary opinion that Council was seriously considering acceptance of bid as submitted.

Mayor Garrison then suggested that members of Commission allow acceptance of bid subject to negotiations of items as submitted by Mr. Hill in outline as presented. Comm. Pat Foley then made motion that acceptance of bid presented by Herman Bennett Company be allowed subject to negotiations of items as outlined by Mr. Hill. Motion was seconded by Comm. W. O. Ricks, Jr., and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

Mr. Barnes stated that he would be happy to attend work session as previously discussed and anticipated, if necessary. Mayor Garrison thanked all representatives of the Herman Bennett Company in behalf of their cooperation in this regard.

13. Water Pollution Control Plant - Gulf Park - Discussion

Comm. E. G. Pittman inquired as to the status of the Water Pollution Control Plant construction. City Manager Westerholm stated that construction was progressing as scheduled and a completion date of mid-July was anticipated.

Comm. E. G. Pittman also inquired as to the status of tennis court construction in Gulf Park. City Manager Westerholm stated that Mr. Griffin was not present to reveal this particular information, but stated he would have Parks & Recreation Director, Max Griffin, call him in this regard as soon as possible.

14. Civic Center Construction - Work Session

Comm. R. A. Brookshire requested that members of Commission conduct a work session concerning alterations in Civic Center construction at City Hall in the Council Chambers within the next week, if possible. Mayor Garrison stated that he was in agreement with suggestion as presented by Comm. R. A. Brookshire and proposed meeting could be called with approval of City Council as soon as Mr. Hill had all information available for recommendation to City Commission.

15. Cablecom General, Inc. - Monthly Report

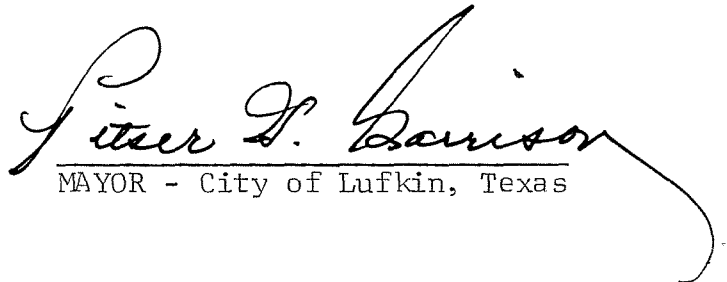
Comm. E. G. Pittman stated that he had reviewed a copy of monthly report from Cablecom General, Inc., and asked City Manager Westerholm to comment regarding news summaries. City Manager Westerholm stated that Channel 10 would be showing an 8- to 10-minute summary of national and international news which would be repeated throughout the hour and updated accordingly.

Comm. W. O. Ricks, Jr., asked that Cablecom General be recognized for their contribution and participation in the Bike-a-thon and presentation of the Goodyear blimp to the City. City Manager Westerholm stated that he previously written a letter in appreciation from the City for their cooperation in this regard.

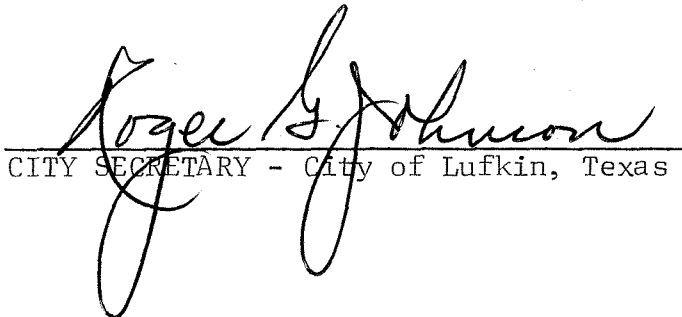
Comm. E. C. Wareing also asked City Manager Westerholm to send a letter of thanks to Cablecom General, Inc., for their televised section regarding the Lufkin High School graduation on Channel 7 and other improvements in the cable system as stated.

16. Adjournment

There being no further business for consideration, meeting adjourned at 8:45 P. M.


MAYOR - City of Lufkin, Texas

ATTEST:


CITY SECRETARY - City of Lufkin, Texas