

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS, HELD ON THE 19TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1974, AT 5:00 PM

Pitser H. Garrison	Mayor
R. A. Brookshire	Commissioner, Ward No. 1
J. T. Hopson	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
Robert L. Flournoy	City Attorney
Roger G. Johnson	City Secretary

being present, and

Harvey Westerholm	City Manager
-------------------	--------------

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

1. Meeting opened with prayer by Rev. Jim Salles, Associate Pastor of Denman Avenue Baptist Church, Lufkin, Texas.
2. Mayor Garrison welcomed a large group of visitors who were present in connection with items on the agenda and as observers.
3. Approval of Minutes

Comm. E. G. Pittman made motion that minutes of regular meeting of February 5, 1974, be approved. Motion was seconded by Comm. J. T. Hopson and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

4. Beautify Lufkin Council Advisory Board-Award Presentation

Mayor Garrison explained the purpose of the Beautify Lufkin Council Advisory Board since the City of Lufkin initially entered the Beautify Lufkin campaign sponsored by the Beautify Texas Council in cooperation with the Governor's office. Mayor Garrison stated that this program had been implemented in the City in order to place special interest on the overall improvement of Lufkin. Mayor Garrison complimented all participants of the Beautify Lufkin campaign and explained the importance of this program to the City and the many visible accomplishments resulting from the work of these groups. Mayor Garrison then introduced the following members of the Beautify Lufkin Council Advisory Board:

Joe Byrd - Chairman	Mrs. William B. Shelton
Walter Atwell	Will Zbranek
Mrs. E. W. Leach	Clayton F. Jircik

All of the above listed members were present with the exception of Clayton F. Jircik. Mayor Garrison also introduced Mr. & Mrs. Joe Byrd and Larry Ross, who were present, and expressed his appreciation for their active involvement in the Beautify Lufkin program. Mayor Garrison stated that Mr. Bob Bowman, who could not be present at this meeting, should also be recognized for his contributions to the Beautify Lufkin program.

Mayor Garrison then called on Mrs. E. W. Leach who introduced Mrs. Carol Allen. Mrs. Allen then presented awards for the three top projects completed by Civic Clubs within the City as listed:

<u>Award</u>	<u>Club</u>	<u>Project</u>
First Place	Evening Lions Club	Calder Square Project
Second Place	Hemerocallis Society	Post Office Grounds
Third Place	Flower Garden Club	Zoo Entrance

Mayor Garrison then presented certificates to the following civic groups that participated in the Beautify Lufkin program and expressed his appreciation for a job well done:

Dogwood Garden Club - City Hall Grounds  
Crepe Myrtle Garden Club - Fire Station #4  
Lufkin Service League - Museum  
Lufkin Garden Club - Kurth Memorial Library  
Sprig & Twig Garden Club - Chambers Park  
Noon Lions Club - Ellen Trout Park  
Kiwanis Club & Ki-Anns - Civic Club Park  
Ladies Auxiliary Fire Dept. - Fire Station #5  
Altrusa Club - Lufkin Avenue Esplanades  
Lufkin Jaycees - Brandon Center  
Leo Club - Winston Park  
Rotary Club & Rotary Anns - Angelina College Entrance  
Pilot Club - South First Street Esplanades  
Civitan Club - New Park Sign at Teener Park

Representatives from clubs as listed above were present to accept certificates presented by Mayor Garrison for their participation in the Beautify Lufkin program.

Mayor Garrison then presented City Secretary a plaque to be displayed in the City Hall corridor containing the names of the various civic clubs. City Secretary accepted plaque containing the Beautification Honor Roll and stated that plaque would be displayed as requested.

5. Annexation of Property-Texas Forest Service, M. R. Ross & Robbie Warren-Annexation & Permanent Zoning-Charles A. Pate, Jr., et al - Ordinance Approved

Mayor Garrison stated that open hearings had been previously held for annexation of Texas Forest Service property and property owned by M. R. Ross and Robbie Warren located East of U. S. Highway 59 on East and West sides of Tulane Drive between Kentwood Subdivision and property owned by Charles A. Pate, Jr. Mayor Garrison also stated that previous hearing had been held on annexation and permanent zoning request by Charles A. Pate, Jr., et al, covering property located on U. S. Highway 59 South running adjacent to and parallel with U. S. Highway 59, North of Texas Forest Service property and immediately East of existing City Limits. There were no persons present appearing in objection to either of these proposals.

City Attorney Flournoy read caption of ordinance annexing Texas Forest Service property and property owned by M. R. Ross and Robbie Warren to also include annexation of property requested by Charles A. Pate, Jr., et al. Comm. E. C. Wareing then made motion that ordinance be approved on first reading annexing above described areas as stated by City Attorney Flournoy. Motion was seconded by Comm. W. O. Ricks, Jr., and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

City Attorney Flournoy then read caption of ordinance permanently zoning property as requested by Charles A. Pate, Jr., et al, to C District as indicated in application. Comm. W. O. Ricks, Jr., then made motion that ordinance be approved on first reading permanently zoning property to C District as described in application in accordance with request as presented by Charles A. Pate, Jr., et al. Motion was seconded by Comm. Joe E. Rich and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

6. Zone Change Application - Oscar Dillahunty (Lufkin Coca-Cola Bottling Company) from R-1 District to HM and LM Districts

Mayor Garrison explained that zone change application by Oscar Dillahunty (Lufkin Coca-Cola Bottling Company) from R-1 District to HM and LM Districts covering property located East of

Loop 287 (John Redditt Drive) and North of Frank Avenue between Moore Brothers Construction Company and Catholic Monastery properties was approved on first reading of ordinance at last regular Commission meeting. There were no persons present appearing in objection to zone change application. Comm. E. G. Pittman made motion that zone change application by Oscar Dillahunt (Lufkin Coca-Cola Bottling Company) from R-1 District by HM and LM Districts be approved on second and final reading. Motion was seconded by Comm. J. T. Hopson and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

7. Zone Change Application - Dr. J. H. Wade from R-2 District to LB District

Mayor Garrison stated that zone change application by Dr. J. H. Wade from R-2 District to LB District had been amended from initial request and Dr. Wade now requested a new hearing on his application to include only property North of Frank Avenue on West side of Kelley Street being Lots 1 and 2, Block 6 of the Woodland Heights Addition. Mayor Garrison called on Dr. Wade, who was present appearing in behalf of his amended request. Dr. Wade stated that he only desired to zone property to LB District located at 804 Frank Avenue and expressed his appreciation to members of the Commission for their reconsideration. There were no persons present appearing in objection to amended application as presented by Dr. Wade.

Comm. E. C. Wareing made motion that zone change application from R-2 District to LB District by Dr. J. H. Wade, covering property located immediately North of Frank Avenue on West side of Kelley Street as previously described, be approved on first reading of ordinance. Motion was seconded by Comm. Joe E. Rich.

Prior to vote on motion, Comm. E. G. Pittman asked Dr. Wade if he was aware of the dangerous traffic problem existing at the corner of Frank Avenue and Kelley Street because of excessively high growth of switchcane at the corner of this intersection which had caused a blind corner. Comm. E. G. Pittman stated that several accidents had occurred at this corner since 1969 as a primary result of the blind corner situation existing there. Dr. Wade stated that he had previously been given authority from the Texas Highway Department to leave his fence at this location after the widening of Frank Avenue. Mayor Garrison expressed his personal concern that this particular location was creating a hazardous traffic condition. Dr. Wade informed members of the Commission that he would personally attend to this problem at this location and trim hedge to resolve blind corner conditions.

Having previously received a motion and second, a unanimous affirmative vote was then recorded approving ordinance on first reading.

8. Cablecom General, Inc. - Monthly Report

Mayor Garrison stated that Mr. Tom Lacy, Divisional Manager of Cablecom General, was present with Mr. Jim Adams, new Manager of Cablecom. Mr. Lacy reviewed Cablecom statement of operations for the year ending November 30, 1973, which revealed a 3.8 per cent return on investments. Mayor Garrison then called on Mr. Jim Adams who reviewed the monthly report by Cablecom which indicated the following:

- a. Completion of cable system connections at Timberidge Apartment project;
- b. Replacement of electronic answering service device with answering service operated by an employee;
- c. Replacement of original "protection message" with a more understandable and attractive poster;

- d. Arrangement of meetings with owners of Scenic Acres Mobile Home Park and Chateau Apartments to resolve problems; and
- e. Discussion of technical survey of existing Cablecom system with Merle Saxon.

Mayor Garrison stated that Mr. Lloyd Schenck had recently received a letter in reply to his complaints regarding the Cablecom system. Mayor Garrison stated that he had personally read a copy of reply to Mr. Schenck's letter from Cablecom General and Mr. Schenck was pleased with the response by Cablecom General. Mayor Garrison desired other members of the Commission receive a copy of this letter in order that a better understanding of the existing cable system could be made available to the public. Mr. Adams stated that he would furnish members of the Commission a copy of this letter for public review and further stated that his company was considering the replacement of old antennas to up-grade existing service.

Comm. Joe E. Rich inquired as to whether or not the Cablecom Company was currently owned by the main office in Denver, Colorado. Mr. Adams stated that the Denver office still owned Cablecom General.

9. Fenley & Fenley Law Firm Remodeling-Easement Request-Bill Fenley

Mayor Garrison called on Mr. Bill Fenley, who was present to request construction easement from the City of Lufkin for building improvements of the Fenley & Fenley Law Firm offices (Lufkin Abstract Company) located between Lufkin Federal Savings & Loan Association and Lufkin Avenue. Mr. Fenley stated that law offices of Fenley & Fenley were in need of remodeling which would necessitate the use of a two-inch City easement on the back and side of the firm's existing property. Mr. Fenley stated that this remodeling would help improve the appearance of the present building from the back and side exposures. It was further determined that decision regarding procurement of two-inch easement at back and side of property would be necessary as soon as possible in order to begin construction.

In the absence of the City Manager, members of the Commission preferred to make decision regarding this request by Mr. Fenley subject to approval by the City Manager. Comm. E. C. Wareing then made motion that two-inch easement at back and side of property as requested by Mr. Fenley for construction and improvement for existing facility be granted subject to approval by City Manager. Motion was seconded by Comm. E. G. Pittman and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

Comm. E. C. Wareing expressed his opinion that this improvement would help beautify this particular area.

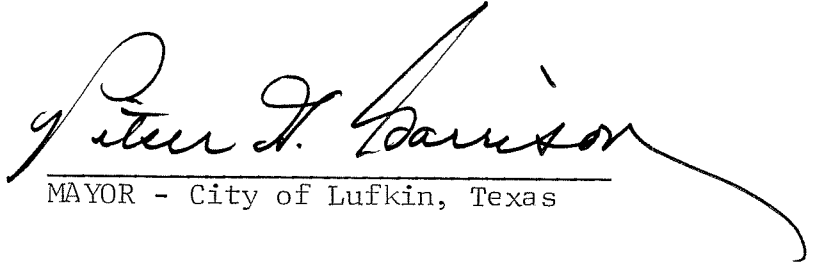
10. Alley Closing-Kiln & Ellis Avenues-Property Owner Petition

Mayor Garrison announced that previously scheduled hearing to consider proposed closing of alley between Kiln and Ellis Avenues as requested by petitioners within this area, and represented by Mr. Larry Byrd, Attorney, had been temporarily delayed to allow all parties involved an opportunity to resolve request. Mayor Garrison then dismissed all parties involved for a brief discussion regarding this request which was considered later during the meeting.

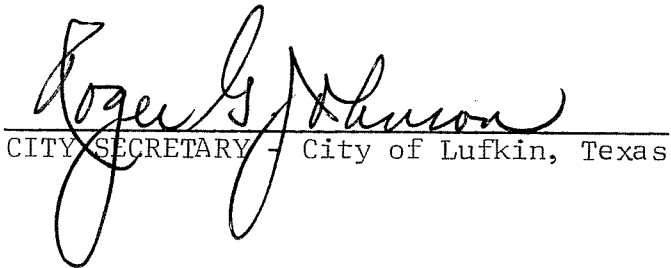
Upon completion of discussion between all parties involved on petition request to close alley, Mayor Garrison called meeting back to order and announced that City Attorney Flournoy had informed him that previous announced open hearing would not be necessary for the purpose of closing alley based on the fact that conditions of request had been resolved between property owners.

11. Adjournment

There being no further business for consideration, meeting was adjourned at 6:03 P. M.

  
MAYOR - City of Lufkin, Texas

ATTEST:

  
CITY SECRETARY - City of Lufkin, Texas