

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS, HELD ON THE 19TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 1989, AT 5:00 P.M.

On the 19th day of December, 1989, the City Commission of the City of Lufkin, Texas, convened in regular meeting in the Council Chambers of City Hall with the following members thereof, to wit:

Louis A. Bronaugh	Mayor
Percy Simond, Jr.	Commissioner, Ward No. 1
Don Boyd	Commissioner, Ward No. 2
Bob Bowman	Commissioner, Ward No. 4
Jack Gorden	Commissioner, Ward No. 5
Paul Mayberry	Commissioner, Ward No. 6
Harvey Westerholm	City Manager
Robert Flournoy	City Attorney
Ron Wesch	Public Works Director
Atha Stokes	City Secretary

being present, and

Danny Roper	Commissioner, Ward 3
Brian Boudreaux	Assistant City Manager

being absent when the following business was transacted.

1. Meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. Joe E. Lamb, Minister, St. Paul's United Methodist Church.

2. Mayor Bronaugh welcomed visitors present.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of regular meeting of December 5, 1989 were approved on a motion by Commissioner Don Boyd and seconded by Commissioner Bob Bowman. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

4. ORDINANCE - APPROVED - SECOND READING - ZONE CHANGE - WESLEY AND LYNNECE BREWER - 2500 BLOCK OF LOTUS LANE - RL TO RS

Mayor Bronaugh stated that the first item for consideration was Second Reading of an Ordinance for Zone Change request by Wesley G. and Lynnece Brewer covering property located at the 2500 block of Lotus Lane from Residential Large to Residential Small.

Motion was made by Commissioner Don Boyd and seconded by Commissioner Bob Bowman that Ordinance for Zone Change for Wesley G. and Lynnece Brewer covering property at the 2500 block of Lotus Lane be approved on Second and Final Reading as presented. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

5. ORDINANCE - APPROVED - FIRST READING - LIQUID WASTE HAULERS - SEWER TREATMENT PLANT FEES

Mayor Bronaugh stated that the next item for consideration was First Reading of Ordinance regulating liquid waste haulers and setting fees at the Sewer Treatment Plant.

Mayor Bronaugh stated that this item had been discussed at last meeting. Mayor Bronaugh stated that the City Manager had received a letter from Bobby Mott, Sewer Treatment Plant Superintendent, stating that he had met with Doyle Oliver and Tim Hill regarding the provisions of the Ordinance and they had agreed on the forms to be used. Mr. Mott's letter indicated that the cost of fees is still an issue to be resolved.

Mr. Oliver stated that he objected to Section 9 "f" on page 10, paragraph 6, which he feels curtails the use of his vehicle. Mr. Oliver stated that he would like for the City to eliminate "c" under this Section and reword item "f" to read: "A transporter shall empty and clean the container and equipment of all previously handled incompatible and hazardous wastes before transporting waste to the City facility."

Motion was made by Commissioner Paul Mayberry and seconded by Commissioner Bob Bowman that Ordinance be approved on First Reading with corrections to Section 10, items "c" and "f". A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

6. PUBLIC HEARING DATE - DENIED - ANNEXATION/PERMANENT ZONING - FM 819

Mayor Bronaugh stated that the next item for consideration was establishment of Public Hearing date for Annexation and Permanent Zoning of property on either side of FM 819, being south of Loop 287 between Daniel McCall Drive on the east and Southern Pacific railroad on the west.

In response to question by Commissioner Simond, Mayor Bronaugh stated that there had been some misunderstanding between the Planning and Zoning Commission and the City Commission on this annexation and since the Public Hearing had already been advertised in the newspaper, the P & Z Commission was advised by the City Attorney to go ahead with the Public Hearing.

City Attorney Flournoy stated that the P & Z Commission has made a recommendation to the City Commission to annex this property, but the City Commission does not have to take their recommendation.

Motion was made by Commissioner Bob Bowman and seconded by Commissioner Jack Gorden not to proceed with Public Hearing for annexation of property along FM 819. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

7. PUBLIC HEARING DATE - SET - ANNEXATION/PERMANENT ZONING - HOMER/ALTO ROAD

Mayor Bronaugh stated that the next item for consideration was establishment of a Public Hearing date for Annexation and Permanent Zoning of property on Homer-Alto Road west of Loop 287.

City Manager Westerholm stated that at the request of the City Commission he had contacted Rufus Duncan, and Mr. Duncan stated that he prefers to be annexed into the City and have sewer service when it can be made available.

In response to question by Commissioner Mayberry, City Manager Westerholm stated that there are several other property owners who will be included in the area to be annexed.

Mayor Bronaugh stated that an industrial park is being developed in this area and the annexation would be in the best interest of everyone concerned.

Motion was made by Commissioner Bob Bowman and seconded by Commissioner Paul Mayberry that the Public Hearing for property on Homer-Alto Road west of Loop 287 be set for January 2, 1990. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

8. PROPOSAL - APPROVED - CHAMPIONS DRIVE IMPROVEMENT - SABINE INVESTMENT COMPANY

Mayor Bronaugh stated that the next item for consideration was proposal from Sabine Investment Company for improvements to Champions Drive.

City Manager Westerholm stated that he had received a letter from Jim Brasse proposing a complete retopping of the area of Champions Drive at the main entrance of Crown Colony all the way to Augusta, with the City furnishing the material and Sabine Investment Company contracting the labor to a City-approved paving contractor at their expense. The City of Lufkin would inspect the work to insure it meets City specifications. City Manager Westerholm stated that this proposal is favorable to the City, and he is recommending acceptance.

Public Works Director Ron Wesch stated that the Street Department has finished one-half of the streets on the list for improvements and has spent one-third of the allocated funds for this project.

Mr. Wesch stated that the funds for the Champions Drive repairs can be taken from the Street Department budget.

Motion was made by Commissioner Paul Mayberry and seconded by Commissioner Bob Bowman that proposal by Jim Brasse of Sabine Investment be approved as presented. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

9. PARKING LOT ENLARGEMENT - APPROVED - JONES PARK

Mayor Bronaugh stated that the next item for consideration was enlarging the parking lot at Jones Park.

Commissioner Percy Simond stated that Jones Park is frequented by more people than any other park in Lufkin and presently has only 8 - 10 parking spaces. Commissioner Simond stated that it would be impossible to get an emergency vehicle down into the park area when 100 or more people are attending a function there, and this could cause a possible liability to the City. Commissioner Simond stated that Don Hannabas has drawn up a proposed plan which will accommodate 93 additional vehicles.

Motion was made by Commissioner Percy Simond and seconded by Commissioner Bob Bowman that an additional parking lot off of Kurth Drive to accommodate approximately 93 additional parking spaces at Jones Park for a cost of \$15,782 be approved as presented. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

10. DENTAL INSURANCE - APPROVED - CAFETERIA PLAN

Mayor Bronaugh stated that the next item for consideration was authorization to add Dental Insurance under the Cafeteria Plan.

City Manager Westerholm stated that the staff had received several requests from City employees for a group dental plan. City Manager Westerholm stated that the proposals were presented to the employees and they preferred the provider plan of Amerident submitted by Gip Friesen and John Strain. City Manager Westerholm stated that premiums will be paid by the employees and the City will incur no cost other than the extra clerical work for participating in the 125 Cafeteria Plan.

Motion was made by Commissioner Bob Bowman and seconded by Commissioner Percy Simond that a dental insurance provider plan as submitted by Amerident be approved as presented. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

11. GROUP HOSPITALIZATION RATES - APPROVED

Mayor Bronaugh stated that the next item for consideration was approval of increase in group hospitalization rates.

City Manager Westerholm stated that a letter from David Cochran showing the suggested renewal proposal for the City's hospitalization coverage had been included in the Commissioners' packets. City Manager Westerholm stated that the recommendation includes a 15% increase in the rates.

City Manager Westerholm stated that the increase of approximately \$103,000 could be taken from the contingency fund or the Insurance Loss Fund.

In discussion of more sophisticated pre-employment examinations, Mayor Bronaugh requested that City Manager Westerholm get information on this subject and report back to the City Commission.

Robert Telford stated that he would come back to the City Commission in July and give a report on the status of claims to that date.

Commissioner Gorden stated that he would like to see the discount from employee's hospital bills refunded to the City.

Motion was made by Commissioner Don Boyd and seconded by Commissioner Paul Mayberry that the following recommendations by self insured group hospitalization administrator be accepted as presented.

1. \$10,000 maximum for AIDS treatment
2. \$10,000 maximum for mental and nervous conditions, alcoholism and substance abuse
3. Set up a Preferred Provider Organization (PPO) and revise the schedule of benefits to offer the employees an incentive to use it
4. A \$40,000 specific stop loss
5. 12 month incurred and 12 month paid coverage with the above changes for a fully funded program
6. The following rates which show a 15% increase:

Employee	\$108.77
Spouse	\$121.31
Child	\$ 68.28
Family	\$137.83

A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

12a. BID - APPROVED - REROOFING - PARKS AND RECREATION BUILDING - R. L. CARNEY ROOFING

Mayor Bronaugh stated that the next item for consideration was bids for reroofing the Parks and Recreation building.

City Manager Westerholm stated that Jerry Hill, who assisted in preparing the specifications for the roof on the Parks and Recreation building, was recommending the bid of R. L. Carney in the amount of \$19,701, which is \$10,701 over budget.

Don Hannabas, Parks and Recreation Director, stated that he had based his estimate on an asphalt built-up roof and budgeted accordingly. The roof Mr. Hill is recommending is a rubber roof similar to the roof on the new City Hall building.

Mr. Hannabas stated that by rearranging his budget he would have the funds for the full amount of the bid. Mr. Hannabas stated that he could repair, rather than replace, the damaged coping around the Winston Park Pool (\$4,000 was budgeted), and could cut the \$8,000 budgeted for the fitness trail since he did not anticipate that project be funded this fiscal year.

Motion was made by Commissioner Bob Bowman and seconded by Commissioner Percy Simond that bid of R. L. Carney Roofing in the amount of \$19,701 be accepted as presented. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

12b. BID - APPROVED - DIESEL TRACTOR - PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT - W. A. DUBOSE COMPANY

Mayor Bronaugh stated that the next item for consideration was a diesel tractor for the Parks and Recreation Department.

Mayor Bronaugh stated that Mr. Hannabas has outlined the reasons why he is not recommending the low bid and his reasoning is acceptable.

Motion was made by Commissioner Percy Simond and seconded by Commissioner Don Boyd that bid of W. A. DuBose and Son in the amount of \$12,247 be accepted as the best bid. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

12c. BID - APPROVED - MOBILE RADIOS - POLICE DEPARTMENT - JOHNSTON ELECTRONICS

Mayor Bronaugh stated that the next item for consideration was bids for mobile radios for the Police Department.

Mayor Bronaugh stated that the staff advertised for bids and only one bid was received, which Mr. Cochran chose not to open. Mayor Bronaugh stated that another bid came in after the deadline.

Commissioner Simond suggested that the one bid that was received on time be opened. City Secretary Atha Stokes opened the bid of Johnston Electronics.

Mayor Bronaugh stated that Johnston Electronics had submitted bids for two different radios - \$1,195 (each) for a Midland Syn-Tech XTR with a 2-year warranty for a total of \$4,780, and \$1,345 (each) for a Johnson radio with a 2-year warranty for a total of \$5,380.

Motion was made by Commissioner Percy Simond and seconded by Commissioner Paul Mayberry that bid of Johnston Electronics in the amount of \$4,780 be accepted as presented. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

13. COMMENTS - CABLECOM

Mayor Bronaugh stated that since several of the Commissioners have stated that they are receiving telephone calls regarding Cablecom service, he would ask Wayne Neal to be present at the next City Commission meeting to answer some specific questions.

14. There being no further business for consideration, meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.


Louis A. Bronaugh, Mayor

ATTEST:


Atha Stokes, City Secretary