

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS, HELD ON THE 23rd DAY OF MAY, 1967, AT 5:00 P. M.

On the 23rd day of May, 1967, the City Commission of the City of Lufkin, Texas convened in special meeting in the regular meeting place of said City, with the following members thereof, to-wit:

Earl Nisbet	Mayor
Dayle V. Smith	Commissioner, Ward No. 2
Byron McNeil	Commissioner, Ward No. 3
Edgar C. Wareing	Commissioner, Ward No. 4
Gene H. Nerren	Commissioner at Large, Place A
Basil E. Atkinson, Jr., M.D.	Commissioner at Large, Place B
David Walker	City Attorney (Acting City Manager)
Lynn Durham	City Secretary

being present, and

Carl Liese

Commissioner, Ward No. 1

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

1. Meeting opened with prayer by Carl Lively, member of City Planning and Zoning Commission.
2. Mayor welcomed members of the City Planning and Zoning Commission as well as members of Downtown Lufkin Inc. who were present as observers and to hear Mr. W. N. Sewell explain his program.
3. Mayor stated special meeting was called for the purpose only of hearing Mr. W. N. Sewell of the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Fort Worth, Texas and discussing other items on the Agenda.
4. Mr. W. N. Sewell was introduced by the Mayor and was requested to proceed on the subject of Housing and Urban Development. Mr. Sewell went into considerable detail covering the beginning of the Housing and Urban Development Program until the present time quoting certain laws establishing the National Housing Policy under which this program is administered. Mr. Sewell stated that in order for a City to participate in the program, it would be necessary to have a Workable Program for Community Improvement which was certified by his Department. He gave a detailed account on how a workable program was set up which was briefly as follows:

ELEMENT NO. 1

Codes and Ordinances:

Building, Plumbing, Electrical, Housing and Fire Prevention. He stated he had checked with the Inspection Department the codes the City of Lufkin has in effect and found the City to be in good shape with the exception it did not have a Housing Code or Fire Prevention Code which would be necessary in order to be certified for the Workable Program for Community Improvement.

ELEMENT NO. 2

Comprehensive Plan:

He was advised that the City of Lufkin has a Comprehensive Plan which is about three years old. He stated the City would qualify under this plan.

ELEMENT NO. 3

Neighborhood Analysis:

The City of Lufkin does not have a Neighborhood Analysis but in making application this analysis could be prepared.

ELEMENT NO. 4

Administrative Organization:

Such organization would have to be delegated by the City Commission.

ELEMENT NO. 5

Financial Arrangements:

Program would have to be funded in Budget.

ELEMENT NO. 6

Housing for Displaced Families:

A local Developer, who was present, stated he had application for such housing covering approximately 100 units which at the present time looked favorable.

ELEMENT NO. 7

Citizens Participation:

He stated it would be necessary for the Mayor and the City Commission to appoint an Advisory Committee of approximately 25 citizens made up of persons representing every segment of the people.

Mr. Sewell asked for any questions that might be directed to him from the citizens present. A number of questions were directed to Mr. Sewell by members of Downtown Lufkin, Inc., the City Planning and Zoning Commission and the City Commission to clarify points in the program and as to how it would apply to any program Lufkin might desire to initiate.

No action was taken on the program and it was the general consensus that City Commission, City Planning and Zoning Commission and Downtown Lufkin, Inc. should give the matter additional study and meet again at a later date to decide whether or not to take any definite action in the matter.

5. Mayor called on ECW, former Chairman of the City Planning and Zoning Commission, to explain to the City Planning and Zoning Commission members present the action taken by the City Commission in special meeting of May 22, 1967, at 6:00 P.M. on proposed annexation of the City of Keltys. Mayor stated ordinarily such matters were studied by the City Planning and Zoning Commission and recommendation made before City Commission action. ECW explained in detail the reason for such action by the City Commission and the proposed territory that may be annexed by the City of Lufkin.
6. Mayor stated that at recent regular meeting City Commission had requested that reputable insurance agents check our fleet insurance policy that was effective as of April 1, 1967 and to make any comments thereon. DW stated three reputable agents had been contacted and had checked over the policy and it was their recommendation that the policy remain as is for this year but that same be brought to City Commission in advance next year in order to be reviewed.

Discussion brought out that present agent distributes portion of the premium to approximately 16 general insurance agents in the City who are members of the Lufkin General Association of Insurance Agents. DW recommended that premium as submitted and due April 1, 1967, covering our fleet insurance, be authorized for payment. Motion to this effect was made by GHN, seconded by BMcN and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

7. DW recommended that authority be given to Pit Construction Co. to proceed with certain work under the direction of the City Engineer and Consulting Engineers on Angelina Street Improvements, without work order being issued, provided no delays were charged against the City. DW also stated that preconstruction conference had been set up between Consulting Engineers, Contractor, Railroad and Utility Officials on this work for May 26, 1967, at 10:30 A.M.

BMcN made motion that DW's recommendation be approved. BEA seconded the motion and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded. In connection with the improvements on Angelina Street BMcN suggested that consideration be given to making North First Street two-way during the improvements on Angelina Street due to the traffic being diverted to this street. DW will call this to Chief of Police attention and a study will be made of the situation.

8. Mayor stated that E. C. Kobs, Jr., Vice-President of Bernard Johnson Engineers, Inc. and Mr. Ned Shands, Jr., President of Angelina-Nacogdoches Water Improvement District No. 1, desired to meet with the City Commission on proposed study to be made by the Angelina-Nacogdoches Water Improvement District No. 1 on sources of water supply for both Cities. It was decided that a special meeting be called for Monday May 29th at 7:30 P.M. for this purpose.
9. There being no further business for consideration, meeting was adjourned at 8:00 P.M.



Mayor - City of Lufkin, Texas

ATTEST:



City Secretary - City of Lufkin, Texas