

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS, HELD ON THE 16th DAY OF JANUARY, 1968, AT 7:30 PM

On the 16th day of January, 1968, 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:

Earl Nisbet	Mayor
Carl Liese	Commissioner, Ward No. 1
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
William E. Wolff	City Manager
David Walker	City Attorney
Lynn Durham	City Secretary

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

1. Meeting opened with prayer by Rev. Richard Hoopes, Pastor of Keltys Methodist Church, Lufkin, Texas. Mayor thanked Rev. Hoopes for his participation in the meeting and invited him to remain for the entire meeting or leave when he so desired.
2. Mayor welcomed a number of visitors who were present as observers or in connection with items on the Agenda.
- 2a. BMcN made motion that minutes of regular meeting of January 2, 1968 and special meeting of January 8, 1968, be approved as written. ECW seconded the motion and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

3. Mrs. Willie D. Brock appeared before the City Commission to request renewal of 180 day license for trailer house at 307 East Kerr. Mrs. Brock stated her father and mother resided in the trailer house and that her father suffered a stroke approximately five years ago and it was necessary that her parents be near in order to look after them.

GHN made motion that renewal of this license for 180 days be granted due to hardship involved. BMcN seconded the motion and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

4. Ben Barlow appeared before the City Commission to request renewal of 180 day license for trailer house which he lives in located on Minnie Lou Street which is a continuation of Keltys Street. He stated that all houses in the immediate vicinity were three room shacks and although he did not think he could say his request was hardship, he did think he had vitally upgraded the area and intended to live in his trailer house until he could build there or at some other location.

CL made motion that extension of the permit be granted to Mr. Barlow at no cost until such time as present Trailer House Ordinance is amended, but not to exceed 180 days. ECW seconded the motion and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

5. Virgil A. (Tommy) Thompson of Tommy's Mobile Homes, 616 N. Timberland Drive, appeared before the City Commission and requested consideration be given to amending present Trailer House Ordinance to allow for mobile homes in certain zones within the City in addition to trailer parks. He stated a number of potential customers would not buy mobile homes now since were unable to locate in the City. He stated he was in favor of present provision for issuance of license for 180 days in hardship cases and thought same should be retained in Ordinance.

Mayor thanked Mr. Thompson for his suggestions and stated he had appointed a Committee at last regular meeting to study this matter and make recommendation to City Commission for consideration and no action could or would be taken until such recommendation was received.

6. Mayor opened and read the following bids on six police cars for which City recently advertised:

Gibbs Motor Co., Lufkin, Texas

6 Plymouths, 1968 Models	\$22,800.00
Less trade-in of six cars	<u>9,225.00</u>
(Does not include federal tax)	\$13,575.00

Ralph New Motor Co., Lufkin, Texas

6 Oldsmobiles, 1968 Models	
Less trade-in of six cars	\$12,545.00

Tipton-Billingsley Ford, Lufkin, Texas

6 Ford 4Dr., 1968 Models	\$16,421.88
Less trade-in six cars	<u>4,700.00</u>
	\$11,721.88

WEW requested time to study bids before making recommendation on purchase. BMcN made motion that WEW's request be granted. Motion seconded by GHN and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

7. Mayor opened and read following bids on truck chassis for which City recently advertised:

Angelina Chevrolet-Cadillac Company, Lufkin, Texas

1 - 1968 Model Chevrolet	\$ 3,277.86
Less trade-in 1953 Chev. Truck	<u>300.00</u>
	\$ 2,977.86

Angelina Truck & Tractor, Inc., Lufkin, Texas

1 - 1968 Model International	\$ 3,384.00
Less trade-in 1953 Chev. & Body	<u>100.00</u>
	\$ 3,284.00

Tipton-Billingsley Ford, Lufkin, Texas

1 - 1968 Model Ford	\$ 3,190.52
Less Trade-in 1953 Chev. Truck	<u>100.00</u>
	\$ 3,090.52

WEW requested time to study bids before making recommendation on purchase. BMcN made motion that WEW's request be granted. Motion seconded by GHN and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

8. Mayor opened and read following bids on asbestos cement pipe for which City recently advertised, this pipe to be used in furnishing service to Keltys area, Angelina County Junior College and area on Loop 287 between State Highway 94 and Lotus Lane:

Utility Supply Company
Houston, Texas

\$89,990.23

Bowles & Eden
Shreveport, La.

\$93,002.01

Municipal Pipe & Fabricating Co.
Houston, Texas

\$95,922.05

Johns-Manville Co.
Houston, Texas

(1)
(2)

\$99,378.63

If awarded all items
included in quotation
in exact quantities
for each item.-- \$92,978.63

Rohan Company
Waco, Texas

Incomplete as unable
to bid on pipe.

WEW requested time to study and tabulate bids before making recommendation for purchase of pipe. BMcN made motion that WEW's request be granted. Motion seconded by GHN and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

9. DW read Ordinance for first reading changing zone from R-1 District to LM District, application by Lufkin Industrial Foundation, covering property beginning at NW corner of a 36.6630 acre tract, such point being 450' from State Highway Loop 287 right-of-way and 1,375' South of Lotus Lane and extending as follows: East from above point 774.4', South 2,031.05', West 738.98' and NW 2274.48', such tract being 36.6630 acres. Mayor called attention to letter from Chairman of City Planning and Zoning Commission advising of a hearing conducted on this application in meeting of December 14, 1967 and that it was the unanimous recommendation that City Commission approve this zone change.

BMcN made motion that Ordinance covering above zone change be passed on first reading as recommended by City Planning and Zoning Commission. BEA seconded the motion and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

10. DW read Ordinance for first reading changing zone from R-1 District to LB District, application by Alfred F. Stewart (Dr. Murray D. Hooks) covering two tracts designated as Lot 15-I and East one-half of Lot 15-H located between Ellis and Frank Avenues and fronting on South side of Frank Avenue.

Mayor called attention to letter from Chairman of City Planning and Zoning Commission advising of a hearing conducted on this application in meeting of December 14, 1967, and that it was the unanimous recommendation that City Commission approve this zone change. GHN made motion that Ordinance covering above zone change be passed on first reading as recommended by City Planning and Zoning Commission. Motion seconded by BEA and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

11. DW read Ordinance for first reading changing zone from R-3 District to LB District, application by J. A. Hackney, covering Lots 7, 8 and 9, Block 12 of Martin Wagon Co. Addition, located between Williams and Culverhouse Streets, and Weaver and Highland Avenues, facing Highland. DW also called attention to letter from Chairman of City Planning and Zoning Commission to Mayor and City Commission explaining the details concerning this zone change application and the City Planning and Zoning Commission's recommendation which is quoted below:

"Mr. J. A. Hackney appeared before the City Planning and Zoning Commission in regular meeting of December 14, 1967, to advise that on April 29, 1947, his property consisting of Lots 7, 8 and 9, Block 12 of Martin Wagon Co. Addition located between Williams and Culverhouse Streets, and Weaver and Highland Avenues and facing Highland was zoned J District to allow for a retail business. Mr. Hackney stated that he now desired to enlarge and improve his building and when he applied for building permit same was denied by Building Inspector since the new Zoning Ordinance now in effect had rezoned his property to R-3. Mr. Hackney requested City Planning and Zoning Commission's approval to improve his property due to his previously approved zone change in 1947.

The City Planning and Zoning Commission was in sympathy with Mr. Hackney but felt that the only legal way to handle his request was to ask for new zone change from R-3 District to LB District under the new Ordinance and the City Planning and Zoning Commission stated they would recommend to City Commission that the new zone designation be approved and that consent of filing fee of \$50.00 be waived and instructed Mr. Hackney to get names of all property owners within 200 ft. of his property to sign waiver voicing no objection to change which would expedite time element involved in the handling process of this zone change.

I understand from the City Secretary that Mr. Hackney has complied with this request by the City Planning and Zoning Commission and has secured the necessary signatures. It is therefore the recommendation of the City Planning and Zoning Commission that this zone change application be approved."

CL made motion that Ordinance be passed on first reading. DVS seconded the motion and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

12. Mr. Travis Carrington, President of Lufkin Real Estate Board, along with Messrs. Doyle Anderson and Joe Briley, members, appeared before the City Commission. Mr. Carrington, acting as spokesman, stated their organization would like to go on record in offering support and service to the City Commission in any manner and on any project which might be desired. He stated their organization wished to compliment the Mayor and members of the City Commission for the splendid job being done to solve problems relating to our City.

Mayor, on behalf of himself and City Commission members, thanked Mr. Carrington for his kind remarks and offer of assistance by the Lufkin Real Estate Board that might be desired by City Commission and stated this fine organization would be called upon for future advise and assistance. GHN suggested that Mr. Carrington be furnished a copy of Southern Standard Building Code to read and comments thereon since same is now being read and studied by City Commission members. NEW will furnish Mr. Carrington with copy.

13. Mr. Dan McCullough appeared before the City Commission and advised he was Business Manager of Local 1550, State, County and Municipal Employees, AFL-CIO, Pasadena, Texas. He stated his local union had a membership of some 2600 and covered the area from Nacogdoches County to Brazoria County. He commented on state laws covering such union and stated his organization was law abiding but were soliciting members and desired to let City Commission know of their activities and to answer any questions. NEW stated would like to discuss this matter with Mr. McCullough and suggested that Mr. McCullough come to his office Friday, January, 26, 1968.

14. WEW presented voucher in the amount of \$2,004.47 from Mustang Tractor and Equipment Co. covering repairs to front end loader and tractor which was above his limit of approval, and recommended City Commission approval to pay.

CL made motion that voucher in the amount of \$2,004.47 be authorized for payment per recommendation of WEW. BMcN seconded the motion and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

15. WEW called attention to previous discussion regarding deleting the proposed building to house equipment for antenna scheduled to be installed on top of water tower on East side of Lufkin. He stated he had discussed this subject further with representatives of companies supplying such equipment and is now of the opinion that a 125' pole installed at the present City Hall location will be adequate to cover services for both the Police and Fire Departments. WEW presented information and prices of a mast with a height of 125', at a price of \$1,403.00 and if the City Commission so instructed, modifications could be made in present contract on installation of such equipment and order could be placed for this mast.

CL raised the question of whether or not Fire Station Bond Funds, which had been approved for use on the original proposed site, could now be used. He was advised by City Attorney that Funds could be used if the tower was used by the Fire Department. WEW requested authorization to make change in present plans and the City deal directly with the suppliers on such equipment and handle such work out side of present contract covering construction of City Hall and Police Station building.

Discussion developed and the City Commission desired that change be made in the contract and that Temple Associates be authorized to make the installation. GHN made motion that the auxiliary building to house radio control equipment for Fire and Police Departments be deleted from the contract with Temple Associates and substitute the 125' tower recommended by WEW and that WEW be authorized to proceed with the purchase and erection of this tower through Temple Associates. ECW seconded the motion and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

16. WEW stated that while the City Commission was in short recess he had discussed the bids with Marvin E. Flournoy submitted earlier in the meeting covering truck chassis and it was their recommendation that this truck chassis be purchased from Angelina Chevrolet-Cadillac for \$2,977.86, same being the lowest bid.

CL made motion that WEW's recommendation be followed. Motion seconded by BMcN and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

17. WEW stated that also during the recess he and Chief of Police had gone over bids received earlier in the meeting on the six police units and it was their recommendation that these units be purchased from Ralph New Motor Co. (Oldsmobile Dealer) in the amount of \$12,545.00 even though the total price was \$823.12 over the low bid of Tipton-Billingsley Ford, but thought the Oldsmobiles would give better service with a later trade-in value over the Dords.

DVS stated he did not go along with this recommendation since Tipton-Billingsley was low and met specifications. Considerable discussion developed and BEA made motion that recommendation of the City Manager be followed and that he be authorized to purchase the six Oldsmobiles. GHN seconded the motion and the following vote was recorded:


Voting Aye: EN, CL, BMcN, ECW, GHN and BEA.

Voting Nay: DVS.

Mayor declared motion carried by majority vote.

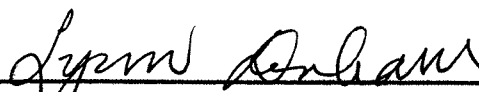
DVS stated that his reason for voting no was that if the City advertised and received bids that met specifications then we owe it to the public to take the lowest bid.

18. CL inquired of City Manager as to progress being made on street repairs. WEW stated we are handling all repairs items as rapidly as possible, however, weather conditions had deterred this work to almost a stand still during the past several weeks.
19. ECW stated that Lotus Lane had portions on which street dedication had not been made to the City and thought this matter should be followed through to conclusion and dedications secured. WEW stated he would develop information and report at a later meeting.
20. Mayor called attention to condition of portion of Bynum Street near intersection of Persimmon which was gravel. WEW stated he will check into possibility of paving this portion.
21. BEA inquired as to status of poultry plant operations. WEW stated a representative of a firm who furnishes Sewer Treatment equipment was scheduled to be in Lufkin this week to make recommendations on measures that would bring the plant within acceptable limits by the State Department of Health. BEA inquired if chicken processing plants representatives had made a tour of the City's Sewer Treatment Plant and was advised by WEW that they had not due to inclement weather but would schedule such a visit shortly.
22. BEA inquired as to when representative of Bernard Johnson Engineers, Inc. would be in attendance to report on projects now underway. WEW stated Mr. Ray Terrell was to have been in attendance at this meeting but had the flu.
23. Mayor read letter from Honorable John Dowdy, Member of Congress, advising that he would be glad to help in every way possible to determine the feasibility of establishing postal stations in the West and South area of the City as well as Keltys area, stating that he had taken the matter up with the Post Office Department.
24. There being no further business for consideration, meeting was adjourned at 9:30 P.M.



Mayor - City of Lufkin, Texas

ATTEST:



City Secretary - City of Lufkin, Texas