

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS, HELD ON THE 5th DAY OF MARCH, 1968, AT 7:30 P. M.

On the 5th day of March, 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:

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| 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. Sidney Spain, Pastor of First Christian Church, Lufkin, Texas.
2. Mayor welcomed a number of visitors who were present as observers or in connection with items on the Agenda.
3. BMcN made motion that minutes of regular meeting of February 20, special meeting of February 20 and special meeting of February 22, 1968 be approved as written. ECW seconded the motion and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.
4. Mr. John Parker, Chairman of the Citizens Committee for the Improvement of the City of Lufkin along with other members of his committee were present and presented Resolution requesting City Commission of the City of Lufkin to set a date for public hearing by the City Commission concerning certain proposed actions of the Urban Renewal Law of Texas. City Attorney read the Resolution in its entirety which set the date of May 20, 1968, at 7:30 P.M. in the Angelina District Court Room for such public hearing.

BMcN made motion that Resolution as proposed by the Citizens Committee for the Improvement of the City of Lufkin and read by City Attorney be passed. Motion seconded by ECW, however, before vote was taken, DVS inquired of City Attorney if he had checked the Resolution as to legality, since he desired that any action taken would not have to be retracted as was the case in previous meeting with regard to setting a referendum on Urban Renewal. DVS further stated that he wanted it definitely understood that in voting for this Resolution that he was not voting for or against the use of Federal Funds. BEA made motion that Mayor call a recess for 30 minutes in order to give the City Commission members time to study the Resolution before taking a vote due to fact the Resolution had not been submitted to the members for study before being read. CL seconded the motion and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded. Within 30 minutes Mayor called the meeting back to order and the following vote ensued on the previous motion for adoption of the Resolution:

Voting Aye: DVS, BMcN, ECW, GHN and EN.

Voting Nay: CL and BEA.

Mayor declared motion carried by majority vote.

5. DW suggested that City Commission designate by official action the Lufkin News as the newspaper for publication of legal notices such as above until further change is made. BMCN made motion that the Lufkin News be designated as the newspaper for publication of official notices as suggested by DW until further change is made. DVS seconded the motion and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.
6. DW read Ordinance amending present Trailerhouse Ordinance for second reading. ECW made motion that Ordinance be passed on second reading. GHN seconded the motion and the following vote was recorded.

Voting Aye: EN, DVS, BMCN, ECW and GHN.

Voting Nay: CL and BEA.

Mayor declared motion carried by majority.

7. Rev. Sidney Spain proposed that City Commission pass Resolution when a serviceman in the area is killed in action in the Armed Services, and that Mayor deliver same in person to the nearest of kin and read it aloud to them or cause it to be read, and that a picture and/or story of each presentation, together with a copy of the Resolution be furnished to the local newspaper, radio and television stations. The Resolution proposed by Rev. Spain reads as follows:

"Through its elected Commissioners, the City of Lufkin, Texas, pauses in its corporate life to note with extreme regret and dismay the untimely death of \_\_\_\_\_ killed in action in Vietnam in the service of our country on \_\_\_\_\_ and to express sympathy to his parents \_\_\_\_\_.

We grieve with you. The community has lost a valiant son.

It is our desire that every citizen of Lufkin, when he reads or hears these words, pause for a moment of silence, in appreciation of \_\_\_\_\_ in recognition of his sacrifice for our country, and in sympathy for his bereaved family."

Rev. Spain stated there had been three men in the local area who have been killed while serving in Vietnam as follows:

Marine PFC Clenzell Morris, killed 5 Feb. 1968,  
Mrs. Perlle Morris, 505 E. Rhodes.  
Marine PFC Eddie C. Harris, killed 13 Feb. 1968,  
Mr. & Mrs. E. C. Harris, Pinedell Manor, 910-A.  
Marine Cpl. Wesley Hodges, killed 23 Feb. 1968,  
Mr. & Mrs. Curtis Hodges, 1710 Allendale.

The City Commission members were in accord with such Resolution; however, BEA stated that the Young Republican Organization in Lufkin was also preparing and would submit similar Resolution to City Commission for consideration. Rev. Spain suggested that until such time a Resolution was submitted by the Young Republican Organization and approved by City Commission, that Resolution submitted by him be adopted and delivered to above listed servicemen.

BEA made motion that Resolution proposed by Rev. Spain be adopted and that same be prepared and delivered to the families of the three Servicemen listed above as killed in action. DVS seconded the motion and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

8. DW read Ordinance covering zone change requested by Mrs. I. D. Fairchild (Altrusa Club) from R-1 District to R-1 District and Special Use, Lot 1, Block 1, Glenn Addition, located at North Raguet and California, to be considered on first reading. LD stated this zone change application was considered by the City Planning and Zoning Commission in regular meeting of February 8, 1968 and it was their recommendation that the zone change be approved by City Commission.

Mayor inquired if any persons present to object to change and there were none. DVS made motion that Ordinance be passed on first reading. Motion seconded by BEA and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

9. DW read Ordinance covering zone change requested by Jeff Singleton (R.B. Thompson) from R-2 District to A District covering property located on Lake Street, North and adjoining Dunbar High School property, for consideration on first reading. LD stated this zone change application was also considered by the City Planning and Zoning Commission in regular meeting of February 8, 1968 and it was their recommendation that same be approved by City Commission.

Mayor inquired if any persons present to object to change and there were none. BMcN made motion that Ordinance be passed on first reading as recommended by City Planning and Zoning Commission. GHN seconded the motion and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

10. WEW stated he had received proposals on group hospitalization and life insurance as requested in recent advertisement in newspaper by the City from the following Companies:

Connecticut General Life Insurance Co.  
E. O. Brumble, Jr., Agent

St. Paul Insurance Company  
Mrs. Exa Lucas, Agent

Republic Life Insurance Co.  
E. O. Brumble, Jr., Agent

Blue Cross-Blue Shield  
LeRoy Wilson, Agent

General American Life Insurance Co.  
Bill Duncan, Agent

Republic Life Insurance Co.  
Mike Milliff, Agent

Lincoln National Insurance Co.  
Mike Milliff, Agent

Aetna Life Insurance Co.  
John W. Duke, Agent

Provident Life & Accident Insurance Co.  
Tom Fleming, District Manager

Mayor appointed a committee composed of BEA, Chairman, BMcN and CL to study the proposals and make recommendations to the City Commission at a later meeting.

11. WEW stated he would like to have an expression from the City Commission members as to selection of an Architectural firm to design work on City's new proposed fire stations. He stated this item was previously under contract to Bernard Johnson Engineers, Inc. but had been relinquished by this firm some time ago. CL inquired about fees and WEW stated such fees were set by the organization of architects.

Discussion brought out that City Commission would like to have local architectural firms appear before the City Commission in regular meeting of April 2, 1968, and submit proposals for such design work. WEW will notify the local architectural firms to have representative present at this meeting of April 2, 1968.

12. DW read in its entirety Ordinance amending Garbage Ordinance No. 149 dated May 10, 1949, making certain changes in connection with Section III of said regarding the collection of garbage and refuse.

BEA suggested that WEW procure and study the Ordinance in effect in the City of Dallas and that consideration be given in the future to charges being made for the dumping of garbage by outsiders at the City Dump. WEW will study and make recommendation on this item at later meeting. GH<sup>A</sup> made motion that Ordinance as read by DW be approved on first reading with the deletion of the word "daily" under Item B of Section III. CL seconded the motion and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

13. WEW called attention to expenses being incurred in keeping our present radar equipment in workable condition. He stated that such expense from 1965 thru February of 1968 amounted to \$580.73. He further stated that this equipment was several years old and new equipment could be purchased for a price of approximately \$1,000.00 and request authority to advertise for bids on new equipment. City Commission without motion concurred with recommendation of WEW and instructed him to advertise for such equipment.

14. WEW presented up-to-date figures on ambulance collections since using the Retail Credit Bureau in collecting delinquent accounts over 120 days. He stated that the amount collected by the Retail Credit Bureau since this business was turned over to them was \$1,806.50 out of a total accounts receivable of \$24,584.85. WEW stated would bring an up-to-date figure on this collection at each meeting in order for the City Commission to make a determination on continuing to turn these delinquent accounts over to the Retail Credit Bureau.

15. WEW presented Estimate #7 for the period ending February 20, 1968, from Temple Associates in the amount of \$58,890.44 which had been approved by the Consulting Engineers for payment and recommended that City Commission authorize payment of this estimate.

BEA made motion that authority be given to paying Estimate #7 to Temple Associates in the amount of \$58,890.44. Motion seconded by BMcN and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

16. WEW presented Estimated #7 and #8 from Pit Construction Co. covering improvements on Angelina Street in the amounts of \$5,483.83 and \$15,764.90 respectively covering work for period 11-20-67 to 2-20-68. WEW stated the estimates and work had been verified by our City Engineer and recommended same be paid.

BEA made motion that Estimates #7 and #8 in the above amounts be authorized for payment. CL seconded the motion and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

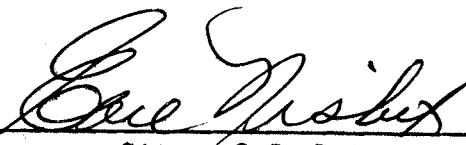
17. WEW presented statement covering personal expenses incurred by him from January 25th through March 4, 1968 on certain trips in connection with City business in the amount of \$68.00. BMcN made motion that WEW be reimbursed by the City for these expenses in the amount of \$68.00. GHN seconded the motion and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.
18. WEW stated that representative of Traffic Signals, Inc., Shreveport, La., had visited with him recently and had checked the traffic light at the Denman Avenue intersection with Angelina and Raguet Street but had not arrived at a method of properly synchronizing traffic lights in the City.
19. Mayor stated had received letter from Mr. Ned Shands, Jr., President of Angelina-Nacogdoches Counties Water Control and Improvement District No. 1, suggesting that City of Lufkin write letter to the Texas Water Rights Commission in connection with the District's application to transfer its municipal water to industrial use in order that Texas Power & Light Company can purchase it from the District.

After some discussion, DVS made motion that letter be written to the Texas Water Rights Commission, to be signed by Mayor, approving the transfer of its municipal water to industrial use in order that same might be purchased by Texas Power & Light Company. Motion seconded by GHN and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

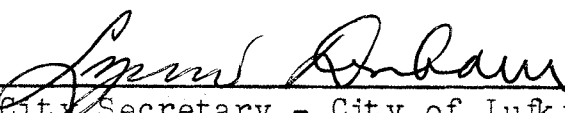
20. DVS inquired about dirt needed at railroad crossing at Ellis. WEW stated would have dirt furnished.
21. BMcN stated that sometime ago request was made for a study and report of traffic in downtown area from angle parking to parallel parking. WEW stated this study had not been completed.
22. BEA inquired as to when meeting would be called for purpose of discussing reports furnished by companies who are now doing business in the City of Lufkin under franchise agreements.

After some discussion it was decided that these reports would be studied and discussed at second meeting in April.

23. CL mentioned condition of streets and repairs and suggested that consideration be given by WEW of scheduling two crews working to expedite such repair work and get streets in a better state of repair. WEW will handle.
24. There being no further business for consideration, meeting was adjourned at 10:10 P.M., after which an executive session was called.

  
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Mayor - City of Lufkin, Texas

ATTEST:

  
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City Secretary - City of Lufkin, Texas