

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS, HELD ON 3rd DAY OF DEC., 1963, AT 7:30 P.M.

On the 3rd day of December, 1963, the City Commission of the City of Lufkin, Texas, convened in regular meeting in the regular meeting place of said City, with following members thereof, to-wit:

Jim Waters	Mayor
Jack W. Tucker	Commissioner, Ward No. 1
Beamon S. Cook	Commissioner, Ward No. 2
S. Harry Kerr	Commissioner, Ward No. 3
Granville Wright	City Manager
Lynn Durham	City Secretary
William D. Perkins	City Attorney

being present, and

A. G. Welch Commissioner, Ward No. 4

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

1. Meeting opened with prayer by Rev. Dewyth Beltz, pastor of First Lutheran Church, Lufkin, who left immediately after being thanked by Mayor Waters for his participation.
2. Several visitors were present in connection with items on the agenda or as observers.
3. Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved.
4. W. R. Hooks, Sales Representative of Hi-Way Equipment Company, Inc., Houston, Texas, appeared before City Commission regarding possible sale to City of second-hand Gradall Machine which had been previously demonstrated in digging and cleaning out ditches in Lufkin.

Mr. Hooks stated the sales price of the machine to City was \$15,500.00 and could be purchased on rental purchase or lease plan of \$645.83 per month for 24 months and at end of 24 month period, if machine was purchased, there would be charge of \$600.00 for interest. Mr. Hooks stated the machine would have a new machine guarantee of 6 months with exception of the engine which would have a 90 day guarantee.

City Manager and Commission members who witnessed the demonstration of the machine were impressed with its performance. However, City Manager stated no provision was made in the budget for the purchase of this machine nor for a dragline which could be used in our operations.

Mayor Waters suggested, with other City Commission members concurring, that City Manager discuss with Street Superintendent and Water and Sewer Superintendent and make recommendation at next meeting.

5. Fred Woods of Angelina County Humane Society appeared before City Commission and stated this organization had received their Charter from State of Texas. Also that the organization would like to delete the fourth item of their proposal accepted by City in meeting of November 12, 1963; this item reading:

(4) That the City allocate the services of one of its employees and provide for his use a suitable vehicle to be used in cooperation with the Society.

City Manager stated a tentative site had been agreed upon for the building to be constructed by this Organization on City property near water plant and as soon as lease agreement and other details were worked out and site staked off, the construction could proceed.

Commissioner Jack W. Tucker made motion that 4th item referred to and listed above in proposal originally accepted by City be deleted and that proper location of site be left to direction of Parks Superintendent who will be in contact with all concerned in the matter. Commissioner Beamon S. Cook seconded the motion and vote was unanimous.

6. City Attorney read ordinance for consideration on second reading amending present House Moving Ordinance as to bonding and insurance requirements. After some discussion, Commissioner Beamon S. Cook made motion that ordinance be passed on second reading. Commissioner Jack W. Tucker seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.
7. City Manager read letter from Herman Brown, Manager of Angelina County Chamber of Commerce requesting City Commission to rescind previous action of a year or so ago (requested by Chamber of Commerce also) allowing free parking at meters on 3rd Wednesday of each month for Bargain Day since the arrangement had not worked out as anticipated. Commissioner Beamon S. Cook made motion that free parking allowance at meters on 3rd Wednesday be discontinued. Commissioner S. Harry Kerr seconded motion and vote was unanimous.
8. City Manager stated he had heard from Texas Municipal League in Austin advising of cities in Texas operating their own bus system. There were three, namely San Antonio, San Angelo and Haltom City, and now had information that Haltom City, which is of comparable size to Lufkin, had gone out of business.
9. City Manager stated Chester Moore had requested that City waive cost of license for moving house from Teener Baseball Park or refund the amount back to their organization. City Manager advised him he would have to pay the license fee and would discuss with City Commission the request for refund. City Commission instructed City Manager to use his own judgement in this regard; however, if refund was made, it would be setting precedent for other similar requests.
10. City Manager stated local Seventh Day Adventist Church group had requested permission to sing carols and solicit funds for charity for one night only in different sections of City. City Commission instructed City Manager to use his own judgement in this regard.
11. City Manager stated he had received statement from Fresse, Nichols, Turner and Collie, Houston, Texas, in amount of \$750.00 for work performed under contract for additional water well. However, statement did not itemize work done and City Attorney has written for this itemized detail in order that City Commission can take proper action as to payment and then proceed with details of contract to be consummated with Bernard Johnson Engineers, Inc., Houston.
12. City Manager stated information had been worked up on annual Christmas bonus to City employees which has been the policy for a number of years and which are included in the approved budget. Bonuses will be paid as follows:

Employees in service less than 6 months \$10.00
Employees in service six months to one year .. 10% of mo. salary or wage
Employees in service one year and over - 25% of mo. salary or wage.

Commissioner Beamon S. Cook made motion that payment of bonuses be authorized. Commissioner S. Harry Kerr seconded motion and vote was unanimous.

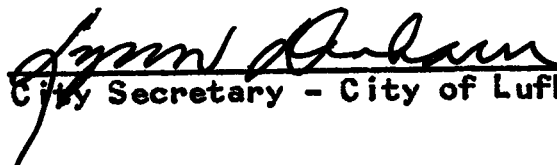
13. Open items were gone over and status determined.

14. Mayor Waters stated that an additional signature should be authorized to sign checks in his absence in addition to signature of Mayor Pro Tem A. G. Welch. Mayor Waters stated it was possible Commissioner Welch would not be able to perform these details for some time, due to present illness and there might be an emergency arise for signature on checks. Commissioner S. Harry Kerr made motion that Commissioner Beamon S. Cook be given this authority since he was senior member of City Commission. Commissioner Jack W. Tucker seconded the motion and vote was unanimous.
15. Mrs. W. E. Hall, who came in late, was recognized by Mayor Waters who inquired if she desired to bring any matter before the City Commission and, if so, it would be necessary to secure City Commission approval since she was not on the agenda. Mrs. Hall stated she had matter to discuss and City Commission agreed to hear her.
- Mrs. Hall requested approval of zone change on property on Kiln Avenue, stating she had sufficient signatures of adjoining property owners, waiving objection to change. City Attorney advised Mrs. Hall that City Commission could not legally take action on her request and advised her in detail the procedure to follow in this zone change request.
16. 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