<u>MINUTES</u> OF <u>REGULAR MEETING</u> OF THE <u>CITY</u> <u>COMMISSION</u> OF THE <u>CITY</u> OF <u>LUFKIN</u>, <u>TEXAS</u>, <u>HELD</u> <u>ON</u> THE <u>1ST</u> <u>DAY</u> <u>OF</u> <u>APRIL</u>, <u>1986</u>, <u>at</u> <u>5:00</u> <u>P.M.</u>

On the 1st day of April, 1986, 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:

Pitser H. Garrison Percy Simond, Jr. Don Boyd Lynn Malone Pat Foley Louis Bronaugh Harvey Westerholm Ron Wesch Bob Flournoy Nicholas Finan Atha Stokes Mayor Commissioner, Ward No. 1 Commissioner, Ward No. 2 Commissioner, Ward No. 3 Commissioner, Ward No. 4 Commissioner, Ward No. 6 City Manager Public Works Director City Attorney City Planner City Secretary

being present, and

Jack Gorden Brian Boudreaux Commissioner, Ward 5 Assistant City Manager

being absent when the following business was transacted:

1. Meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. Dale McClaflin, Minister, Bethel Church of Nazarene, Lufkin, Texas.

2. Mayor Garrison welcomed visitors present.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of regular meeting of March 18, 1986, were approved on a motion by Commissioner Pat Foley and seconded by Commissioner Louis Bronaugh. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

4. ORDINANCE - APPROVED - <u>SECOND</u> <u>READING - ZONE</u> <u>CHANGE</u> <u>REQUEST -</u> <u>VIRGINIA</u> <u>BRASHER</u> <u>BERRY</u> - <u>1004</u> <u>RALPH</u> <u>STREET -</u> <u>RS</u> <u>TO</u> <u>LB</u>

Mayor Garrison stated that the Commission now had for consideration Second Reading of Ordinance for Zone Change Request by Virginia Brasher Berry covering property located at 1004 Ralph Street from Residential Small to Local Business.

Motion was made by Commissioner Don Boyd and seconded by Commissioner Pat Foley that Ordinance be approved on Second and Final Reading as presented. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

5. ORDINANCE - APPROVED - SECOND READING - ZONE CHANGE REQUEST -LUFKIN TILE & STONE, INC. - 2010 ATKINSON DRIVE - RM, SU (SIGN MAKER) to RM, SU (MASONRY)

Mayor Garrison stated that the Commission now had for consideration Second Reading of Ordinance for Zone Change Request by Lufkin Tile & Stone, Inc., covering property located at 2010 Atkinson Drive from Residential Medium, Special Use (Sign Maker) to Residential Medium, Special Use (Masonry).

Motion was made by Commissioner Don Boyd and seconded by Commissioner Pat Foley that Ordinance be approved on Second and Final Reading as presented. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

6. ORDINANCE - SECOND READING - KURTH MEMORIAL LIBRARY

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Mayor Garrison stated that the Commission now had for consideration Second Reading of Ordinance regulating the return of books to Kurth Memorial Library.

Motion was made by Commissioner Don Boyd and seconded by Commissioner Pat Foley that Ordinance be approved on Second and Final Reading as presented. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

7. BRANDON PARK - REOPENED

Mayor Garrison stated that sometime ago, because of complaints about disruptive conduct in Brandon Park, the Commission decided to close the park, and now Parks and Recreation Director Don Hannabas was requesting that the park be reopened with certain conditions.

Commissioner Boyd stated that Parks and Recreation Director Don Hannabas had mailed out 123 letters, and received 26 replies and of the 26, six were opposed to reopening the park. Commissioner Boyd stated that he had talked with some of the people who live adjacent to the park (Mrs. Eastland, the Crains, Davis', Gilders and Colemans) and when he explained the proposal for reopening the park, there was no opposition.

Rev. H. Dolphus, minister of Shiloh Baptist Church, stated that he and some of the members of his church were present to protest the reopening of the park. Rev. Dolphus stated that the park was too close to the church and whole community. Rev. Dolphus stated that the park was detrimental to the youth of the City as it draws people who have no respect for the church. Rev. Dolphus stated that the church has made application to buy the park property.

Mayor Garrison stated that the members of the church certainly had justification in bringing this situation before the City and that some of the things that were heard previously were shocking.

Mayor Garrison stated that the proposal submitted by the Parks and Recreation Department is not final and that the City was simply looking for a solution and was hoping that a use for the park could be found that would be suitable to the neighborhood.

Commissioner Percy Simond stated that he had deep reservations about reopening the park if the people didn't want it reopened. Commissioner Simond stated that three meetings ago the Commission refused to license Sambo's Restaurant because the church across the street didn't want it. Commissioner Simond stated that the people who were present lived next door to the park and they should be given the same consideration. Commissioner Simond stated that he would vote against reopening of the park because so many are against it.

Commissioner Lynn Malone stated that he was in agreement with Commissioner Boyd in regard to reopening the park and that there is a need for a park in every community. Commissioner Malone stated that in previous years he had played basketball at Brandon Park and remembered it as being a decent place.

Commissioner Malone stated that it appeared as if the Church members were more opposed to the parks reopening than the neighbors.

Candiest Beamon stated that if the Church buys the park, the money received for the purchase of same could be used to update Jones Lake Park.

Commissioner Lynn Malone stated that the closing of Brandon Park will create a shortage of parks and the City doesn't have enough parks as it is.

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Mayor Garrison stated that if the City closes the park and keeps it closed, it will revert back to the school district.

Commissioner Percy Simond stated that a few days ago he had been approached by a citizen who would build a mini-park in the City or contribute \$5,000 towards the operation of Brandon Park. Commissioner Simond stated that in talking with Parks and Recreation Director Don Hannabas, Mr. Hannabas stated that he would like the money spent in Brandon Park.

A gentleman from the audience stated that Brandon Park was a community park and if the park was going to be run right, it would be a place where children could go, arts and crafts would be available, and it would be supervised to keep the children under control. He further stated that this is a dry county and there have been people drinking beer and whiskey in the park.

Mayor Garrison stated that Mr.Hannabas' proposal is to have supervision in the park.

Commissioner Boyd stated that the proposal states that the new program will have enrichment classes, and will be a place where Boy Scouts can meet and ladies auxiliaries can have activities for children. Commissioner Boyd stated that in his opinion something constructive could be done with the park, and it would be an asset to the Church. Commissioner Boyd stated that a Park Committee similar to the Mantooth Association could be formed and that neighborhood problems, goals, and plans could be a function of this type group. Commissioner Boyd stated that he would not try to push the program on the people, but would like to see the people vote on the program because, in his opinion, a lot of the people are for it.

Commissioner Boyd suggested that the City hold up on making a decision if the church is trying to buy the park, and that if the school doesn't sell the park to the church, then it can come up for discussion at a later date.

A gentleman from the audience stated that he had lived across from the park for 35 years and has raised 13 children and conditions at the park have become so bad that he will not allow his children in the park.

Mayor Garrison stated that if the neighborhood doesn't want the park, the City shouldn't push it, and that he felt somewhat guilty that the neighbors have had to tolerate the problem. Mayor Garrison stated that the City owes it to the people to try and make it work.

Truey Smith stated that children in the area need a place to play and the park had not been run correctly. Mrs. Smith stated that by closing the park, it would push the children out in the street.

Commissioner Louis Bronaugh stated that in listening to the comments from the audience, he realized that the people of the church had not heard the proposal made by the Parks and Recreation Department and that in the proposal it tells what the City wants the Park Department to do.

Rev. Dolphus stated that he would like the people to look at the problem soberly and that the members of the church could only judge the future by the past. Rev. Dolphus stated that the children need a place to go where gambling and immorality will not be going on. Rev. Dolphus stated that he could not understand why the Commission cannot understand that the people do not want the park there and, to prove it, they have made application to buy the park. Rev. Dolphus stated that the people in the area do not like being wakened at 2:00 A.M. by people playing loud radios, CB's and tape players.

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Rev. Dolphus further stated that this is a place where people fight, but also a place where one has been killed.

Mayor Garrison stated that the Commission most often hears requests by people who want to open a park and now they are hearing a request to close a park. Mayor Garrison stated that there has been no misbehavior since the park was closed which leads him to believe that the park would work with supervision and that the City owes it to the people to try. Mayor Garrison stated that in the Parks Department proposal, the park would open at 8:00 A.M. and close at 10:00 P.M. with supervision throughout the day.

Commissioner Foley stated that the easiest thing to do would be to walk away from the problems at the park, but he would like to see the park reopened and the problems taken care of. Commissioner Foley stated that he liked the idea of neighborhood parks because they were good for little children and the type of equipment in the park would be beneficial to the children. Commissioner Foley stated that if there are problems with the park, they need to be solved, and he would like to see the City go ahead with the proposal from the Parks Department.

Commissioner Simond stated that he remembered that there had been approximately 45-50 people opposing the private club in the old Sambo's Restaurant building and the Commission went along with their request and now the same number of people are objecting to the reopening of the park. Commissioner Simond stated he could not remember this many people appearing against an issue coming before the Commission.

Mayor Garrison stated that the people are not opposing the park, but rather the activities that have taken place in the park, and if the City cannot eliminate the problems, then they can walk away from it; however, he would like to see Don Hannabas given a chance under the new proposal.

Commissioner Simond stated that the Texas Department of Corrections in Huntsville is full of people who could not be controlled, and the same people will come to the park and the City doesn't have the kind of Police force to keep the park manned all the time.

Commissioner Boyd stated that he was hoping that some conclusion could be reached and if the people who were against the reopening could see what is proposed for the park, they might change their minds.

Commissioner Malone stated that everyone was aware of all the wrong doing, but in order to make the park a wholesome place it will take the involvement of the neighbors along with the Police Department and that the Police Department couldn't do it by themselves.

Rev. Dolphus stated that you can hear the effects from the park clear out on Kurth Drive.

In response to question by Commissioner Malone, City Attorney Bob Flournoy stated that there was not an ordinance against loud music. Mayor Garrison stated there are State statutes against disturbing the peace which can be enforced.

Rev. Simmons stated that the business of the church was the most important business in the world and that the church members were down here asking for respect to the church and since the park connects to the church property they are the ones who are involved with the problem.

Mayor Garrison stated that the Commission was here to represent the people and the church should have all respect that's due it. Mayor

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Garrison stated that if the park is going to divide a community, serious consideration should be given to the matter.

In response to question by Commissioner Simond, City Manager Westerholm stated that the school will not sell the park unless the City abandons it, and the school is holding the selling of the park in abeyance until the City takes action, but would consider selling the park if the City abandons it.

Motion was made by Commissioner Simond to permanently close and abandon Brandon Park. Mayor Garrison stated that motion failed due to lack of second.

Motion was made by Commissioner Louis Bronaugh and seconded by Commissioner Pat Foley that the City reopen Brandon Park with the recommendations of the proposal by Parks and Recreation Department Director Don Hannabas, with reevaluation on the activities of the park at the end of 90 days. The following vote was recorded: Aye - Commissioners Foley, Malone, Bronaugh, Boyd and Mayor Garrison. Nay - Commissioner Simond. Mayor Garrison declared motion passed by a vote of 5 to 1.

Commissioner Simond stated that he would not like for the Commission to consider the statement he was about to make racist in any way, but it made him real uncomfortable that Commissioners Foley and Bronaugh made the motion and neither of them had been in the park in the last 20 years. Commissioner Simond stated that he would much prefer that Commissioner Boyd make the motion with Commissioner Malone making the second.

Mayor Garrison stated that Don Hannabas is an expert in the field of Parks and he hoped that the City will have the cooperation of the residents to make it work.

In response to question by Commissioner Malone whether the issue of forming an association will be pursued, Mayor Garrison stated that Mr. Hannabas will enlist the help of the people in making the park work.

Mayor Garrison stated that if the decision of the Commission does not work, there is no doubt that the park will be closed and abandoned.

8. ORDINANCE - APPROVED - FIRST READING - INEZ CALHOUN - 1006 WILSON NR TO C, SU (PRIVATE CLUB)

Mayor Garrison stated that the Commission now had for consideration First Reading of Ordinance for Zone Change Request by Inez Calhoun covering property located at 1006 Wilson Street from Neighborhood Retail to Commercial, Special Use (Private Club).

Mayor Garrison stated that the Zone Change Request had been heard before the Planning & Zoning Commission and had been recommended to the City Commission on a vote of 5 to 1.

Motion was made by Commissioner Don Boyd and seconded by Commissioner Louis Bronaugh that Ordinance be approved on First Reading as presented. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

<u>9.</u> ORDINANCE - APPROVED - FIRST READING - NILA NORRIS ROPER -1311 PAUL AVENUE - RM TO C

Mayor Garrison stated that the Commission now had for consideration First Reading of Ordinance for Zone Change Request by Nila Norris Roper covering property located at 1311 Paul Avenue from Residential Medium to Commercial.

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Commissioner Lynn Malone stated he was concerned about the site bearing fence as recorded in the Planning & Zoning Commission minutes. Mayor Garrison stated that whomever makes the motion could include in their motion that the fence was to be improved and maintained.

Motion was made by Commissioner Louis Bronaugh and seconded by Commissioner Don Boyd that Ordinance be approved on First Reading as presented and that site bearing fence be improved and properly maintained. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

10. ORDINANCE - APPROVED - GARBAGE CONTAINERS

Mayor Garrison stated that the Commission now had for consideration an Ordinance putting a limit on the weight and type of refuse containers used by City businesses.

City Manager Westerholm stated that customers have been loading 55gallon drums with 150 lbs. of refuse and as a result of lifting unusually heavy containers, two men have received injuries in the past year, which have resulted in worker's compensation claims.

Commissioner Pat Foley stated that, in his opinion, 40 lbs. would be appropriate and since City garbage collectors work very hard, the Commission should do everything possible to make their job as easy as possible.

Motion was made by Commissioner Pat Foley and seconded by Commissioner Louis Bronaugh that Ordinance be passed on First Reading to provide a limit of 40 lbs. and non-metal containers with water tight lids effective June 1st. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

11. BID - APPROVED - SERVICE GARAGE FENCE - LONE STAR FENCE COMPANY

Mayor Garrison stated that the Commission now had for consideration bids for fencing at the new Service Garage located at Hill Street and Windsor Drive.

City Manager Westerholm stated that the low bid had been received from Lone Star Fence Company in the amount of \$6,179.14 and that \$10,000 had been budgeted for same.

Public Works Director Ron Wesch stated that he was requesting that the balance of \$3,820.86 remain in the garage budget for any additional expense prior to moving in.

Commissioner Pat Foley stated that he had driven by the Service Garage and was concerned that a large enough area was not being fenced.

Mayor Garrison stated that in his opinion the area being fenced should include an area for future growth.

Motion was made by Commissioner Pat Foley and seconded by Commissioner Louis Bronaugh that bid from Lone Star Fence Co. in the amount of \$6,179.14 be accepted as the lowest and best bid. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

12. ELECTION RESULTS - CANVASSED - SPECIAL MEETING

Mayor Garrison stated that a provision in new election laws states that the canvass shall be made not earlier than the second day or later than the sixth day after election day at the time set by the canvassing authority's presiding officer, which would require a special meeting after the election on Saturday, April 5th.

Motion was made by Commissioner Louis Bronaugh and seconded by Commissioner Pat Foley that special meeting be held on Monday, April 7th,

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at 11:30 A.M. for the purpose of canvassing the election of April 5th. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

<u>13.</u> <u>ADVANCE PAYMENT - APPROVED - STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT - SHIREY</u> <u>CREEK BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION - MOFFETT ROAD</u>

Mayor Garrison stated that the Commission now had for consideration advance payment to the State Highway Department for the City's portion of the Shirey Creek Bridge construction on Moffett Road.

In response to question by Mayor Garrison, City Manager Westerholm stated that the \$34,870.80 payment would be taken from the \$300,000 allocated in the budget for street maintenance, and that 17% of this amount had been expended through the end of February.

Motion was made by Commissioner Don Boyd and seconded by Commissioner Percy Simond that advance payment of \$34,870.80 to the State Highway Department be approved as presented. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

<u>14.</u> <u>RESOLUTION</u> - <u>APPROVED</u> - <u>FUNDING</u> OF <u>EXCHANGE</u> OF <u>CLAIMS</u> AND <u>ACCOUNTS</u> - <u>CERTIFICATE</u> OF <u>OBLIGATION</u>

Mayor Garrison stated that the Commission now had for consideration Resolution authorizing and approving the funding of exchange of claims and accounts for "City of Lufkin, Texas Certificates of Obligation, Series 1985", and resolving other matters incident and related thereto.

City Manager Westerholm stated that the Resolution was for converting the claims that had been taken to the bank where the Contract had been paid and converting them into Certificates of Obligation.

In response to question by Mayor Garrison, Tom Wolf stated that these claims would be retained by the bank and the exchange was to go to a more formal piece of paper. Mr. Wolf stated that the City's rate of interest was 6 3/4%.

City Manager Westerholm stated it was his understanding that this was the way the bank wanted to handle the exchange and that periodically the bank would convert the claims the City sends over to a regular C.O. Mr. Westerholm stated that when the account was set up with the Bank, this is the way Bill Prince represented the procedure to the City.

Commissioner Pat Foley stated that it was his understanding that the C.O.'s would be taken care of at the end.

Tom Wolf stated the City had started off to incur or to establish C.O.'s and the City has reached that point, by accumulating claims which is an interest in the issue of the C.O.'s. Mr. Wolf stated that the City has 800 of the pieces of paper in \$5,000 denominations which is the perfected C.O.'s that comes from the accumulated claims and accounts. Mr. Wolf stated that the City has approved six claims thus far totaling \$909,124.75.

Commissioner Pat Foley stated that it was his understanding that in the event the bank wasn't competitive on their interest rates, that the City could sell the C.O.'s in public bid.

Mr. Tom Wolf stated that the exchange of paper could take place each time a claim is paid, and this request is for six claims into one conversion. Mr. Wolf stated that to make the exchange at this time is neither to our advantage nor disadvantage. Mr. Wolf stated that the Bank has told the City that they would be paying 75% of prime inter-

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est, their prime went from 9 1/2 % to 9% on March 10th, the City was 7 1/8% and now the City is paying 6 3/4%.

In response to question by Mayor Garrison as to whether the City's contract provided that the claims will be periodically converted to an official certificate of obligation in \$10,000 denominations, Mr. Wolf stated that he could not say specifically that it was \$10,000 denominations.

Mayor Garrison stated that he was disturbed that the Resolution was dropped on the Commission at the last minute and was a special item added to the agenda by an amendment. Mayor Garrison stated that the Resolution had been received by special courier at 10:00 A.M. today in the City Manager's office and now Mr. Wolf was asking the Commission to pass the Resolution and Mr. Wolf did not know why and the City Manager did not know why the Resolution was to be passed.

Mr. Wolf stated that perhaps the Bank had contacted Rita Jinkins, Finance Director, in regard to changing the claims into C.O.'s. Mr. Wolf stated that the C.O.'s had been prepared several months ago as the ultimate piece of paper, and the claims are routinely expected by himself, the Bond Attorney, and by the bank.

Mayor Garrison stated that if the Resolution had been received earlier, he and the Commissioners would have had a chance to satisfy themselves as to the contents of same. Mayor Garrison stated that the Resolution had been handed to him tonight when he entered the Council Room and he had not had a chance to read it.

In response to question by Commissioner Foley, City Attorney Flournoy stated that he had glanced at the Resolution and it seemed to be adequate to authorize the conversion of the claims into the C.O.'s.

Mr. Tom Wolf stated that the term "exchange" should be used as opposed to "conversion" since no terms or conditions were being changed or privileges.

In response to question by Commissioner Bronaugh as to why the emergency, Mr. Wolf stated that this should have been presented at the last meeting of the Commission, however, it was decided by the Bond counsel to wait and present the Resolution at the April 1st meeting and unbeknown to everyone the Bond Counsel decided to take off Easter week and he was told that the Resolution would be Federal Expressed.

Mr. Wolf stated that as to the "urgency" of the matter, he doesn't feel in his behalf or the City's behalf that there is an urgency - no one is initiating action or changing course or altering anything. Mr. Wolf stated that the Bank will simply have a more formal piece of paper in their files and all of this is under the Certificates of Obligations statute and this is a "proper procedure" that causes the City to get to the place where the paper is exchanged. Mr. Wolf stated that a C.O. could have been issued each time a payment had been made to Tribble & Stephens or the architect, etc., but usually what happens to keep the procedure minimized is that the claims are gathered up and exchanged periodically.

In response to question by Commissioner Bronaugh as to postponement of making a decision on the Resolution, Mr. Westerholm stated that the City's agreement with the Bank on interim financing on C.O.'s was that periodically the City would go through this process and exchange the individual claims to one large lump sum and issue \$5,000 denomination C.O.'s.

City Attorney Flournoy stated that on page 3, section 6, of the Resolution provides that "The certificates of obligation herein authorized to be executed and delivered are hereby found to be bind-

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ing, subsisting and valid obligations of the City of Lufkin, Texas, and it is hereby affirmatively adjudged and declared that the claims and accounts herein authorized to be exchanged for said certificates were duly authorized and incurred in accordance with the order authorizing the issuance of the "City of Lufkin, Texas, Certificates of Obligation, Series 1985", and in connection with a contractual obligation or purpose for which said certificates were authorized to be issued, and that full value and consideration has been received by the City equivalent in amount to the claims and accounts herein authorized to be exchanged. This ascertainment is expressly made for the use, benefit and protection of the State of Texas and any other attorney or person who shall pass upon the legality and validity of said certificates, and the findings made in this connection shall be binding upon the City, its governing body and their successors in office until said certificates with interest thereon have been fully paid and discharged."

Mayor Garrison stated that he did not like to pass a Resolution when no one seemed to know anymore than was known about this one.

Mr. Wolf stated that in response to Commissioner Bronaugh's question as to the urgency of passing the Resolution at tonight's meeting, he really could not say that it was urgent, but the interest on the claims and accounts is calculated up through March 31st.

Mayor Garrison stated he would suggest going ahead and passing the Resolution at this time and working it out later if something had been done that was wrong.

Commissioner Foley stated that since the financial advisor and the City Attorney were willing to go along with the Resolution as presented, he was prepared to take on the Resolution tonight.

Commissioner Simond stated that this situation points up to a suggestion that he had made previously and that was that every Department Head should be present when there is an item on the agenda that concerns their Department. Commissioner Simond stated that perhaps Rita Jinkins could answer the questions of the Commission about this Resolution.

City Manager Westerholm stated that Mrs. Jinkins is on vacation and had made all the provisions with the Bank before she left.

Mr. Wolf stated that he had been in Lufkin last week and that he and Rita Jinkins and Atha Stokes had met with Kristi Warren at the Bank to make the necessary provisions because Mrs. Jinkins had stated that she would be on vacation. Mr. Wolf stated that even though it appeared that the issue had come up belatedly, frankly, an awful lot of preparatory work had been done.

Mayor Garrison stated that he was surprised that the financial advisor and legal council did not know the terms of the contract.

Motion was made by Commissioner Don Boyd and seconded by Commissioner Pat Foley that Resolution be approved as presented. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

<u>15.</u> <u>RESOLUTION - APPROVED - CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 - TRIBBLE & STEPHENS -</u> <u>CITY HALL CONSTRUCTION</u>

Mayor Garrison stated that the Commission now had for consideration a Resolution ratifying, confirming and approving Change Order No. 2 to the contract with Tribble & Stephens for the City Hall construction.

Motion was made by Commissioner Pat Foley and seconded by Commissioner

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Louis Bronaugh that Resolution be approved as presented. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

<u>16.</u> <u>CITY STREET MAINTENANCE – PURCHASING AGENT – VEHICLE</u> <u>IDENTIFICATION – KURTH DRIVE STREET LIGHTING – HAZARDOUS</u> WASTE REPORT

Commissioner Percy Simond stated that he would like for the Commission to consider using Certificates of Obligation for the building of streets and bridges in the City. Commissioner Simond stated that some of the City streets are in bad condition.

Commissioner Simond stated that about 3 years ago there had been some discussion about a Purchasing Agent for the City. Commissioner Simond stated that all big firms who handle as much buying as the City does has a Purchasing Agent and in his opinion, it would be a good idea for the City to consider a Purchasing Agent.

Mayor Garrison stated that when Royal Dunlap worked for the City, part of Mr. Dunlap's job was purchasing, and he did not remember when the position had been eliminated.

Commissioner Foley stated that the position had been established, but not funded.

Commissioner Simond stated that at last meeting, he had brought up the subject of why the City did not have identifying colors, such as black and white, for police cars and had been told by Commissioner Foley it was because of the resale value.

Commissioner Simond stated that, in his opinion, the City should consider having some identification such as the DPS has. Commissioner Simond stated the Police Department's job is to stop a crime before it happens, and they couldn't do that if they are hiding out waiting to give someone a ticket. Commissioner Simond stated that the resale value of a police car is practically nil, and consideration should be given to identification of the vehicles.

In response to question by Commissioner Simond, Public Works Director Ron Wesch stated that TP & L is in the process of replacing the lights on Kurth Drive with sodium vapors.

Commissioner Foley stated that he hoped that the City never got to the point where they had to issue C.O's for street repairs. Commissioner Foley stated that in addition to a Purchasing Agent, the City also needed a Comptroller. Commissioner Foley stated that, in his opinion, Police cars should not be hidden, and if the cars are visible, they would be more likely to prevent something happening.

City Manager Westerholm stated that he had available a report on hazardous waste and how the City would react to a spill, and it would be mailed to each Commissioner.

18. There being no further business for consideration, meeting adjourned at 7:18 P.M.

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ATTEST:

Atha Stokes - City Secretary

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