

SPECIAL MEETING OF CITY COMMISSION
MAY 23, 1988 AT 12:00 O'CLOCK NOON

On the 23rd day of May, 1988, the City Commission of the City of Lufkin, Texas, convened in a Special Meeting in the Council Chambers of City Hall with the following members thereof, to-wit:

Pitser H. Garrison	Mayor
Percy Simond, Jr.	Commissioner, Ward 1
Danny Roper	Commissioner, Ward 3
Bob Bowman	Commissioner, Ward 4
Jack Gorden	Commissioner, Ward 5
Harvey Westerholm	City Manager
Brian Boudreaux	Asst. City Manager
Atha Stokes	City Secretary

being present, and

Don Boyd	Commissioner, Ward 2
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being absent when the following business was transacted.

1. Meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. Curtis Keith, Minister, First Christian Church, Lufkin.

2. PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTION TO PAT FOLEY

Mayor Garrison stated that at last meeting members of the Commission had suggested that a Resolution be presented to Pat Foley in appreciation of his tenure on the City Commission.

Motion was made by Commissioner Danny Roper and seconded by Commissioner Percy Simond that Resolution be presented to Pat Foley. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

Mayor Garrison presented Resolution to Pat Foley in appreciation of his support, cooperation, dedicated service and progressive and vibrant leadership while serving on the City Commission.

3. CANVASS OF MAY 21, 1988 RUN-OFF ELECTION RETURNS - MAYOR - COMMISSIONER, WARD 6

Mayor Garrison stated that a Run-off Election had been held on May 21, 1988, and announced the results of the Election from the returns forwarded to the City Commission by the Election judges.

The following returns indicating results of the City Election were reviewed for the office of Mayor and Commissioner of Ward 6:

Total Number of Votes Received

Mayor:

Louis Bronaugh	1157
Ed Wareing	1029

Commissioner, Ward 6:

Paul Mayberry	222
Jerry E. Hill	151

Mayor Garrison stated that the above election results had been reviewed and tabulated, which indicated winners of the election to be:

Mayor - Louis Bronaugh
Commissioner, Ward 6 - Paul Mayberry

Motion was made by Commissioner Bob Bowman and seconded by Commissioner Danny Roper that the returns have been canvassed and that Louis Bronaugh be declared Mayor of the City of Lufkin and Paul Mayberry declared as Commissioner of Ward 6. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

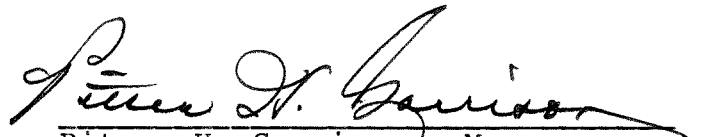
3. OATHS OF OFFICE ADMINISTERED - MAYOR - COMMISSIONER, WARD 6

Mayor Garrison administered the oath of office to Louis Bronaugh as Mayor of the City of Lufkin, and to Paul Mayberry as Commissioner of Ward 6.

4. COMMENTS FROM MAYOR EMERITUS PITSER GARRISON

Mayor Garrison stated that he would like to take time to say to Harvey Westerholm, who was City Manager when he became Mayor, and is the only City Manager he has worked with, that it has been a very satisfying, rewarding and enjoyable experience working with him. Mayor Garrison stated that he had been asked by a number of people what his parting advise or admonition to the City Commission would be as he leaves office. Mayor Garrison stated that after much reflection, and because of the pleasure of working with a City Manager who has been so effective and worked so diligently with this Commission, he would present this admonition to the members of the City Commission who have assumed these responsibilities, and that is, "that there is not one single member of the City Commission who is given any authority whatsoever over the operation of the City of Lufkin's affairs. The Mayor does not have any authority and no individual commissioner has any authority. Our only authority comes from being a member of the City Commission, and the City Commission acts only through official orders and resolutions of the City Commission. The City Commission that has been in place for the years since Harvey Westerholm has been here, have been mindful of that fact and have respected the fact that if a person is chosen to be the operating officer of the City he must be permitted to do so without interference from others. Under the section of the Charter that provides for the authority of the City Manager and the restricted authority of the City Commission, I would call your attention to the fact that you can only discipline yourselves to follow the Charter, and if you choose to ignore it you have that privilege or power, but we are told in the Charter that the City Commission cannot interfere in the management of the City because that is given exclusively to the City Manager, and we have this one specific provision of which I remind you, - that neither the City Commission nor any of its members shall instruct or request the City Manager or any of his subordinates to appoint to or remove from office or employment any person except with respect to those offices which are filled by appointment by the Commission under the provisions of this Charter, except for the purpose of inquiry and investigation the Commission and its members shall deal with the administrative service of the City solely through the City Manager and shall not give orders to any of the City Manager's subordinates either publicly or privately. There may be some who disagree with this provision of the Charter but as long as it is in place I trust that every member of the Commission will diligently follow the commands of this Charter which is the only authority under which we operate."

5. There being no further business for consideration, meeting adjourned at 12:40 P. M.


Pitser H. Garrison - Mayor

ATTEST:


Atha Stokes, City Secretary