

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY
OF LUFKIN, TEXAS, HELD ON 6th DAY OF NOV., 1962, AT 7:30 P.M.**

On the 6th day of November, 1962, the City Commission of the City of Lufkin, Texas, convened in regular meeting in regular meeting place of said City, with the following members thereof, to-wit:

Jim Waters	Mayor
Victor V. Bruce	Commissioner, Ward No. 1
Beamon S. Cook	Commissioner, Ward No. 2
S. Harry Kerr	Commissioner, Ward No. 3
A. G. Welch	Commissioner, Ward No. 4
Granville Wright	City Manager
Lynn Durham	City Secretary
William Drew Perkins	City Attorney

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

1. Meeting opened with prayer by Rev. Raymond Dunkin, Pastor of the Parkview Baptist Church, who left immediately due to other commitments after being thanked by Mayor Waters for his participation.
2. Several visitors were welcomed by the Mayor who were present as observers or in connection with items on the agenda.
3. Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved.
4. Mr. G. W. Rawls appeared before the City Commission and requested that consideration be given to amending present ordinance on house to house canvassing by lowering amount required for license. City Attorney stated that our present ordinance should be rewritten as it was doubtful that in present form was constitutional. City Commission members took no official action on Mr. Rawl's request but by motion by Commissioner Victor V. Bruce, seconded by Commissioner Beamon S. Cook and by unanimous vote, instructed City Attorney to rewrite ordinance but to retain license fee of \$100.00 to defray cost of administering.
5. Commissioner Beamon S. Cook made motion that ordinance, which was read by City Attorney, be approved on first reading covering zone change request of J. E. Womack and H. W. Collins from "A" to "F" District covering portion of Tract Nos. 4 and 5 shown on City Map 21 and being ^{that} part of said Tracts extending from the S boundary line of Frank Ave., 277.2 feet in a southerly direction to the N margin of Moore Avenue as produced westerly and being in the John L. Quinalty League. Commissioner A. G. Welch seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.
6. Mr. J. A. Bryan appeared before the City Commission in regard to passage of his zone change request on second and final reading from "A" to "C" District covering Lots 1 and 2, Block 4, Woodland Heights Addition, and Lots 13 and 14, Block 3, Oakland Addition, located at corner of Frank and Bledsoe. Mr. Bryan did not furnish satisfactory plat covering off-street parking as had been requested by City Commission per recommendation of Zone Board and City Planning Commission. Commissioner Victor V. Bruce made motion that zone change not be passed on second and final reading since Mr. Bryan has had sufficient time to comply with request. Commissioner Beamon S. Cook asked Mr. Bryan if he could furnish the plat by next meeting and have approved by City Planning Commission prior to meeting. Mr. Bryan stated that he would do this. Commissioner Victor V. Bruce withdrew his motion and final action will be taken at next meeting.
7. Commissioner S. Harry Kerr made motion that ordinance changing zone from "A" to "E" District covering property located on Lotus Lane, 790' from old City Limits, a total of 500' that is now inside City Limits, as requested by Homer Swindler of Star Lodge, Inc., be approved on second and final reading. Motion seconded by Commissioner Beamon S. Cook and the vote was unanimous.
8. City Manager stated Lufkin Independent School District was desirous of securing water from City for Herty Elementary School and in discussion with School representative, it developed that school system would consider expense of installing an 8" line if

City would absorb the difference in cost between 6" and 8" pipe. City Commission was desirous of assisting the school if proper size of lines could be decided upon and proper arrangements made with school on financing etc.. City Manager was instructed to discuss further with School officials in order that definite proposal could be considered by City Commission and School Board.

9. City Manager stated he had written letter to Southern Pacific Railroad officials in Houston regarding installation of warning signals at RR crossing at Pershing just before entering Chambers Park and had talked with officials of Texas Southeastern Railroad Company regarding warning signals on crossing on State Highway 94 at Loop 287. Further stated he had received letter from Southern Pacific official advising that a warning signal on Pershing was estimated to cost \$5500.00 to \$6000.00 and would be installed if City would absorb this expense. Also, Texas Southeastern official advised that sufficient warning signals would be installed at crossing on Highway 94 shortly. City Attorney was instructed to check into legal aspects of the warning signal at Pershing to see what responsibility the Southern Pacific has with regard to the public in this instance.
10. City Manager stated we had received several inquiries lately from persons who expressed a desire to purchase the Rambler cars we now have stored at City Warehouse. These cars consist of one '60 and two '61 four door sedans and suggested we advertise for bids to see what we might receive by selling them outright rather than trading them in on new police cars. City Commission was in agreement and instructed City Manager to advertise for bids to be received not later than 7:30 PM on Nov. 20, 1962, and opened in meeting on this date with City retaining right to reject any and all bids.
11. City Manager stated that Nov. 11, Veterans Day, was one of City's regular holidays but since it falls on Sunday this year, Monday, Nov. 12th would be the day to observe. He stated he checked with the Chamber of Commerce and was informed that banks, stores, etc., were going to be open on Monday, Nov. 12th. However, the Court House plans to stay open Nov. 12th and observe Friday, Nov. 23rd, following Thanksgiving, allowing the County employees a long weekend holiday. After some discussion, Commissioner S. Harry Kerr made motion that City not close on Nov. 12th, but, instead, observe Nov. 23rd in honor of veterans for this year only. Commissioner Beamon S. Cook seconded motion and the vote was unanimous.
12. City Manager called attention to condition of Southern Pacific Railroad crossing on Dozier Avenue near Coca Cola plant, advising that same was very rough. Mayor stated that City has an ordinance setting out the details to be followed in construction of crossings and if not being complied with, should be called to attention of proper officials of Southern Pacific Railroad Company. City Manager to handle.
13. City Manager reported on status of progress being made in connection with easements to handle the drainage problem on Reen Street. Two or three property owners have not signed and have presented estimates on amount necessary to replace shrubbery, grass, trees, etc., amounting to approximately \$900.00. No commitment made by City Commission and City Manager instructed to continue efforts to bring matter to satisfactory conclusion.
13. Open items were gone over and present status determined.
14. There being no further business for discussion, meeting was adjourned at 9:15 P.M.

ATTEST:

Lynn Durham
Lynn Durham - City Secretary

Jim Waters
Mayor - City of Lufkin, Texas