

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS, HELD ON THE 4TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1980, AT 7:30 P.M.

On the 4th day of November, 1980, the City Commission of the City of Lufkin, Texas, convened in regular meeting in the Council Room at City Hall with the following members thereof, to-wit:

Percy A. Simond, Jr.	Commissioner, Ward No. 1(new plan)
Bob McCurry	Commissioner, Ward No. 3(new plan)
Pat Foley	Commissioner, Ward No. 4(new plan)
E. C. Wareing	Commissioner, Ward No. 4(old plan)
Richard Thompson	Commissioner at Large, Place B(old plan)
Harvey Westerholm	City Manager
Roger G. Johnson	Assistant City Manager
Robert L. Flournoy	City Attorney
Ann Griffin	Assistant City Secretary

being present, and

Pitser H. Garrison	Mayor
Don E. Boyd	Commissioner, Ward No. 2(new plan)

being absent when the following business was transacted.

1. Meeting opened with prayer by Rev. George Pence, Headmaster of St. Cyprian's Episcopal Church, Lufkin, Texas.
2. Mayor Pro Tem Wareing welcomed visitors present.
3. Presentation of Award - C. D. Lowery

Mayor Pro Tem Wareing stated that the City Commission had the privilege of presenting an award to Mr. C. D. Lowery for his years of service to the City as a member of the Examining & Supervising Board of Electricians. Mr. Lowery expressed his thanks to the City Commission and the City Staff for their help in the years that he served on the Examining & Supervising Board of Electricians.

4. Approval of Minutes

Minutes of regular meeting of October 21, 1980, were approved on motion by Commissioner Richard Thompson. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Percy Simond and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

5. Texas Forestry Museum - Request for Financial Help - Approved  
Civic Center Budget Amended - Approval of Purchases for Civic Center

Mayor Pro Tem Wareing stated that the request for financial help from the Texas Forestry Museum had been tabled at last regular meeting of City Commission until a list of improvements for the Civic Center could be reviewed by Commission. Mayor Pro Tem Wareing further stated that the balance in the Civic Center Budget was \$32,000 and an additional \$2,900 would be added by the end of the year.

Commissioner Pat Foley stated that in the future he would desire that requests for financial aid from the City of Lufkin be turned in at the beginning of the work on the City budget, and that maybe the City Commission should establish some guidelines regarding future requests.

Motion was made by Commissioner Percy Simond and seconded by Commissioner Richard Thompson that request for funds by Texas Forestry Museum in the amount of \$2,485 be approved. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded. Motion was made by Commissioner Pat Foley and seconded by Bob McCurry that Civic Center be allowed to purchase needs as stated in City Manager Westerholm's letter in the amount of \$2,641.50, and that the Civic Center budget be amended to reflect the release of funds to the Texas Forestry Museum and the purchase by Civic Center. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

6. Resolution Authorizing Budget Information - State Department of Highways and Public Transportation - Approved

Mayor Pro Tem Wareing stated that a Resolution had been discussed at last regular meeting of City Commission and he was not clear as to why a resolution was needed in this instance. Ron Wesch with the Highway Department, stated that the State Office had instructed the Office in Lufkin to obtain a certified statement from the City of Lufkin and a letter from the City Manager if the City planned to receive any Federal Funds for transportation projects.

Commissioner Richard Thompson stated that in essence the Resolution was to get the City of Lufkin's name on the list for matching funds from the State. Mr. Wesch stated that if Resolution was not returned, funds might not be available when the City of Lufkin decided to apply for Federal Funds.

Motion was made by Commissioner Thompson and seconded by Commissioner Pat Foley that Resolution be approved. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

7. Bids Approved - Trash Liners - Adams Industries, Inc.

Mayor Pro Tem Wareing stated that bids had been approved at last regular meeting of City Commission for trash liners to be purchased from International Plastics, Inc., and when bags were received it was determined that product did not meet specifications for thickness and strength. City Manager Westerholm stated that the next low bidder, Adams Industries, had provided the trash liners last year and met the specifications of the City. Motion was made by Commissioner Pat Foley and seconded by Commissioner Percy Simond that bid be awarded to next lowest bidder that meets specifications or Adams Industries. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

8. Manufactured Dwelling Amendment to Zoning Ordinance - Approved - First Reading

Mayor Pro Tem Wareing stated that the Manufactured Dwelling Amendment to Zoning Ordinance had been returned to the City Planning & Zoning Commission for final approval, and their recommendation had been approved with the deletion of the requirement for a six (6) foot sight bearing fence to be constructed around property line. Motion was made by Commissioner Pat Foley and seconded by Commissioner Bob McCurry that Amendment be approved on first reading with the deletion of the requirement of the six (6) foot sight bearing fence. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

9. City of Diboll - Request for Additional Water Supply - Tabled

Mayor Pro Tem Wareing stated that City Commission had received a letter from the City of Diboll requesting additional water supply. Mayor Pro Tem Wareing then recognized Jeff Holberg, City Manager of Diboll. Mr. Holberg stated that the City of Diboll had been looking for water for some time, and all options would require transportation of water for great distances. Mr. Holberg further stated that one good option was to approach the City of Lufkin for an agreement to sell water to Diboll. Mr. Holberg stated that the City of Diboll would have to make a choice of the options based on economics and the ability of the water supply to provide future needs. Mr. Holberg further stated that the City of Diboll would be a very large customer which would help the City of Lufkin, and the orderly development of water resources for Angelina County should be explored. Mayor Pro Tem Wareing stated that the City of Lufkin would have nothing to lose by looking further into the possibility of a joint program for the benefit of both cities, and an engineering survey would have to be completed. Mr. Holberg stated that it would have to be determined what the City of Lufkin could supply and what the City of Diboll would need as well as the cost of beginning the program. Mayor Pro Tem Wareing asked Mr. Holberg if he had a figure in mind as to the cost of the study, and who would pay for same. Mr. Holberg stated that a joint effort might be a possibility, and his estimate was \$10,000.

In response to question by Commissioner Pat Foley, Mr. Holberg stated that the City of Diboll would need to know about availability of water by next summer or the end of the summer.

After much discussion, motion was made by Commissioner Bob McCurry and seconded by Commissioner Pat Foley that City Manager Westerholm be instructed to meet with Jeff Holberg, City Manager of Diboll, and develop an outline for consideration as how to proceed and estimated figures of the cost. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

Mr. C. D. Lowery stated that he was a member of the Fuller Springs Water system and he would like for the City of Lufkin to develop a comprehensive plan for the water development of the County. Mr. Lowery stated that Houston is obtaining some water from Lake Livingston and the cost and growth of cities is becoming greater than the water supply.

10. Zone Change Application - Approved - Phillip Morris - First Reading - RS to LB

Mayor Pro Tem Wareing stated that zone change application by Phillip Morris covering property fronting on Ford Chapel Road between Ford Chapel Road and Lufkin Avenue from Residential Small to Local Business had been recommended to City Commission by Planning & Zoning Commission. There was no opposition present. Motion was made by Commissioner Pat Foley and seconded by Commissioner Percy Simond that zone change be approved on first reading. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

11. Zone Change Application - Approved - Dr. Charles Kent - First Reading - RL to NR, SU(Professional Offices)

Mayor Pro Tem Wareing stated that zone change application by Dr. Charles Kent covering property located on the corner of West Kerr Avenue and South First Street from Residential Large to Neighborhood Retail, Special Use, (Professional Offices), had been recommended to City Commission by City Planning & Zoning Commission. There was no opposition present. Motion was made by Commissioner Bob McCurry and seconded by Commissioner Pat Foley that zone change be approved on first reading. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

12. City Cab Company - Request Approved to Open Without Meters

Mayor Pro Tem Wareing stated that City Cab Company was experiencing difficulty with obtaining meters for their taxicabs, but had complied with every other requirement of the Taxicab Ordinance. Mayor Pro Tem Wareing further stated that the company was experiencing a financial hardship by the requirement for the meters. City Attorney Flournoy stated that the City could waive the requirement for the meters for a 60 day period and if at the end of that time an additional extension was needed, the City Cab Company could come before City Commission again for consideration.

Motion was made by Commissioner Percy Simond and seconded by Commissioner Pat Foley that variance be granted for 60 days to operate taxicab franchise without meters. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

13. Executive Session - Appointment to Examining & Supervising Board of Electricians - Discussed

Mayor Pro Tem Wareing stated that the City Commission had an item to be discussed in Executive Session to include appointment to Examining and Supervising Board of Electricians. Mayor Pro Tem Wareing then recessed formal open meeting of the City Commission at 8:35 p.m. At 8:45 p.m., Mayor Pro Tem Wareing reconvened regular meeting of City Commission and made announcement to individuals present regarding results of Executive Session.

Mayor Pro Tem Wareing made announcement that members of City Commission had discussed appointment to Examining & Supervising Board of Electricians. Mayor Pro Tem Wareing announced that two (2) persons had been mentioned and it was necessary for only one (1) member to be appointed. Mayor Pro Tem Wareing stated that the City Staff would contact the first selected individual to see if he would serve and if he agreed, an announcement would be made as soon as possible. In the event this individual could not serve, the next selected individual would be contacted and the same procedure followed.

14. Media Table - Discussion of Location - City Commission Room

Commissioner Percy Simond stated that he had noticed for quite some time the absence of a table for the media to use during City Commission meetings. Commissioner Simond expressed his desire to provide a facility of this type in the near future. Following discussion, Assistant City Manager, Roger Johnson, was asked to contact various media representatives who attend City Commission meetings to discuss various proposals in this regard.

15. Discussion of Revenue Sharing Funds - Railroad Crossing at Feagin and Loop 287 area - Crossing Arms

Commissioner Pat Foley stated that Revenue Sharing Money was very important to municipalities, and members of City Commission should write their Senate and State Representatives to encourage support of Revenue Sharing Legislation in this regard.

Commissioner Pat Foley also brought attention to the fact that crossarms had recently been installed at the railroad crossing on Feagin Drive near Loop 287. Commissioner Foley asked whether or not the City Commission had approved this transaction. Following discussion, City Manager Westerholm was requested to investigate this activity and report to City Commission at next regular meeting.

16. Plastic Trash Liners - Increase of Cost per Roll Approved

City Manager Westerholm stated that under the new bid received from Adams Industries, as approved at this meeting, it would be necessary to increase the cost per roll of plastic trash liners to City customers in as much as the City's actual cost was \$3.44 per roll. Following review, motion was made by Commissioner Pat Foley and seconded by Commissioner Percy Simond to increase the cost per roll for plastic trash liners from the present cost to \$3.50 per customer. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

17. There being no further business for consideration, meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.



ATTEST:

Ann Luffin  
Assistant City Secretary

E. C. Wareing  
E. C. Wareing, Mayor Pro Tem