

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS, HELD ON THE 2ND DAY OF DECEMBER, 1980, AT 7:30 P.M.

On the 2nd day of December, 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:

Pitser H. Garrison	Mayor
Percy A. Simond, Jr.	Commissioner, Ward No. 1(new plan)
Don E. Boyd	Commissioner, Ward No. 2(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)
Harvey Westerholm	City Manager
Roger G. Johnson	Assistant City Manager
Robert L. Flournoy	City Attorney
Ann Griffin	Assistant City Secretary

being present, and

Richard Thompson Commissioner at Large, Place B(old plan)

being absent when the following business was transacted.

1. Meeting opened with prayer by Rev. Roger Lewis, Pastor of Glad Tidings Assembly of God Church, Lufkin, Texas.
2. Mayor Garrison welcomed visitors present and expressed his thanks to the City Commission for their thoughts and prayers during his wife's illness.
3. Approval of Minutes

Minutes of regular meeting of November 18, 1980, were approved on motion by Commissioner Pat Foley. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Don Boyd, and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

4. City of Diboll - Request for Additional Water Supply - Deferred

Mayor Garrison stated that a joint meeting had been scheduled for tonight between Diboll City Commission and Lufkin City Commission, but due to the late receipt of proposals from several engineering firms, the Diboll City Commission had asked that the joint meeting be delayed until a study could be made of the various engineering proposals.

Commissioner E. C. Wareing stated that he felt it presumptuous of Lufkin City Commission to ask Diboll City Commission to meet during Lufkin's regularly scheduled meeting, and he would suggest that a special meeting be called to concentrate on the matter of additional water supply for Diboll.

Commissioner Pat Foley stated that he concurred with Commissioner Wareing, provided enough time was given for a study of the engineering proposals.

Commissioner E. C. Wareing stated he would propose that the two (2) City Managers decide when City Commission members felt they were prepared for a joint meeting an announce same when decided.

Mayor Garrison stated that he had talked to St. Regis Paper Co. concerning water needs of Lufkin, and recently learned that St. Regis had reduced their consumption of sub-surface water. Mayor Garrison further stated that an engineering firm had been employed by St. Regis to determine the amount of water available, and when the report is completed, possibly by early 1981, St. Regis would share the report with the City of Lufkin. Mayor Garrison stated that St. Regis was doing their best to conserve underground water. It was decided that City Manager Westerholm would confer with Diboll City Manager and obtain a date for the joint meeting.

5. Amendment to Animal Control Ordinance - Approved - Second Reading

Mayor Garrison stated that an amendment to the animal control ordinance had been approved on first reading at last regular meeting of City Commission. There was no opposition present. Motion was made by Commissioner E. C. Wareing and seconded by Commissioner Don Boyd that amendment be approved on second and final reading. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

6. Application - Approved - TDCA- 701 Comprehensive Plan

Mayor Garrison stated that the City of Lufkin had been invited to make application under the 701 Comprehensive Plan for funds to bring the City's Master Plan up-to-date. Mayor Garrison stated that the present Master Plan was completed in January of 1973 and a new plan was needed. Motion was made by Commissioner Don Boyd and seconded by Commissioner Pat Foley that the appropriate City Officials be authorized to make application under the 701 Comprehensive Plan. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

7. Resolution - Approved - Authorization of Inter-Local Assistance by Law Enforcement Agencies

Mayor Garrison stated that various governmental entities in the DETCOG Region were interested in an inter-agency operation under Article 999(b) of Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes. Mayor Garrison further stated that the cities involved decided to let Lufkin make application for Criminal Justice Funding to implement the program. Motion was made by Commissioner Percy Simond and seconded by Commissioner E. C. Wareing that Resolution be approved. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

8. Resolution - Approved - Authorizing Application to Criminal Justice Division - Narcotics Task Force

Mayor Garrison stated that law enforcement agencies of cities in inter-local assistance program were interested in developing a Narcotics Task Force and a Narcotics Task Force would be made up of law enforcement agencies in the DETCOG Region in an effort to more effectively control narcotic violations in our area. Mayor Garrison further stated a resolution was needed to authorize the City of Lufkin to apply for funding from the Criminal Justice Council to conduct the Narcotic Task Force. Motion was made by Commissioner Don Boyd and seconded by Commissioner Pat Foley that resolution be approved. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

9. Permanent Mobile Home and Zone Change Application - Denied - Frankie Karrh - RL to RS

Mayor Garrison stated that Permanent Mobile Home and Zone change Application by Frankie Karrh covering property located on Moffett Road between Medford Drive and Glade Street from Residential Large to Residential Small had been recommended to City Commission for approval, but some opposition had been voiced at the Planning & Zoning Commission meeting. Commissioner Pat Foley recused himself from vote or discussion on this item because of his personal interest in adjacent property.

Mayor Garrison then recognized Mrs. Karrh who was present in representation of application. Mrs. Karrh stated that the reason given by adjacent property owners for opposition was their intent to develop a subdivision, but they have not applied for a subdivision plat of the property. Mrs. Karrh stated that several property owners were led to believe that a mobile home park was being built instead of a single mobile home being placed on the property. Mrs. Karrh stated that her property was 93' x 500'. Mrs. Karrh presented photographs of surrounding property for review by the members of City Commission.

Commissioner Percy Simond stated that in the past he had considered voting against mobile homes being placed at random around Lufkin, and he was opposed to this application because he knew the property surrounding it was valuable.

Mayor Garrison stated the placing of mobile homes had been a problem for the City Commission, and the City had recently passed a Mobile Home Ordinance to allow for development of locations for mobile homes. Mayor Garrison further stated it would be inconsistent with the new ordinance to allow mobile homes to be placed at random within the City.

Mr. & Mrs. Pascal Foley appeared in opposition to application and voiced the following reasons:

- a. Plans for developing residential subdivision
- b. Plan to build their own home on adjacent property
- c. Lufkin now has provisions for mobile homes

Mrs. Foley stated that many of the petition signers worked out of town and were unable to attend City Commission meeting, to include Judge Moore, but all were still in opposition. Mrs. Foley further stated that all adjacent property owners knew that only one (1) mobile home was to be placed on property.

Mrs. Karrh stated that the petition presented to City Commission represented a small portion of people in the area as being opposed, but she was sure the City Commission would vote for the best of the neighborhood.

Commissioner E. C. Wareing stated that in the past the City Commission had only approved zone changes for the placement of mobile homes if there had been no objections registered by neighbors; because if neighbors are not in agreement the neighborhood is more severely affected.

Commissioner Bob McCurry stated because of the opposition, he could not vote for the application.

Motion was made by Commissioner Percy Simond and seconded by Commissioner E. C. Wareing that application be denied. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded with Commissioner Pat Foley recusing from vote.

10. Zone Change Application - Approved - William W. Dawson - RL to C

Mayor Garrison stated that zone change application by William W. Dawson covering property located at 2709 S. Medford Drive between Ponderosa Drive and Sybil Street from Residential Large to Commercial was recommended to City Commission by the Planning & Zoning Commission for approval. There was no opposition present.

Commissioner E. C. Wareing asked why the zone was to be changed to Commercial if apartments were to be built on property. Jim Amerine, purchaser, stated that originally apartments were planned, but at the present, he planned to open an automobile business on the property.

Motion was made by Commissioner Pat Foley and seconded by Commissioner Bob McCurry that application be approved on first reading of ordinance. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

11. Zone Change Application - Approved - Pinewoods Mental Health, Inc. LB to C, SU(Halfway House)

Mayor Garrison stated that zone change application by Pinewoods Mental Health, Inc., covering property located on Old Mill Road between McMullen Street and Henderson Street from Local Business to Commercial, Special Use(Halfway House), had been recommended to City Commission by Planning & Zoning Commission for approval. There was no opposition present.

Motion was made by Commissioner E. C. Wareing and seconded by Commissioner Percy Simond that application be approved on first reading of ordinance. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

12. Permanent Mobile Home and Zone Change Application - Approved - Sam Crain III

Mayor Garrison stated that permanent mobile home and zone change application by Sam Crain III covering property located at 2018 Spence Street between Spence Street and Hwy. 59 from Light Manufacturing to Residential Small had been recommended to City Commission by Planning & Zoning Commission for approval. There was no opposition present.

Motion was made by Commissioner E. C. Wareing and seconded by Commissioner Percy Simond that application be approved on first reading of ordinance. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

Commissioner E. C. Wareing stated that this permanent mobile home application was similar to the application of Mrs. Karrh that was denied, but there was no opposition from any neighbors.

13. Bids Approved - Motor Fuel Control System - Uniforms

- A. Mayor Garrison stated that the following bids had been received on the installation of a control system at the City warehouse to prevent unauthorized people from obtaining admittance to the warehouse facility, and an automatic gasoline pump that registers the amount used:

Hewitt Pump, Inc.	\$6,655
Oil Marketing Equipment Co.	\$6,800

Mayor Garrison stated that Hewitt Pump, Inc. was the low bidder at \$6,655. Motion was made by Commissioner Pat Foley and seconded by Commissioner E. C. Wareing that low-bid be accepted and authorized for payment. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

- B. Mayor Garrison stated the City takes bids on uniforms for City employees each year, and this year the low-bidder failed to meet the specifications of flaps on the shirt pockets, and the staff felt this was not essential to the overall uniform. The following bids were received:

Dickies Work Clothes Rental Ser.	\$39.85 per suit
Factory Sales Uniform Co.	\$54.65 per suit
Industrial Towel & Uniform Co.	\$50.05 per suit

City Manager Westerholm stated that he did not feel the shirt flap was worth the \$2 or \$3 difference per shirt, and recommended that Dickies bid be accepted at \$39.85 per suit of workclothes. Dwayne Humphrey, Public Works Coordinator, stated that the two lowest bidders had presented identical trousers and shirts of like quality. Motion was made by Commissioner E. C. Wareing and seconded by Commissioner Percy Simond that Dickies bid be accepted without pocket flap and authorized for payment. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

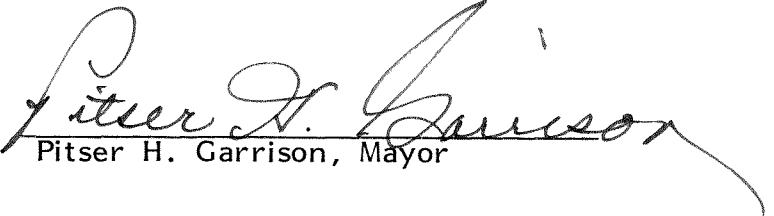
14. Comments from Commissioner - High Turnover in Police Department

Commissioner E. C. Wareing stated that he was delighted to have the Mayor back and to learn that his wife was making a fast recovery.

Commissioner Don Boyd stated that he was concerned about the high rate of turnover in the police department, and asked City Manager Westerholm if the reason was related to salary. City Manager Westerholm stated that he did not know if the rate of turnover was any higher than it had been in the past, but he would look into it and make a report back to the City Commission. Commissioner Pat Foley stated that he would like to have the records checked back five (5) years relating to rate of turnover.

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15. There being no further business for discussion, meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

  
Pitser H. Garrison, Mayor



ATTEST:

  
Assistant City Secretary