

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY
OF LUFKIN, TEXAS, HELD ON 15th DAY OF MAY, 1962, AT 7:30 P.M.

On the 15th day of May, 1962, the City Commission of the City of Lufkin, Texas, convened in regular meeting in the regular meeting place of said City, with the following members thereof, to-wit:

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, and the following absent:

Jim Waters	Mayor
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constituting a quorum, when the following business was transacted:

1. Meeting opened with prayer by Dr. Arthur DeLoach, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Lufkin, Texas. Dr. DeLoach left immediately due to other commitments after being thanked by Mayor Pro Tem A. G. Welch for his participation.
2. Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved.
3. Mayor Pro Tem A. G. Welch welcomed a large number of visitors who were present as observers or in connection with items on the agenda.
4. John Parker acted as spokesman for several representatives of the Lufkin Junior Chamber of Commerce who appeared before the City Commission and requested consideration be given to use of special traffic tickets for visitors from out of county as a good will gesture. Lufkin Junior Chamber of Commerce will absorb all expense of printing and furnishing the tickets.
All Commission members were in agreement with the suggestion and several ideas were presented as to type of ticket to be issued and the areas involved. City Attorney stated this should be approved by ordinance and would present it at next meeting for consideration and approval. Mayor Pro Tem A. G. Welch requested this be done.
5. Commissioner Beamon S. Cook made motion that ordinance covering the elimination of one of two clerks in Corporation Court be passed on second and final reading. Commissioner Victor V. Bruce seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.
6. Commissioner Victor V. Bruce made motion that ordinance eliminating the classification of Sergeant-Detective in the Police Department be passed on first reading. Commissioner Beamon S. Cook seconded the motion with the following vote recorded:

Voting Aye:

Commissioner Victor V. Bruce
Commissioner Beamon S. Cook
Commissioner A. G. Welch

Voting Nay:

Commissioner S. Harry Kerr

Mayor Pro Tem A. G. Welch declared motion carried by majority vote.

7. Commissioner Beamon S. Cook made motion that notice of hearing be ordered published in newspaper for meeting of June 5, 1962, on zone change application of Claude C. Hill from "E" to "F" District on East one-third of Lot No. 7, Block No. 1, Garrett Addition, located at corner of Lake Street and Kurth Drive. Commissioner Victor V. Bruce seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.
8. Commissioner Victor V. Bruce made motion that ordinance be passed on second and final reading covering zone change from "C" to "F" District on West one-half of Lot No. 2, and all of Lot No. 1, Block 108, Original Townsite of Lufkin, Texas, located on Laurel Street, next to Rudd Cleaners, by L. E. Caraway and wife, Dorothy. Motion seconded by Commissioner Beamon S. Cook and the vote was unanimous.
9. Commissioner Victor V. Bruce made motion that ordinance be passed on second and final reading covering zone change from "C" to "F" District on Lot No. 1-A, being a portion of Blk No. 112, located at Laurel and Chestnut, by R. H. Duncan. Motion seconded by Beamon S. Cook and the vote was unanimous.
10. Attorney Edward T. McFarland, along with Mr. Noland Squyres, appeared before City Commission and Mr. McFarland, acting as spokesman for Mr. Squyres, requested passage on first reading of ordinance covering zone change from "A" to "F" District on property located at Corner of Camp Street and South Bynum. Mr. McFarland stated Mr. Squyres intended to construct a new building and grocery business would continue to be operated. He stated that if change was not granted, grocery business would be conducted in present old building.

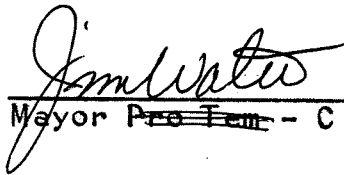
Mr. Hubert Dyer, along with some fifty other citizens, appeared to vigorously protest the change. Mr. Dyer acted as spokesman for the group, however, several others spoke also. Commissioner Victor V. Bruce made motion that ordinance not be passed. Motion seconded by Commissioner Beamon S. Cook and the vote was unanimous.
11. Commissioner Beamon S. Cook made motion that ordinance covering zone change from "H" to "L" District on Lots 14, 15 and 16, Block No. 1, Clark Addition, by W. S. Hanover and wife, be passed on first reading. Commissioner Victor V. Bruce seconded the motion and before vote was taken some discussion developed as to recommendation of Zone Board and City Planning Commission after recent meeting with City Planner.

City Secretary stated neither group had made their recommendations but would have this information before next meeting when ordinance will be considered for second and final reading. Mayor Pro Tem A. G. Welch called for vote on the motion and vote on same was unanimous.
12. D. F. Hunt, along with several other persons, were present to protest passage of ordinance on first reading covering zone change from "A" to "L" District on Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4 of W. S. May Sub-Division, by H. E. Franklin on which permit was previously approved by City Commission. Mr. Franklin's application stated that property owners within 200 ft. had signed statement stating they had no objection. However, Mr. Hunt stated there were several other property owners within the 200 ft. distance who did not sign.

City Attorney suggested that action be delayed until next meeting and he would check into matter and advise legal status, since permit had already been approved.

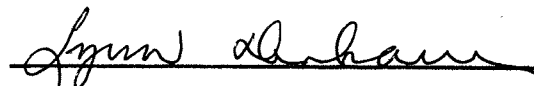
13. Action on renewal of contract with David Walker, attorney, was held up until next meeting when Mayor is present and all details are worked out.
14. City Manager read letter from Paul McWilliams, Superintendent of Parks, wherein he recommends that City Commission approve leasing of concession stand at Winston Park during summer since City loses money on this operation each year. City Manager stated he concurred with recommendation and suggested approval by City Commission.
City Commission instructed City Manager to have Mr. McWilliams contact interested parties or organizations, including Lufkin Junior Chamber of Commerce, who expressed an interest, and report at next meeting in order that definite approval could be given.
15. City Manager stated he had discussed the matter of establishing a new street paving formula for Lufkin with City Engineer but was not prepared to give a definite recommendation at this time.
16. City Manager stated a number of property owners desired to have paving done on Paul Avenue from Trenton Street to City Limits but were not certain they would be able to raise the assessment against all property owners and, if not, desired to know what policy the City might have on oiling the street. No decision reached until it is known whether assessments will be raised for paving.
17. City Manager presented statement from Land Planning, Inc., in amount of \$4,050.00 covering work performed on Comprehensive Plan in accordance with contract this firm has with City of Lufkin, Texas. City Manager stated the statement had been approved by Chairman of City Planning Commission, and City Engineer and City Secretary stated he had checked statement against contract and same was in line for payment.
Commissioner Beamon S. Cook made motion that City Manager be authorized to pay \$4,050.00 per statement presented. Commissioner Victor V. Bruce seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.
18. Commissioner Victor V. Bruce made motion that invoices for the month be ordered paid. Motion seconded by Commissioner Beamon S. Cook and the vote was unanimous.
19. City Manager Granville Wright advised he had arranged for the services of the private investigating firm of Bradley, Wilson & Associates of Houston, Texas, to make a thorough investigation of all activities of the City due to persistent rumors of insecurity at City Hall, bickering, anonymous letters, signs, etc., and stated that he desired to get the air cleared as he did not want innocent people hurt and desired to get on with the job of running the City's business without all the adverse publicity that has been circulating recently.
City Manager desired official approval of City Commission of his action. Commissioner S. Harry Kerr inquired as to cost. City Manager stated there were three men working and City would be charged on an hourly basis but cost should range from \$500 to \$1000. Commissioner Beamon S. Cook asked if it would be the same as an audit. City Manager stated it was not an audit but any City official, employee and any transaction would be subject to checking. Commissioner Beamon S. Cook made motion that approval be given to City Manager's action. Commissioner Victor V. Bruce seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

20. Open items were gone over and deletion made of items handled during month.
21. There being no further business for consideration, meeting adjourned at 10:00 P.M.



Mayor ~~Pro Tem~~ - City of Lufkin, Texas

Attest:



City Secretary - City of Lufkin, Texas