

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS, HELD ON THE 4TH DAY OF MAY, 1976, AT 7:30 P. M.

On the 4th day of May, 1976, 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
R. A. Brookshire	Commissioner, Ward No. 1
Pat Foley	Commissioner, Ward No. 2
Jack McMullen	Commissioner, Ward No. 3
E. C. Wareing	Commissioner, Ward No. 4
W. O. Ricks, Jr.	Commissioner at Large, Place A
E. G. Pittman	Commissioner at Large, Place B
Harvey Westerholm	City Manager
Robert L. Flournoy	City Attorney
Roger G. Johnson	City Secretary

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

1. Meeting opened with prayer by Rev. Ed Russell, Pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, Lufkin, Texas.
2. Mayor Garrison welcomed a small group of visitors who were present in connection with items on the agenda or as observers.
3. Approval of Minutes

Comm. Pat Foley made motion that minutes of regular meeting of April 20, 1976, be approved. Motion was seconded by Comm. W. O. Ricks, Jr., and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

4. Ordinances Approved 2nd Readings-Annexation & Permanent Zoning to C District - Mrs. George Powell

Mayor Garrison stated that annexation and permanent zoning request by Mrs. George Powell covering property located South of Loop 287 between Mott Drive and Old Diboll Highway had been approved on first reading of ordinances at last regular meeting.

There were no persons present appearing in opposition to either annexation or permanent zoning of this property to C District. Comm. Pat Foley made motion that ordinance annexing this property be approved on second and final reading of ordinance. Motion was seconded by Comm. E. G. Pittman and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

Comm. E. C. Wareing made motion that ordinance zoning this property to C District be approved on second and final reading. Motion was seconded by Comm. W. O. Ricks, Jr., and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

5. Zoning Ordinance #1146 Amended- Ordinance Approved 2nd Reading-Lot Widths, Depths & Sizes

Mayor Garrison stated that ordinance had been approved on first reading at last regular meeting amending the City Zoning Regulation for lot widths, depths and sizes for RL, RM and RS lots. Members of Commission reviewed the following proposed changes as indicated:

Lot Widths - 80' for RL; 60' for RM and 40' for RS

Lot Depths - 100' for RL; No Minimum for RM and RS

Lot Sizes - 10,000 sq.ft. for RL; 6,000 sq.ft. for RM; 4,000 sq.ft. for RS

Comm. E. C. Wareing made motion that above proposed changes be implemented as previously discussed and ordinance be approved on second and final reading amending Zoning Ordinance #1146. Motion was seconded by Comm. Pat Foley and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

6. Zone Change Approved 1st Reading-C. D. Bragg from R-1 to C Dist.

Mayor Garrison stated that zone change application by C. D. Bragg from R-1 to C District covering property located South of Paul Avenue and immediately East of Loop 287, at intersection with Loop 287, had been presented for consideration.

There were no persons present appearing in opposition to proposed zone change and Comm. E. G. Pittman made motion that zone change application by C. D. Bragg from R-1 to C District be approved on first reading of ordinance. Motion was seconded by Comm. E. C. Wareing and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

7. Zone Change Approved 1st Reading-Dr. Royce E. Read-R-2 to LB Dist.

Mayor Garrison stated that zone change application by Dr. Royce E. Read from R-2 to LB District covering property fronting on Kiln Avenue between Bynum & Franklin Streets, being Tracts 16, 17, 18E and 18F, had been presented for consideration.

There were no persons present appearing in opposition to proposed zone change and Comm. W. O. Ricks, Jr., made motion that zone change application by Dr. Royce E. Read from R-2 to LB District be approved on first reading of ordinance. Motion was seconded by Comm. E. C. Wareing and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

8. Speed Limit Amendment Approved 1st Reading-Areas Zoned for Speeds in Excess of 30 MPH

City Manager Westerholm reported that recent surveys by the Traffic Safety Coordinator in conjunction with the Texas Highway Department, to include Highway 103 East, had been inadvertently omitted by the State Department of Highways & Public Transportation in a previous recommendation for speed zone changes. Mr. Westerholm further stated that an amendment to Section 24-62 of the City Code of Ordinances would be necessary to provide speeds greater than 30 MPH within the City Limits.

Members of Commission were distributed copies of ordinance revealing these specific locations recommended for change. Comm. E. C. Wareing made motion that Section 24-62 of the City Code of Ordinances be amended to provide speeds greater than 30 MPH as recommended in ordinance. Motion was seconded by Comm. Pat Foley and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

9. Resolution Approved-Angelina County Commissioners' Court-Bid for Hosting North & East Texas County Association Convention for 1977

City Manager Westerholm explained that the Angelina County Commissioners' Court was making a bid to host the North & East Texas County Association Convention for 1977 at the Lufkin Civic Center. City Manager Westerholm recommended consideration of this convention by way of resolution endorsement.

Following discussion, Comm. E. G. Pittman made motion that resolution be approved endorsing this activity in accordance with recommendation by City Manager Westerholm. Motion was seconded by Comm. W. O. Ricks, Jr., and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

10. City Ground Storage Water Tank-Engineering Services Approved for Repairs

City Manager Westerholm explained that in 1974 bids had been requested and received for repairs of the City's 1,000,000 gallon ground storage water tanks which exceeded the City's budgeted amount and same were delayed for repair until this budget year. Mr. Westerholm further stated that funds had been budgeted in current City Budget which could accomodate these repairs.

Mr. Westerholm further stated that a copy of proposal from Mr. Don Reichle had been forwarded members of Commission for review which indicated his costs and obligations for performing services that were necessary to assure the City an adequate performance by the contractor. A copy of Mr. Reichle's proposal is attached to minutes for permanent record.

Following discussion of this proposal by Mr. Reichle, Comm. W. O. Ricks, Jr., made motion that Mr. Reichle be awarded contract for repairs in accordance with proposal of February 14, 1976. Motion was seconded by Comm. E. G. Pittman and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

11. Removal of Abandoned/Junked Vehicles-Ordinance Approved 1st Reading

City Attorney Flournoy explained that the Police Department and City Judge had recently drafted a proposed amendment to Section 15-36 of the City Code of Ordinances which established new provisions for removal of abandoned or junked vehicles. City Attorney Flournoy further stated that this ordinance up-dated the City's existing ordinance which had become obsolete and he personally recommended the approval of same which provided certain functions required by state regulations.

Comm. W. O. Ricks, Jr., made motion that ordinance be approved on first reading amending Section 15-36 of City Code of Ordinances regarding abandoned or junked vehicles. Motion was seconded by Comm. E. G. Pittman and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

12. Adjournment-Executive Session to Discuss City Property Acquisition

Mayor Garrison declared open meeting formally closed for a temporary period to provide members of Commission an opportunity to meet in an executive session regarding City acquisition of property.

13. Regular Meeting Re-Opened-Copeland Street Construction Disc.-Zoning Regulation

Comm. E. C. Wareing asked City Manager Westerholm to comment regarding construction on Copeland Street turn lane to Loop 287. City Manager Westerholm stated that construction was being considered for the addition of a turn lane on Copeland Street and Loop 287 and further information would be available in the near future.

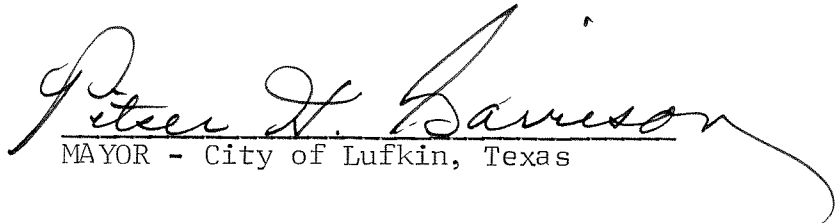
Comm. E. C. Wareing also requested that City Manager Westerholm instruct City Engineering Department to change all existing zoning maps as soon as possible to reflect recent changes in zoning regulations.

14. Pershing Avenue Construction - Disc.

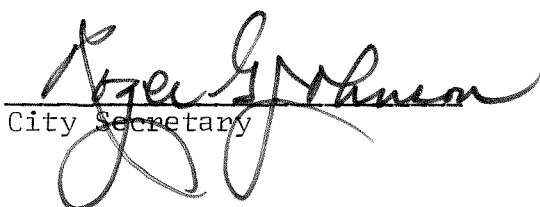
Comm. R. A. Brookshire inquired as to the status of construction on Pershing Avenue and expressed his opinion that inasmuch as bridge had been completed, City Manager should be authorized to check the feasibility of allowing traffic to pass on this street. City Manager Westerholm stated that inasmuch as citizens were in the habit of using other streets, it had been recommended that traffic be diverted off Pershing Avenue until construction was finally completed and construction would not be involved with passing traffic. City Manager Westerholm stated that he would discuss this question with construction crews and report to members of Commission at a later date regarding same.

15. Adjournment

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


MAYOR - City of Lufkin, Texas

ATTEST:


City Secretary