

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY
COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS,
HELD ON DECEMBER 6, 1960, AT 7:30 P.M.

On this the sixth day of December, A.D. 1960, the City Commission of the City of Lufkin, Texas, convened in regular session in the regular meeting place in the said City, with the Following members thereof, to wit:

Jim Waters,	Mayor
E. Kurl Shirey,	Commissioner, Ward No.1
Beamon S. Cook,	Commissioner, Ward No.2
Bayo Hopper,	Commissioner, Ward No.3
A.G. Welch,	Commissioner, Ward No.4
Harold Schmitzer,	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 Reverend E.T. Howard, retired Baptist Minister, who left immediately after being thanked by Mayor Waters.
2. Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved.
3. The City Attorney read an ordinance for first reading on the following zone change applications:

"B" to "F" District, Lot 1, Block 79, located at the S.E. corner of Frank and Bonner Streets, requested by Mrs. E.W. Leach, Sr.

"B" to "C" District, Lot 3, Block 67, located at the corner of Persimmon and Bonner Streets, requested by Parkview Baptist Church.

"A" to "L" District 26.612 acres of land located off East Lufkin Avenue between Moore Chair Factory and Texas Electric Cooperatives, Inc., requested by the Chamber of Commerce.

After some discussion Commissioner Bayo Hopper made motion that the ordinance be passed on first reading, seconded by Commissioner Beamon S. Cook, and voted unanimously.

4. Commissioner Bayo Hopper felt that a thorough study should be made of our water and sewer rates to ascertain if they are in line with future usages by industrial plants; also if rates for water and sewer customers outside the city limits are adequate. The City Manager will make a study and report at a later date.
5. The City Attorney read an ordinance for second and final reading covering the following applications for zone changes from "A" to "C" District:

Lot 2, Block 2, Jordan -Marcus Addition, by Lester Greenville and Wife.

Lot 1, Block 2, Bonton Addition, by B.J. Ramsey and Wife.

Lot 2, Block 3, Robb Addition, by V.L. Benoit and Wife;
and

90' x 139.8' off South end of Lot No.3, Block 28, Denman Addition, by James R. Griggs and Wife.

Considerable discussion developed on these applications which covered Beauty Shops. It was finally decided that the changes would be allowed without changing the zone, by variance to ordinance. In this manner, suggested by the City Planning Commission, property would remain in Zone "A". If applicants moved the variance would be discontinued. Commissioner Beamon S. Cook made motion that the ordinance covering this variance be approved on first and second reading. Commissioner E.K. Shirey seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous.

6. Commissioner E. Kurl Shirey felt a thorough study should be made by the City Planning Commission on Zone Changes, covering special exceptions or variances to the Zone Ordinance covering Beauty Shops, signs for same, parking and related problems, and made a motion to this effect. Commissioner Bayo Hopper seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous.
7. The City Attorney read an ordinance covering control of vicious dogs. In the ensuing discussion it was decided that this ordinance should have further study before passage. Mayor Jim Waters instructed the City Attorney to study same in light of the discussion and to give recommendations for consideration at the next meeting.
8. The City Manager presented an ordinance covering Civil Defense which he recommended for approval in order that proper administration could be set up by the City. At the suggestion of several Commissioners the Mayor stated that action would be withheld until the next meeting to allow study.
9. The City Manager presented three monthly estimates by Contractors performing work in connection with our sewer improvement program, which had been approved by Mr. R.E.L. Johnson of Turner & Collie and certified to by the City Engineer, and requested approval of authority to pay:

(a) Contract No.1, Estimate No.11, Sewage Treatment Plant
Howard Pool Company \$3,023.97

Commissioner A.G. Welch made motion that same be approved for payment, seconded by Commissioner Bayo Hopper, and voted unanimously.

(b) Contract No.2, Estimate No.10, East Side Trunk Sewer Line
Howard Pool Company \$22,789.42

Commissioner E. Kurl Shirey made motion that same be approved for payment, seconded by Commissioner A.G. Welch, and voted unanimously.

(c) Contract No.3, Estimate No.8, West Side Trunk Sewer
and Lift Station.
Temple Associates \$5,582.24.

Commissioner Beamon S. Cook made motion that same be approved for payment, seconded by Commissioner Bayo Hopper, and voted unanimously.

10. The City Manager presented the monthly estimate from Freese, Nichols, Turner & Collie, Consulting Engineers, covering professional services in connection with our sewer improvement program and requested approval to pay, as it is in line with the contract. Commissioner Bayo Hopper made motion that the City Manager be authorized to pay, seconded by Commissioner E.K. Shirey, and voted unanimously.
11. The City Manager presented change order No.2 on Contract No.1, Sewage Treatment Plant from Howard Pool Company due to Sewer Pump repairs and labor, less credit allowance, the total being \$500.40, and recommended approval. Commissioner E. Kurl Shirey made motion that the change order be approved, seconded by Commissioner Bayo Hopper, and voted unanimously.
12. The City Manager presented a request from Howard Pool Company for time extension of one day on contract No.1, which is dated October 28, 1960, making the contract 270 calendar days over by 42 days, a total of 312 days. Commissioner E. Kurl Shirey made motion that this extension be granted, seconded by Commissioner Bayo Hopper, and voted unanimously.
13. Mr. R.E.L. Johnson appeared before the Commission with requests from Contractors for extension of time approval on Contracts No.2 and No.3. Considerable discussion developed between the Commission, Mr. R.E.L. Johnson, Contractor Representative Edelblut, (Howard Pool Company), Don Hackney and Dick Thompson, (Temple Associates). It was brought out in discussion that most of the delays had been due to bad weather.

The City Engineer called Mr. Johnson's attention to a telephone conversation he had with him regarding the first request for extension of time due to bad weather and asked Mr. Johnson for ruling. Mr. Johnson at that time stated that since the bids were made on a calendar day basis there would be no extension of time due to inclement weather. Mr. Johnson advised the City Engineer's remarks were correct, but he was overruled by Mr. Nat Turner.

It was the decision that no action would be taken on this matter until the contracts were completed and final check made.

14. An ordinance covering annexation of Woodcrest Addition came up for first reading, and the following citizens were present to endorse same:

Cooper Richards
J. B. Cauthen
Jimmy Clark

Dr. John C. Koch and Sister, Mrs. Dale Culwell, were present and Dr. Koch requested that no action be taken until his father, V.G. Koch, and brother-in-law, Dale Culwell, could be present. Mayor Waters stated that no action would be taken at this meeting but that he was calling a special meeting for Tuesday, December 13, 1960, to consider this matter.

15. The City Manager read a letter to the Commission dated December 6, 1960, wherein he recommended increases in salaries and wages for employees effective as of December 1, 1960, the larger portion being for the Fire and Police Departments, to bring salaries in line with those paid by other comparable cities. The City Manager stated that these increases were included in the budget but desired immediate approval so employees would receive them in their next pay check.

Considerable discussion developed and the Commission felt there might be some inequities in some cases, but felt the increases were due. Commissioner E. Kurl Shirey made motion that same be approved as requested by the City Manager. Motion seconded by Commissioner A.G. Welch, and voted unanimously.

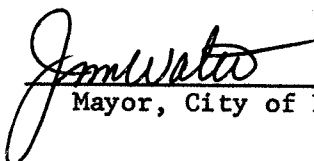
16. The City Manager advised that it has been the practice in the past to allow bonuses to city employees on the following basis:

Under 6 months employment	\$10.00
6 months to 1 year	" 10% of Month's Salary
1 year and over	" 25% " " "

He said allowance for bonus was included in the new budget to be approved and recommended the bonus be allowed this year.

Commissioner Beamon S. Cook moved that bonuses be allowed per the City Manager's recommendation. Motion seconded by Commissioner A.G. Welch, and voted unanimously.

17. Open items were gone over and discussed.
18. There being no further business for consideration, the meeting adjourned.


Mayor, City of Lufkin, Texas

ATTEST:


City Secretary, City of Lufkin, Texas