

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE
CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS, HELD ON JULY 6, 1961, AT 7:30 P.M.

On this the 6th day of July, 1961, the City Commission of the City of Lufkin, Texas, convened in regular session in regular meeting place in said City, with following members thereof, to-wit:

E. Kurl Shirey	Mayor Pro Tem
S. Harry Kerr	Commissioner, Ward No. 3
Beamon S. Cook	Commissioner, Ward No. 2
Harold Schmitzer	City Manager
Lynn Durham	City Secretary

being present, and the following absent:

Jim Waters	Mayor
A. G. Welch	Commissioner, Ward No. 4
William D. Perkins	City Attorney

1. Meeting opened with prayer by Captain Cecil Brown of Salvation Army. Mayor Pro Tem, E. Kurl Shirey, expressed appreciation to Captain Brown for his participation and invited him to stay for the entire meeting or to feel free to leave when he so desired.
2. Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved.
3. James P. Hunter, III, and Curtis W. Fenley, Jr., President and member of Lufkin Junior Chamber of Commerce appeared before the City Commission and presented letter which was read by City Manager requesting permission to use land at Teener Park by Clyde Beaty-Cole Bros. Circus which has been engaged for showing in Lufkin on September 18, 1961. Proceeds from this project would contribute to the many worthwhile activities sponsored by the Lufkin Jaycees, as well as providing excellent entertainment to the people of Lufkin. The Circus will provide their own electricity and public liability insurance and the Jaycees will clean the grounds before and after the show to insure that the premises will be in same condition as when put to use. City Manager recommended that this request be granted. Motion to this effect was made by Commissioner Beamon S. Cook, seconded by Commissioner S. Harry Kerr and the vote was unanimous.
4. Lee Butler, News Director of KTRE-TV and Radio, appeared before the City Commission and presented letter to City Manager requesting City Commission permission to install a police transmitter and receiver in their new Mobile News Unit that was recently purchased and placed in service. Mr. Butler stated that KTRE Radio was the Conelrad station for this area and they would be working closely with the Civil Defense organization in event of any emergency. Also the use of the police receiver would assist in keeping in touch with law enforcement agencies which is most important in their work. City Manager stated this matter had been discussed with Chief of Police Walter A. Billingsley and received his approval and recommended that City Commission grant the request. Commissioner S. Harry Kerr made motion that Forest Capital Broadcasting Company (KTRE TV and Radio) be granted permission to install a police transmitter and receiver in their Mobile News Unit, seconded by Beamon S. Cook, and the vote was unanimous.
5. City Manager Opened bids on crawler type front end loader and motor grader as follows:

Texas Tractor Company, Tyler, Texas

Allis-Chalmers

Crawler type front end loader	\$18,369.20
Less trade-in allowance old front end loader	<u>4,419.20</u>
	\$13,950.00

Motor grader	\$ 9,995.00
Less trade-in allowance old motor grader	<u>1,750.00</u>
	\$ 8,245.00

Total both units	\$22,195.00
If awarded both bids, discount 2%	<u>443.00</u>
	\$21,751.00

Delivery on front end loader, immediately;
delivery on motor grader, ten days.

Browning-Ferris Machinery Co., Houston, Texas

International

Crawler type front end loader	\$18,358.00
Less trade-in allowance old front end loader	<u>3,758.00</u>
	\$14,600.00

Galion

Motor Grader	\$ 9,494.00
Less trade-in allowance old motor grader	<u>2,394.00</u>
	\$ 7,100.00

Total both units	\$21,700.00
If awarded both bids, discount	<u>400.00</u>
	\$21,300.00

Delivery on front end loader, three days;
delivery on motor grader, twenty-one days.

Mustang Tractor & Equipment Co., Houston, Texas

Caterpillar

Crawler type front end loader	\$19,553.81
Less trade-in allowance old front end loader	<u>4,557.81</u>
	\$14,996.00

Did not bid on motor grader as did not have a competitive motor grader in this price range.

City Manager requested permission to delay decision on awarding bid until 2:00 P.M., Monday, July 10th, at which time he would like to have City Commission meet in special session for this purpose. This would give him time to study bids and make recommendation. Commissioner Beamon S. Cook made motion that City Manager's request be granted. Commissioner S. Harry Kerr seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

6. Commissioner Beamon S. Cook made motion that notice of public hearing in meeting of August 1st be published in newspaper covering following zone changes:

From "B" to "F" District covering property located at 1608 Barto Drive by Morris Smith and wife; and

From "B" to "F" District covering property located at SW corner of South Bynum and Pershing by Walter Harris and wife.

Motion seconded by Commissioner S. Harry Kerr and vote was unanimous.

7. City Manager presented Estimate No. 1, Contract No. 4, West Side Trunk Sewer & Lift Station, from Wilks, Dake & Steed in the amount of \$13,887.58. Stated estimate had been approved by Mr. R. E. L. Johnson of Freese, Nichols, Turner & Collie, & checked by City Engineer and he recommended approval to pay. Commissioner S. Harry Kerr made motion that City Manager be granted authority to pay estimate as requested, seconded by Beamon S. Cook, and vote was unanimous.

8. City Manager read letter from Henry Rogers, attorney and member of City Planning Commission, addressed to him and City Attorney under subject of drainage easements covering ditches and creeks in proposed new subdivisions, requesting that City set policy regarding such easements in order that approval of plats by City Planning Commission could be expedited. City Manager had previously furnished copy of this letter to members of City Commission for their study.
9. Mayor Pro Tem E. Kurl Shirey read letter from Mayor Waters addressed to City Commission requesting that Ordinance creating the City Planning Commission be amended in order to allow City Planning Commission to name their own Chairman and Vice-Chairman instead of being appointed by City Commission. Commissioner Beamon S. Cook made motion that ordinance be amended to allow City Planning Commission to appoint or name their own Chairman and Vice-Chairman. Motion seconded by Commissioner S. Harry Kerr and vote was unanimous.
10. Open items were gone over and discussed. In connection with item covering claim of Joe Stephano for reimbursement of portion of tapping fees paid to City for sewer connections, City Manager presented easement covering sewer line signed by Mr. Stephano which will be discussed at next meeting when all interested parties will be present.
11. Commissioner S. Harry Kerr suggested that City Commission give serious study to converting portion of City property on South Timberland Drive into Park Area. Stated this was a very beautiful spot and additional park area is badly needed. Considerable discussion developed and those present were very much in accord with the idea. City Manager to contact State Highway Department regarding development of roadside park, etc.
12. Commissioner S. Harry Kerr suggested some thought be given to paving of Harrel Street across S.P.R.R. from Junior High School and also to providing walkway over railroad for use by children in this area going to and from school. Item discussed but will require further thought and discussion
13. No further business being for consideration, the meeting adjourned at 8:55 P.M.



Mayor Pro Tem - City of Lufkin, Texas

ATTEST:



City Secretary - City of Lufkin, Texas