

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS, HELD ON THE 1st DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1966, AT 7:30 P.M.

On the 1st day of February, 1966, 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:

Jim Waters	Mayor
William F. Prince	Commissioner, Ward No. 1
Dayle V. Smith	Commissioner, Ward No. 2
Byron McNeil	Commissioner, Ward No. 3
H. E. Rowin	Commissioner, Ward No. 4
Reagan Parker	City Manager
Lynn Durham	City Secretary
David Walker	City Attorney

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

1. Meeting opened with prayer by Major Fred J. Cherb, of the Salvation Army. Mayor thanked Major Cherb for his participation and invited him to remain for the entire meeting or to feel free to leave when he so desired.
2. Minutes of regular meeting dated January 18, 1966 and special meeting dated January 20, 1966, were read and approved as written.
3. Mayor welcomed Mrs. William F. Prince and a group of Girl Scouts who were in attendance at the meeting to observe proceedings and stated it was an honor to have them as visitors. Each Girl Scout stood up and introduced herself.
4. Mayor opened and City Manager read following bids on Garbage Trucks for which City had advertised in local newspaper.

Angelina Chevrolet-Cadillac Co.
Lufkin, Texas

1 - 1966 Truck	\$3,375.99
2 - 1966 Trucks	\$6,751.98

Angelina Truck & Tractor Co.
Lufkin, Texas

1 - 1966 Truck	\$3,424.13
2 - 1966 Trucks	\$6,848.26

Tipton-Billingsley Ford Motor Co.
Lufkin, Texas

2 - 1966 Trucks	\$7,744.00
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Manager recommended bid be awarded Angelina Chevrolet-Cadillac Company, provided bid met all specifications as advertised.

Commissioner Byron McNeil made motion that City Manager's recommendation be followed and purchase two trucks from Angelina Chevrolet-Cadillac Company for \$6,751.98, provided specifications are met. Motion was seconded by Commissioner William F. Prince and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

City Manager stated that two garbage bodies now in use would have to be fitted to the new trucks and estimated the cost to be approximately \$3,000.00.

- 4a. City Manager read letter from a citizen of Houston, Texas, that was addressed to Lufkin Chamber of Commerce and passed

on to him from Manager of Chamber of Commerce, commending the City Commission for their recent action on sparing an oak tree on Shepherd Street by narrowing the width of the pavement from 40 ft. to 37 ft. The letter stated "Your City will be blessed by having this type of Commissioners at the helm."

5. City Manager read letter in its entirety from Mr. John B. Powers to Mayor Jim Waters dated January 17, 1966, commenting on a recent survey of our sewer treatment plant which was made by Mr. Dick Whittington, Engineer for the Texas State Department of Health, wherein he recommended:

- (1) That the Sewer Treatment Plant be expanded to bring about treatment to acceptable limits.

- (2) The City to continue to improve laboratory control until same is in conformance with recommendations of State Sanitary Engineers, and

- (3) The City to have its flow recorder calibrated so it will accurately indicate the flow being received at the plant.

City Manager stated (a) that since Mr. Whittington made the inspection of the sewer plant a line has been tied into the plant which was not tied in when he was here; (b) That Water & Sewer Superintendent has ordered and received 25 spray nozzles, the use of which will increase aeration of the effluent; (c) that he had discussed with one of the local Poultry Plant Managers our problem and had requested a recommendation from him on the pretreating of sewage before going into our system; and (d) that there has been some improvement since Mr. Whittington was here and would like for him to return again for another inspection since our disposal plant is now functioning as it was designed.

6. City Manager read letter from Sgt. James A. Holley of the local Air Force Recruiting Office dated January 21, 1966, requesting that two parking meters at the corner of Lufkin Avenue and Third Street be removed and space be given to the Air Force and sign reading "U. S. Air Force" be placed on top of the meter poles.

No action was taken by the City Commission since discussion developed that the same reservations would have to be granted other similar governmental agencies. It was brought out that such agencies are now given free parking at any meter.

7. City Manager read letter from Mr. J. M. York, Local District Engineer, of the Texas Highway Department to which he attached copies of Minute Order No. 56990 dated January 19, 1966. It modifies Minute Order No. 55441 in connection with the improvements of State Highway 94 in the City of Lufkin along Frank and Dozier Avenues; the terms of which were accepted by the City Commission by Resolution dated February 2, 1965.

Mr. York requested the City Commission to approve Resolution accepting provisions of Minute Order No. 56990 and return two copies to his office.

Commissioner Dayle V. Smith made motion that Resolution be approved, seconded by Commissioner Byron McNeil and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

8. City Manager read letter from Mr. A. W. Cockrell, Jr., Local Senior Resident Engineer of Texas Highway Department regarding

State-City agreements on right-of-ways on Loop 287 and State Highway 94 projects which amounted to five separate agreements and five copies of Resolution for each project to be approved by the City Commission.

City Manager went into detail on the proposed agreements and the amount of money required to handle the projects. City Manager recommended that these entire projects be given further study before any action be taken by the City Commission.

9. City Manager advised the City Commission that time was approaching when action should be taken on amending present paving ordinance.

City Engineer stated that a new subdivision is now being developed with water and sewer lines already installed.

Mayor stated would call an informal meeting of City Commission members with Developers and Builders at 7:30 P.M., February 7, 1966, in City Hall to discuss this matter and would invite those Developers interested in paving to be present at this informal meeting.

10. City Manager read letter from Major Fred J. Cherb of the local Salvation Army requesting permission of the City Commission to allow their caretaker to live in a room in the City's Log Cabin building which is now in use by the Salvation Army for storage purposes.

This request was discussed in some detail and Commissioner Byron McNeil made motion that Major Cherb's request be granted with the City having the option of giving 30 days notice to vacate when and if such space would be required by City. Motion was seconded by Commissioner H. E. Rowin and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

11. City Manager stated that Corporation Court Judge, Jack Dies, had requested that he be allowed to appear before the City Commission to report on activities in the Corporation Court. City Manager stated that since the Corporation Court Judge is one of the two Department Heads whose hiring must be approved by the City Commission, he thought Judge Dies should be granted this request.

Judge Dies gave a comprehensive report of work done in the Corporation Court by himself and the two clerks as well as the amount of additional work that has been recently added due to the new Criminal Code of procedure. He also stated that his two clerks were underpaid due to the amount of work and responsibility they have and that he was also underpaid.

Commissioner Dayle V. Smith stated that he did not think the City Commission could take any action since the present Budget was approved and so much was allotted for each Department. Other City Commission members were in entire agreement with this thought and no action was taken; however, the City Manager stated that this request as well as all others would be considered when the next Budget is prepared.

12. Open items were gone over and status developed.

- a. The City Manager called attention to the item covering warning signal lights at railroad crossing on Highway 94. He stated he had been in contact with officials of the railroad involved and was advised that the estimated cost of such warning lights would amount to \$7,000.00 and these officials request that the City pay 10% of such cost.

City Manager further stated that he had been in contact with local State Highway Officials who stated that the railroad's share of cost in this signal light was 10% and the State Highway Department's share 90%.

Commissioner Dayle V. Smith made motion that the City pay no part of the cost for this signal light and that the railroad officials be so advised. Motion was seconded by Commissioner William F. Prince and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

- b. The item of revising ordinances covering cost of tap fees, etc., was discussed and Commissioner Dayle V. Smith made motion that the City Manager's recommendation in this regard be accepted and ordinances relating to tap fees, water and sewer and garbage charges on apartments be accepted and ordinances amended accordingly and approved on first reading at this meeting. Commissioner Byron McNeil seconded the motion and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.
13. Miss Hyacinth Odom, who was not on the Agenda, appeared before the City Commission and was granted a hearing regarding her property at Loop 287 and Old Union Road which was zoned LB District when new zoning ordinance and zoning map were approved on June 18, 1963. She stated Mr. William D. Perkins, Attorney, was supposed to be present at this meeting to bring her case before the City Commission but since he was not in attendance she requested action by the City Commission in zoning all her property at this location which was in accordance with her understanding that it had been re-zoned.

Miss Odom was advised by the City Attorney that Mr. Perkins was to secure letters from members of the previous City Planning and Zoning Commission who were also of the opinion that all of Miss Odom's property had been re-zoned and it was the City Attorney's recommendation that before any action could be taken that Mr. Perkins present these letters and he would contact Mr. Perkins regarding this matter in order that action might be taken at next meeting.

14. Mayor read details on election returns covering Charter Election held this date which were as follows:

For Adoption of New Charter 590 votes

Against Adoption of New Charter 216 votes

Commissioner Dayle V. Smith made motion that the above motion be recorded as official on the Charter Election and that same be accepted as final. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Byron McNeil and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

15. City Attorney presented Resolution giving consent to Fuller Springs Water Supply District to obtaining of sewer powers of political subdivision within City extraterritorial jurisdiction. City Attorney stated that Resolution specifically stated "that prior to the date or time said District shall construct any of its sanitary sewer facilities whatever, the plans and specifications therefor shall be submitted to the City of Lufkin, Texas, for its review and approval."

Commissioner Byron McNeil made motion that Mayor be authorized to sign Resolution granting Fuller Springs Water District permission obtaining said sewer system powers from Texas Water Rights Commission, subject to City approval before such construction of facilities are started. Motion seconded by Commissioner H. E. Rowin and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

16. There being no further business for consideration meeting was adjourned at 9:30 P.M.

Jim Waters
Mayor - City of Lufkin, Texas

ATTEST:

Lynn Orlean
City Secretary - City of Lufkin, Texas