

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF
LUFKIN, TEXAS, HELD ON THE 2ND DAY OF JANUARY, 1990, AT 5:00 P.M.

On the 2nd day of January, 1990, the City Commission of the City of Lufkin, Texas, convened in regular meeting in the Council Chambers of City Hall with the following members thereof, to wit:

Louis A. Bronaugh	Mayor
Percy Simond, Jr.	Commissioner, Ward No. 1
Don Boyd	Commissioner, Ward No. 2
Danny Roper	Commissioner, Ward No. 3
Bob Bowman	Commissioner, Ward No. 4
Jack Gorden	Commissioner, Ward No. 5
Paul Mayberry	Commissioner, Ward No. 6
Harvey Westerholm	City Manager
Brian Boudreaux	Asst. City Manager
Robert Flournoy	City Attorney
Ron Wesch	Public Works Director
Atha Stokes	City Secretary

being present, when the following business was transacted.

1. Meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. Tim Diebel, Minister, First Christian Church.

2. Mayor Bronaugh welcomed visitors present.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of regular meeting of December 19, 1989 were approved on a motion by Commissioner Bob Bowman and seconded by Commissioner Don Boyd. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

4. PUBLIC HEARING - ANNEXATION - HOMER/ALTO ROAD

Mayor Bronaugh opened Public Hearing to consider annexation and permanent zoning of property on Homer-Alto Road west of Loop 287. Mayor Bronaugh stated that the area to be annexed was approximately 31-32 acres and included an industrial park.

There was no opposition present.

Mayor Bronaugh closed Public Hearing.

5. ORDINANCE - APPROVED - FIRST READING - DESIGNATION OF FIRE LANES

Mayor Bronaugh stated that the next item for consideration was First Reading of an Ordinance designating fire lanes at various shopping centers and malls throughout the City.

Fire Marshal Clayton Havard stated that he had changed Section Two (b) to read "An area designated as such by the Fire Chief or his authorized representative in concurrence with property owners and/or managers."

Fire Marshal Havard stated that he had contacted owners and managers of different properties and most of them requested that they have some input into the designation of the fire lanes.

In response to question by Commissioner Simond, Mayor Bronaugh stated that the Ordinance will be enforced by the Fire Department, Police Department and COPPS.

City Manager Westerholm stated that mall owners have requested this Ordinance so that tickets can be issued to violators.

Commissioner Gorden requested that Section One (a) be rewritten replacing the word "stand".

Commissioner Bowman requested that a definition of a "Fire Lane" be added in the Ordinance.

Motion was made by Commissioner Don Boyd and seconded by Commissioner Bob Bowman that Ordinance be approved on First Reading with changes being made to Section One (a) and Section Two (b) and to include the definition of a fire lane. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

6. ORDINANCE - APPROVED - SECOND READING - LIQUID WASTE HAULERS - SEWER TREATMENT PLANT FEES

Mayor Bronaugh stated that the next item for consideration was Second Reading of an Ordinance regulating liquid waste haulers and setting fees at Sewer Treatment Plant.

Motion was made by Commissioner Jack Gorden and seconded by Commissioner Bob Bowman that Ordinance be approved on Second and Final Reading as presented. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

7. ORDINANCE - APPROVED - FIRST READING - ZONE CHANGE - JOSEFINA RODRIGUEZ - 300-400 BLOCK OF BERRY ROAD - RL TO RS

Mayor Bronaugh stated that the next item for consideration was First Reading of an Ordinance for Zone Change request by Josefina Rodriguez covering property located at the 300-400 block of Berry Road from Residential Large to Residential Small.

Mayor Bronaugh stated that Mrs. Rodriguez has subdivided her property to accommodate replacing a small mobile home with a double wide mobile home.

There was no opposition present.

Motion was made by Commissioner Don Boyd and seconded by Commissioner Bob Bowman that Ordinance be approved on First Reading as presented. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

8. TAX EXEMPT STATUS - TABLED - NATIONAL REGISTER HISTORICAL PROPERTY - AGNES SMITH

Mayor Bronaugh stated that the next item for consideration was granting tax exempt status on National Register Historical property located at 503 Raguet.

City Manager Westerholm stated that he had received a letter from Mrs. Agnes Smith who was seeking a tax relief to maintain her home at 503 Raguet Street, which has recently been entered in the National Register of Historical Places.

Mrs. Smith stated that she had recently purchased the medallion marker for the house and it had been installed by the City.

Mayor Bronaugh suggested that Mrs. Smith meet with the City Attorney to work out the details to qualify for a tax exempt status and that this item be rescheduled for discussion at next meeting.

9. TAX ABATEMENT - APPROVED - GENCO INDUSTRIES, INC.

Mayor Bronaugh stated that the next item for consideration was request for Tax Abatement by Genco Industries, Inc. located at the corner of North Raguet and Austin Street.

City Manager Westerholm stated that Genco's property is located in the new Enterprise Zone and can qualify for tax abatement based on job retention and the fact that they have decided to rebuild and stay in Lufkin. City Manager Westerholm stated that under the Enterprise Zone designation all building permit fees and City sales tax are waived. The total cost of reconstruction will be approximately \$72,000.

Motion was made by Commissioner Percy Simond and seconded by Commissioner Bob Bowman that Tax Abatement Agreement be approved for Genco Industries, Inc. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

10. AUDIT REPORT - APPROVED - OCTOBER 1, 1988 - SEPTEMBER 30, 1989

Mayor Bronaugh stated that the next item for consideration was the audit report for October 1, 1988 - September 30, 1989.

Richard Rudel of Alexander, Langford and Hiers stated that the study and evaluation of the City's financial condition disclosed no material weaknesses. Mr. Rudel stated that areas in which internal control could be strengthened were: Petty Cash, Bill and Collection Procedures, Taxes Receivable, Curb and Gutter and Other Receivables, Garage and Other Supplies Inventories, Fixed Assets, Long-Term Debt and Purchasing Procedures. Mr. Rudel stated that recommendations for strengthening these areas had been outlined in the letter to City Manager Westerholm.

Commissioner Gorden requested that the City Manager address the recommendations made by the auditors in a letter to the City Commission and compare this year's audit report with last year's report.

Commissioner Simond stated that he would like a report on how much petty cash goes through the accounts during the year.

Motion was made by Commissioner Percy Simond and seconded by Commissioner Bob Bowman that the audit report by Alexander, Langford and Heirs be accepted as presented. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

11. CABLECOM'S NEW POLICY - DISCUSSED

Mayor Bronaugh stated that Cablecom had made some changes to their policies and equipment that has created some concern by citizens and that is why this item was placed on the agenda.

Wayne Neal, Cablecom Manager, stated that he was sorry for the confusion, and that his original intentions were to change out the boxes on a one-on-one basis by contacting contacting subscribers and explaining how the new system works. Mr. Neal stated that the media had helped to create the confusion.

Mr. Neal stated that subscribers will have to have the new box to be able to unscramble the Galaxy Channel.

Mr. Neal stated that Cablecom plans to add the Weather Channel, Arts and Entertainment, Turner Network, a Financial News station and CNBC to current programming.

Mr. Neal answered questions as submitted by the Commissioner's and several people from the audience.

Commissioner Bob Bowman stated that Mr. Neal needed to do a better job of communicating with Cablecom subscribers and suggested that a large ad be placed in the newspaper advising subscribers of the upcoming changes in the system.

Mr. Neal stated that he will be using Channel 10 to advise subscribers of the changes in the system.

12. BID - APPROVED - ONE-TON PICKUP - SEWER DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT - ANGELINA AUTOPLEX

Mayor Bronaugh stated that the next item for consideration was bid on a one-ton pickup with dual axle and utility body to be used in the Sewer Distribution Department.

City Manager Westerholm stated that two bids had been received but one had been withdrawn by the dealer because it did not meet specifications.

City Manager Westerholm stated that David Cochran, Purchasing Agent, was recommending the bid of Angelina Autoplex in the amount of \$16,649.87, which is within the budgeted amount of \$20,000.

Motion was made by Commissioner Percy Simond and seconded by Commissioner Don Boyd that bid of Angelina Autoplex in the amount of \$16,649.87 be accepted as presented. A unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

13. There being no further business for consideration, meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.


Louis A. Bronaugh, Mayor

ATTEST:


Atha Stokes, City Secretary