

**Vision 2020 Infrastructure Meeting Notes
August 19, 2008**

The Infrastructure Committee of Vision 2020 met on August 19, 2008, at 8:00 a.m. in the Lufkin/Angelina Chamber of Commerce Community Room. Present were Susie Cardwell, David Collmorgen, James Flournoy, Don Hannabas, Tony Moline, Barbara Thompson, James Flournoy, Barbara Thompson, Kenneth Williams, and Keith Wright, with Bob Brown presiding.

Bob Brown opened the meeting at 8:05 a.m. with an introduction of himself as the new Foundation Chair for Infrastructure.

City of Lufkin (*Paul Parker*):

Capital Improvement Plan: Paul explained that this program is not exactly as the newspaper had stated, but the maximum amount of money that could be raised by the City Council was \$30 million. The Plan is a way of prioritizing projects for future work and will change from year to year, based on economics and priorities.

Construction (*Keith Wright*):

Whitehouse: Should be finished and open in September.

Crown Colony: The water project is almost finished.

Lotus Lane: Almost finished.

Zoo: Is well underway and the Administrative and educational building should be complete by the end of November.

Transportation and Utilities (*David Collmorgen*):

North 59: this has been moved to the 2010 fiscal year. This will do away with the clover leaf at the east loop and 59 (Nacogdoches Highway). It will be done in three stages.

Daniel McCall: They will hang beams at Daniel McCall on September 5th. They want to have the frontage roads open by Thanksgiving.

Parks and Recreation (*Don Hanabas*):

Work continues on Kit McConnico and Morris Frank Park and walking trail by the Zoo.

Downtown (Barbara Thompson):

Downtown ordinance: They are working on the downtown ordinances to help property owners better keep up and maintain their properties.

Pines Theater: \$500,000 has been allocated by the City of Lufkin to fix the marquis, replace the roof and they will apply for grants for more work to be done.

New Business: Howard's Tea Room is open and very busy.
The Transit Station is very busy now.

Angelina Hotel: It is still privately owned and still renting rooms.

City of Diboll (Kenneth Williams):

Library: \$2.5 million project scheduled for completion in September or October.

Deer Trace: Has lots available on the golf course.

Old Stuckey's: Will be torn down.

Parks: (James Flournoy) The amphitheater should be completed by Diboll Day (October 4th). They are also trying to create a hike and bike trail in Diboll. Ellen Temple is helping with this.

Bob Brown thanked Kenneth Williams for all his hard work and contributions he has made to Diboll during his stay as City Manager. Kenneth has accepted the position of City Manger in Buda and will be moving soon.

Angelina Beautiful/Clean (Tony Moline):

59 South: They have a plan for the plants that everyone has agreed upon.

Other Projects (James Flournoy and Keith Wright)

James reported that they are trying to regionalize sewer and water where ever possible.

I-69 – Zachary was awarded the project and Klotz is working with them.

Huntington sidewalk project – 2 miles of sidewalk is being added in Huntington.

94 Bridge - (Keith Wright) There will be river access at the 94 bridge in January 2009 which will make it possible to float on the river from 103 to 94. There will also be 5 bridges south of 94.

Next Meeting: October 21st at 8:00 a.m. at the Chamber Community Room

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 a.m.