

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION
OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS, HELD 7th DAY OF JULY,
1959, at 7:30 P. M.

On this the 7th day of July, A. D., 1959,
the City Commission of the City of Lufkin, Texas, convened in
regular session, in the regular meeting place in said
City, with the following members thereof, towit:

Jim Waters, Mayor
E. Kurl Shirey, Commissioner, Ward No. 1
_____, Commissioner, Ward No. 2
Bayo Hopper, Commissioner, Ward No. 3
H. E. Rowin, Commissioner, Ward No. 4
Harold Schmitzer, City Manager
Lynn Durham, City Secretary
Dan Brazil, City Attorney

being present, and the following absent: W. C. Royle

_____, constituting a quorum when
the following business was transacted:

1. Meeting opened with Prayer by Dr. Arthur DeLoach, Pastor of the First Baptist Church. Mayor Jim Waters expressed the appreciation of the Commission for his presence and giving the invocation, and invited him to stay for the full proceedings or to feel free to leave when he desired.
2. Minutes of regular meeting of June 16 and special meeting of June 20 were read and approved.
3. City Manager recommended that City Commission approve purchasing 750 Gallon Pump Fire Truck at \$18,690.00 and 75' Aerial Fire Truck at \$36,850.00 from American-LaFrance Corporation per their bid opened in meeting of June 16, 1959. Stated their price was \$3,146.65 lower than bid submitted by Seagrave Corporation and \$2,721.65 lower than Seagrave Corporation quantity discount if awarded bid for both units. Commissioner H. E. Rowin made motion, seconded by Commissioner E. Kurl Shirey, that American-LaFrance Corporation bid be accepted and vote was unanimous.
4. Commissioner H.E. Rowin moved that application for zone change from "A" to "F" District by Simon Purvis, covering tract of land on Highway 94, be ordered published for hearing in meeting of August 4th. Commissioner Bayo Hopper seconded motion and unanimous vote followed.
5. Commissioner E. Kurl Shirey moved that zone change application submitted by Anna Deck, covering property on South Bynum, from "A" to "D" District be authorized for publication for hearing in meeting of August 4th. Commissioner Bayo Hopper seconded motion and ensuing vote was unanimous.

6. Commissioner H.E. Rowin made motion that Ordinance, covering zone change from "A" to "F" District, Lot 3, Block 1, Largent Addition, as previously submitted in application of Lee Burnett be approved on first reading. Commissioner E. Kurl Shirey seconded motion and vote was unanimous.
7. Commissioner Bayo Hopper made motion that Ordinance closing hearing and levying assessments for part of costs of improving portions of Arena Street, California Boulevard, Church Street, Cimarron Street, Cordelia Street, Eleanor Street, Ralph Avenue, Texas Boulevard, Tulane Drive, Weiner Street, and York Drive, be passed on second and final reading. Commissioner E. Kurl Shirey seconded the motion and vote was unanimous.
8. City Manager stated that he has been in consultation with Mr. and Mrs. A.B. Youngblood again on securing land for our enlarged sewer treatment plant and 15 foot permanent easement for our trunk sewer line and they have agreed to trade 4.42 acres of land we need for 15 acres City owns out of J.A. Bonton League and six sewer connections for their family and recommended we make this trade. Commissioner Bayo Hopper made motion that Manager's recommendation be followed and that he be instructed to proceed accordingly. Commissioner E. Kurl Shirey seconded motion and same carried unanimously.
9. City Manager read letter from Mr. D. F. Smallhorst of State of Texas Department of Health advising that City of Lufkin's application for Federal Grant under Section 6 of Public Law 660, was among applications that had been processed and given high priority rating but grant would not be made until final approval and funds made available.
10. City Manager advised that Negro Chamber of Commerce leaders had called on him to request assistance for balance of year for their recreational program. Stated they did not participate in the \$1,000.00 donation City made this fiscal year to YMCA. Further stated they were in dire need of \$500.00 in order to continue their Program since they had exhausted all sources for donations. City Manager felt the request was worthy of City Commission consideration and recommended donation be made. Said this item would be included in next budget.

Commissioner Bayo Hopper made motion that City make donation as recommended by Manager, motion seconded by Commissioner H.E. Rowin, and vote was unanimous.

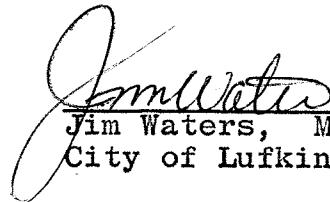
11. City Manager advised that Southern Pacific Railroad, through its Superintendent, Mr. S. E. Tanner, has offered to sell to City, the 48' x 250' tract of land, located on Angelina Street at Cotton Square, and buildings located thereon, for \$20,400.00, and strongly recommended that offer be accepted at once even if we have to borrow money from bank until January 1st. After considerable discussion, covering correspondence on this subject for past two and one-half years, Commissioner Bayo Hopper made motion that City Manager be authorized to accept this offer and to proceed with completion of transaction. Commissioner E. Kurl Shirey seconded motion and vote was unanimous.
12. City Manager read letter from Mr. Clyde W. Fiddes, General Counsel for St. Louis Southwestern Railroad Company, Tyler, Texas, requesting City to give consideration to closing and abandoning a portion of Persimmon and Grove Streets along with intervening alley and a section of Herndon Street as a local industry would like to occupy the south portion of these tracts for expansion purpose that would be to advantage of both the City and the Railroad Co. City Manager said did not have any recommendation and was a matter for study by the City Planning Commission, City Commission and himself before action could be taken on request.

13. Open Items were gone over and discussed.
14. Mayor Jim Waters welcomed Messrs. W. F. Collins, Walter Atwell, Cecil W. Simpson, E. Gordon Horn and William D. Perkins, who were previously appointed members of City Planning Commission. He congratulated them on being selected. They were given oath of office by City Attorney. Mayor Waters stated Ordinance sets out that Chairman and Vice Chairman were to be appointed by City Commission. At this point Mr. Cecil W. Simpson and Mr. E. Gordon Horn were appointed Chairman and Vice Chairman, respectively, by the City Commission. Numbers were then placed in hat (from 1 to 5 years) and drawn by each member of Planning Commission, with the following results for tenure of office:

E. Gordon Horn	1 year
W. F. Collins	2 years
Walter Atwell	3 years
William D. Perkins	4 years
Cecil W. Simpson	5 years

Mayor Jim Waters then read a list of duties expected of the City Planning Commission and pledged cooperation from City Commission as well as City Administrative Officials for the betterment of the City of Lufkin.

15. There being no further business for consideration, the meeting adjourned.



Jim Waters
Jim Waters, Mayor
City of Lufkin, Texas

ATTEST:



Lynn Durham
Lynn Durham, City Secretary
City of Lufkin, Texas