

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY
COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS,
HELD ON APRIL 19, 1960, at 7:30 P.M.

On this the nineteenth day of April, A.D., 1960, 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, to wit:

Jim Waters,	Mayor
E. Kurl Shirey,	Commissioner, Ward No.1
Beamon S. Cook,	Commissioner, Ward No.2
Bayo Hopper,	Commissioner, Ward No.3
A. G. Welch,	Commissioner, Ward No.4
Harold Schmitzer,	City Manager
Lynn Durham,	City Secretary
William Drew Perkins,	City Attorney

being present, and the following absent: None
constituting a quorum when the following business was transacted:

1. Meeting opened with prayer by Rev. Ken Sparks, Pastor of First Nazarene Church. Mayor Waters expressed the appreciation of the City Commission to Rev. Sparks for his presence and participation and invited him to remain for the entire meeting or feel free to leave when he desired.
2. Mayor Waters welcomed the new members of the City Commission, Messrs. Beamon S. (Buster) Cook and A. G. Welch, who were elected on April 5, 1960, representing Ward No.2 and Ward No.4 respectively, and pledged cooperation and assistance to the new members.
3. Commissioner Bayo Hopper made a motion that the ordinance annexing the property of Dr. Roy D. Saunders and Wife, as requested by them in petition, be passed on second and final reading. Commissioner E. Kurl Shirey seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous.
4. Commissioner E. Kurl Shirey made a motion that the ordinance changing zone from "A" to "F" District, covering property on South Bynum, as requested in the application of R.G. Mitchell and Wife, be passed on second and final reading. Commissioner Bayo Hopper seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous.
5. Commissioner E. Kurl Shirey made a motion that the following zone change applications be ordered published for hearing in regular meeting of May 17th, 1960, same having been approved by the Zoning Board in meeting of April 12, 1960:

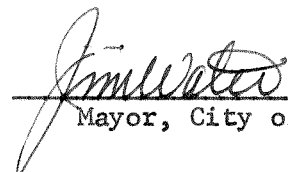
"B" to "F" District, Lot 7, Block 32, located at Bremond and Third,
as requested by Robert V. Hutson; and

"B" to "F" District, South one-half of Lots 1 and 2, Block 82,
located at 104-106 North Raguet, as requested by John S. Redditt
and Mrs. I.D. Fairchild.

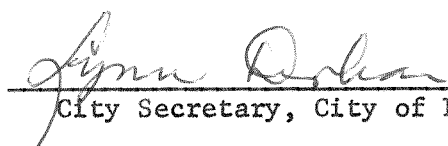
Commissioner Bayo Hopper seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous.

6. The City Manager stated that previous bids received on demolishing the old Southern Pacific Railroad building did not materialize, but that a bid had been received from Edward R. Rathgeber of 1217 West Mary, Austin, Texas, offering to pay the City \$5.00 for the building and agreeing to furnish Workmen's Compensation, as required by law, to carry public liability insurance and to furnish the City with a protection policy in the amount of \$100,000.00, and to furnish a performance bond. He would complete the work within 60 days after starting and would begin the work within 30 days after being awarded the contract. The City Manager said the contract had been drawn up and the City Attorney had checked and noted several small revisions that should be made before execution. Commissioner Bayo Hopper moved that the Mayor be authorized to execute the contract on the part of the City after it has been revised to the satisfaction of the City Manager and the City Attorney. Commissioner E. Kurl Shirey seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous.
7. The City Manager presented the estimate of Freese, Nichols, Turner & Collie for the month of March, for professional services in connection with the sewer improvement program, in the amount of \$1,823.52, and requested authorization for payment, as same had been checked and found to be in order. Commissioner E. Kurl Shirey moved that the Commission authorize payment of this estimate, seconded by Commissioner Bayo Hopper, and voted unanimously.

8. The City Manager read a letter from Rees W. Willard, Planning Engineer, resigning from employment with the City effective April 30, 1960, due to having been advised to do so by Doctors. The City Manager stated Mr. Willard had done a wonderful job for the City and that he would be hard to replace. However, under the circumstances, the City Manager recommended that Mr. Willard's resignation be accepted with sincere regret and with the hope that his health will improve. Commissioner Bayo Hopper made a motion that the City Manager's recommendation be followed. Commissioner E. Kurl Shirey seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous.
9. The City Manager called attention to the fact that the State Highway Department was having an open hearing on April 26th regarding designating business routes of U.S. Highway 69 and State Highway 103 through the City. He stated that the City Officials and others from Lufkin would be heard at 11:00 A.M. on this date. Mayor Waters stated that he would take his car, and invited the members of the Commission to go if possible. The City Manager stated that he would be in touch with all concerned who may go in order that proper arrangements could be made for conveyance.
10. The City Manager called attention to the public hearing being held in Jacksonville on April 26th for the purpose of compiling information on present and future requirements of the Upper Neches and Angelina River Area by the U.S. Study Commission of Texas. He said President John Smith of the Chamber of Commerce had called to see if any of the City Officials would be able to attend. The City Manager stated that the City Attorney was going to attend this hearing and that he had so advised the Chamber of Commerce.
11. The City Manager stated that since the Y.M.C.A. was disbanding here in the City of Lufkin Parks Superintendent Paul McWilliams had worked out and submitted a program for recreational activities that will partially fill the vacuum caused by the disbandment of the Y.M.C.A. However, this program is estimated to cost \$1,422.00 and not in the budget, and would require special approval. The City Manager recommended that the City participate in this program and that the additional appropriation be authorized. Commissioner Bayo Hopper made a motion that the City Manager's recommendation be approved but that we should be certain that there will be no overlapping of activities, such as swimming, which is also sponsored by the Red Cross. Commissioner E. Kurl Shirey seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous.
12. The City Manager's progress report was gone over and discussed in detail.
13. Open items were gone over and discussed.
14. The appointment of a member to the City Planning Commission to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of William Drew Perkins, to become City Attorney, was discussed. It was brought out that Curtis W. Fenley, Jr., Henry Rogers and Benton Musslewhite, local Attorneys, were interested in the appointment. However, it was the general feeling of the Commission that action be withheld until the next meeting so further consultation and study could be given the matter. A motion to this effect was made by Commissioner A.G. Welch, seconded by Commissioner E. Kurl Shirey, and voted unanimously.
15. Commissioner Bayo Hopper moved that payment of invoices for the month be authorized, seconded by Commissioner E. Kurl Shirey and voted unanimously.
16. Commissioner Bayo Hopper nominated Commissioner E. Kurl Shirey as Mayor pro tem to replace Commissioner W.C. Royle whose term of office as City Commissioner expired April 5, 1960. Commissioner Beamon S. Cook seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous.
17. There being no further business for consideration, the meeting adjourned.


Mayor, City of Lufkin, Texas

ATTEST:


City Secretary, City of Lufkin, Texas