

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION
OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS, HELD 21st day of July,
1959, at 7:30 P. M.

On this the 21st 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:

being present, and the following absent:

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

1. Meeting opened with Prayer by Rev. Dan Daughtry, Pastor of the Parkview Baptist Church. Mayor Jim Waters expressed the appreciation of the Commission for his presence and giving the invocation, and invited him to stay for entire meeting or to feel free to leave when he desired.
2. Minutes of the previous meeting, held on July 7, 1959, were read and approved.
3. Commissioner H.E. Rowin made motion that second and final reading be given to Ordinance changing zone from "A" to "F" District, Lot 3, Block 1, Largent Addition, as requested by Lee Burnett, Commissioner E. Kurl Shirey seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.
4. City Attorney, Dan Brazil, read proposed Ordinance prohibiting medicine shows in the City Limits of Lufkin. Commissioner H.E. Rowin made motion that same be approved on first reading. Commissioner W. C. Royle seconded the motion and unanimous vote followed.
5. Messrs. J. D. Purdue, District Manager, and G. W. Causey, local Manager of United Gas Corporation, appeared before the Commission and presented application to amend present gas rate by addition of a "gas cost adjustment clause". This would allow the Corporation to adjust rates up or down to residential and commercial customers in the future when cost of gas purchased for distribution in Lufkin is increased or decreased. Mr. Purdue stated there would be no immediate change in Lufkin and to illustrate said change of 1¢ per thousand cubic feet in gas rates, would mean an increase or decrease of approximately 9¢ per month to average residential customer. Some discussion was had but concensus of opinion was that no action should be taken until next meeting when full Commission membership would be present.

6. Mr. Cecil W. Simpson, Chairman of City Planning Commission, appeared before Commission and gave a brief progress report on activities since City Planning Commission was officially sworn in on July 7, 1959. Mr. Simpson requested Commission approval of Meeting Dates on Second and Fourth Thursday of each month, appointment of Lynn Durham as permanent secretary and the adoption of Roberts Rules of Parliamentary Procedure. Commissioner W. C. Royle moved that approval be given the above items, which motion was seconded by Commissioner H.E. Rowin and unanimous vote followed.
7. City Manager read his Progress Report for month of June which was fully discussed.
8. City Manager recommended that City Hall be closed on Saturdays since there was not sufficient business handled on Saturday mornings to warrant keeping open and since other local utility offices were closing on Saturdays. Said if approved would give sufficient notice to public and arrangements would be made to handle any emergencies that might come up. Commissioner W.C. Royle made motion that this recommendation be adopted. E. Kurl Shirey seconded the motion and ensuing vote was unanimous. After vote was given, City Manager stated that he wished to advise that other cities in Texas have adopted Saturday closing or were in the process of doing so.
9. City Manager presented statement from Freese, Nichols, Turner & Collie, for professional services on the design phase of Improvement of Sewage Treatment Facilities and Main Sewer System in the amount of \$3,871.06, and recommended same be approved for payment. Said correctness of statement had been certified to by the City Engineer. Commissioner W.C. Royle made motion that same be paid, which motion was seconded by Commissioner H.E. Rowin, and vote was unanimous.
10. City Manager read letter which he had received from Steve Matthews, Executive Director of Texas Municipal League, addressed to City Officials, calling attention to conference to be held on July 24, 1959, at the Commodore-Perry Hotel in Austin, to discuss financial and related aspects of SB-87, the recently enacted Fire and Police maximum hour law. It was brought out in the discussion that no one would be available to attend from City of Lufkin.
11. City Attorney presented application for publication, covering zone change from "A" to "F" District, parcel of land in John L. Quinalty League, located between Ellis Avenue and Moore Avenue by Elliott Cavanaugh and Lyle Peden, for hearing in Meeting of August 18, 1959. Said same had been approved by Zoning Board and \$25.00 check accompanied application. Commissioner W.C. Royle made motion that same be ordered published for hearing in Meeting of August 18, 1959, which motion was seconded by Commissioner E. Kurl Shirey and unanimous vote followed.
12. Open items were gone over and discussed. Deletions were made of items shown closed out.
13. Commissioner E. Kurl Shirey made motion that invoices for past month be paid. Commissioner W.C. Royle seconded motion and vote was unanimous.
14. There being no further business for consideration, the meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:



Lynn Durham, City Secretary
City of Lufkin, Texas



Jim Waters, Mayor, City of Lufkin
Texas