MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS, HELD ON THE 4th DAY OF APRIL, 1967, AT 7:30 P.M.

On the 4th day of April, 1967, the City Commission of the City of Lufkin, Texas, convened in regular meeting in the regular meeting place of said City, with the following members thereof, to-wit:

Jim Waters Carl Liese Dayle V. Smith Byron McNeil

Gene H. Nerren
Basil E. Atkinson, Jr., M.D.
Reagan Parker
Lynn Durham
David Walker

Mayor
Commissioner, Ward No. 1
Commissioner, Ward No. 2
Commissioner, Ward No. 3
Commissioner, Ward No. 4
Commissioner at Large, Place A
Commissioner at Large, Place B
City Manager
City Secretary
City Attorney

being present, constituting a quorum, when the following business was transacted:

- 1. Meeting opened with prayer by Commissioner Byron McNeil.
- 2. Commissioner Byron McNeil made motion that minutes of regular meeting of March 21, 1967, be approved as written. Motion seconded by Commissioner Basil E. Atkinson, Jr., M.D. and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded. Commissioner Byron McNeil made motion that minutes of special meeting of March 23, 1967, be approved as written. Motion seconded by Commissioner Carl Liese and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.
- 3. Mayor opened and City Manager read the following bids on pickup truck for Parks Department (Zoo).

City Manager recommended that the Chevrolet pickup truck be purchased since it was the lowest bid. Commissioner Gene H. Nerren made motion that City Manager's recommendation be followed and that Chevrolet pickup be purchased for the sum of \$1,694.28. Motion seconded by Commissioner Byron McNeil and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

Commissioner Basil E. Atkinson, Jr., M.D. stated that specifications on automobile units for the City should probably be checked with regard to horse power, etc. City Engineer agreed that the specifications could be more specifically written which would, no doubt, be beneficial to the City in future purchases.

4. Mr. Ray Terrell of Bernard Johnson Engineers, Inc., was present and presented plans and specifications covering new Water Well No. 10. He stated that there were sufficient copies to give out to bidders which will be opened in regular meeting at 7:30 P.M., April 18, 1967. He told the City Commission members that if they had any questions as to the specifications, site, etc., would be glad to answer them.

Commissioner Basil E. Atkinson, Jr., M.D. inquired as to mineral rights on property acquired by City for water well site, which was explained in detail by City Attorney.

5. Mr. Ray Terrell presented a summary on various contracts covering Capital Improvements under the City's Bond Issue which reflected items completed, contract prices, engineering fees, etc. It was noted in particular that the Street Improvement Program had consumed or would consume a considerable amount of the Street Improvement and Railroad Underpass

Construction Fund which was due to right-of-ways, street paving of special streets and other expenses being higher than anticipated at the time the Bond Issue was voted. Considerable discussion developed on this subject and Commissioner Basil E. Atkinson, Jr., M.D. was concerned with the fact that the public should know exactly how these funds have been spent to date as compared to the proposed program of paving of certain streets set up and voted on by the people.

Mr. Ray Terrell stated that the public should be advised on every detail of expenditure giving the reason therefor. One item in particular that Commissioner Basil E. Atkinson, Jr., M.D. thought should be eliminated was the City's cost of paving portion of streets in new subdivisions. Commissioner Atkinson stated that in his opinion the City should get out of the subdivision paving business. Commissioner GenenH. Nerren stated he was in agreement with Commissioner Atkinson's feeling.

City Attorney stated that before any action was taken on this subdivision paving question that subject should be discussed with City Planning and Zoning Commission in order to get their views and recommendations thereon since they had been working with the Developers very closely. City Attorney further stated that the City was already obligated to paving in certain approved subdivisions. It was stated that the City Engineer could advise Developers that future subdivisions would not have City participation in paving of streets if the City wanted to stop participating in paving of streets in subdivisions.

Commissioner Basil E. Atkinson, Jr., M.D. made motion that City Attorney's recommendation of bringing this matter to the City Planning and Zoning Commission and that City Engineer advise developers that future subdivision paving would not be participated in by the City, be followed and that City Attorney be instructed to prepare Ordinance for first reading at next regular meeting amending the present Subdivision Ordinance. Motion seconded by Commissioner Carl Liese and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

- 6. The City Commission was pleased with Mr. Terrell's progress report and Commissioner Gene H. Nerren inquired as to how often such reports would be submitted to the City Commission. City Manager recommended that it be given once a month which was agreed to by the City Commission.
- 7. Commissioner Gene H. Nerren made motion that invoice from Bernard Johnson Engineers, Inc. in the amount of \$3,473.89, payment of which was held up at last meeting pending the above mentioned progress reports, should now be authorized for payment. Commissioner Basil E. Atkinson, Jr., M.D. seconded the motion and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.
- 8. City Manager presented the following invoices which had been approved by the City Engineer and Consulting Engineers, which he recommended for payment.

Bernard Johnson Engineers, Inc. \$ 186.90 Engineering services for Ellis St. paving through design phase.

- Bernard Johnson Engineers, Inc. \$ 1,144.64 Engineering services Water Distribution System through design phase.
- Everett Griffith & Associates \$ 328.76 Office and field work on proposed City Hall and Police Station Building.

Commissioner Gene H. Nerren made motion that the above invoices be ordered paid. Motion seconded by Commissioner Carl Liese and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

9. Commissioner Basil E. Atkinson, Jr., M.D. brought up the question of overall water situation, present and future, and especially recent meeting with Angelina-Nacogdoches Counties Water Improvement District President. Commissioner Atkinson stated it was his understanding that another meeting would be held with officials of the above Improvement District with Mr. E. C. Kobs, Jr., in attendance in order that future plans could be studied as far as the City of Lufkin and Nacogdoches were concerned.

City Secretary was instructed to contact Mr. Kobs and arrange a meeting as soon as possible with the Angelina-Nacogdoches Counties Water District and City Commission to discuss this matter in detail. City Secretary stated special meeting was scheduled for April 12, 1967, at 5:00 P.M. to open bids on certain advertised work and would contact Mr. Kobs' office to see if he could be in attendance on this date to discuss the water situation.

- 10. Commissioner Basil E. Atkinson, Jr., M.D. stated he, along with several other of the City Commissioners, had received some complaints on the conduct of one of the Firemen assigned to ambulance service and recommended that permanent records be kept on such complaints for future reference. City Secretary stated that each employee of the City had a personal effeciency record folder and such data could be accumulated therein and would handle accordingly in the future.
- 11. Commissioner Basil E. Atkinson, Jr., M.D. suggested that Agenda for our meetings be changed to show unfinished business and new business and that consideration be given by the City Commission to setting up four official meetings per month with no meeting to go beyond 10:00 P.M. He stated that the above could be considered by the City Commission and decision reached later.
- 12. Commissioner Basil E. Atkinson, Jr., M.D. stated he had noted where a local committee known as "Downtown Improvements" has been meeting and City Commission would no doubt be interested in their studies or proposed projects.
- 13. City Attorney presented data to each Commissioner showing report of ambulance as far as collections were concerned covering period from October 1966 thru March 20, 1967, showing that \$16,873.09 had been billed for services, \$7,276.10 had been collected and \$9,596.99 was still owing. City Attorney

stated this seemed to be better than was anticipated at the beginning of our ambulance service. City Attorney stated that if the Commission had any suggestions on procedure of collecting the amount owing, the Commission could authorize same

- 14. City Attorney stated that Mr. Roy Miller, Mayor of Keltys, advised that since underpass on Spence Street had been filled in under Southern Pacific Railroad, visitors were having some difficulty in finding his office and requested permission to put up sign in this vicinity denoting where his office was. City Attorney recommended that Mr. Miller check Highway Department before installing such sign and that he be allowed to place a temporary sign on Highway 69. Commissioner Basil E. Atkinson, Jr. M.D. recommended that City Attorney's recommendation be followed. Motion seconded by Commissioner Byron McNeil and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.
- 15. Commissioner Carl Liese stated he had received some complaints on mulp wood trucks turning off Timberland Drive and using Arena Street for several blocks rather than proceeding to the red light at the intersection of Timberland Drive and Atkinson and the heavy traffic was keeping Arena Street torn up. City Manager will check on the situation and put up proper sign to keep trucks from using Arena Street.
- 16. Commissioner Carl Liese also called attention to condition of streets throughout the City. He said there were several locations where holes had developed in the pavement but were not repaired as soon as he thought that they should. City Manager stated procedure used in patching streets and would follow through on any items that were called to his specific attention. Commissioner Dayle V. Smith inquired if any thought had been given to contracting such street repair work and felt some thought should be given to this method.
- 17. Mayor gave a report on results of City Election held this date covering the position of Mayor, Commissioner Ward 1 and Commissioner Ward 3 and the following results indicated by the Judges.

For Mayor:

Earl Nisbet Jim Waters 705 votes 664 votes

For Commissioner Ward 1: Carl Liese 1316 votes

For Commissioner Ward 2: Byron McNeil 1287 votes

Mayor stated also that there were approximately 30 citizens whose names had been written in from one to two times for Commissioners races in Ward 1 and 3.

Commissioner Basil E. Atkinson, Jr., M.D. asked Mayor Jim Waters if he desired to check further into the results and Mayor stated he did not. Commissioner Byron McNeil made motion that the above results of election held this date be considered official and that Earl Nisbet be declared Mayor, Carl Liese declared Commissioner of Ward 1 and Byron McNeil declared Commissioner of Ward 3.for the three year period beginning April 4, 1967. Commissioner Dayle V. Smith seconded the motion and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

18. Commissioner Gene H. Nerren made motion that the City Commission go on record by passing a Resolution commending the fine services and work by Jim Waters, who handled the

position of Mayor so well for the past 8 years and that City Attorney be instructed to draw up such Resolution for presentation to Mayor Jim Waters. Motion seconded by Commissioner Byron McNeil and a unanimous affirmative vote was recorded.

19. There being no further business for consideration, meeting was adjourned at 10:00 P.M.

Mayor - City of Lufkin, Texas

ATTEST:

City Secretary - City of Lufkin, Texas