

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF LUFKIN, TEXAS HELD ON THE 5TH DAY OF APRIL 2016.**

On the 5th day of April, 2016 the City Council of the City of Lufkin, Texas convened in a Regular Meeting in the Council Chambers of City Hall with the following members, thereof to wit:

Mark Hicks
Victor Travis
Robert Shankle
Lynn Torres
Rocky Thigpen
Sarah Murray
Keith Wright
Steve Floyd
Bruce Green
Kara Atwood
Rodney Ivy
David Thomas
Ted Lovett
Belinda Southern
Dorothy Wilson
Steve Poskey
Jason Arnold
Dale Allred
Chuck Walker
Kent Havard

Mayor Pro Tem
Councilmember, Ward No. 1
Councilmember Ward No. 2
Councilmember Ward No. 3
Councilmember, Ward No. 5
Councilmember, Ward No. 6
City Manager
Assistant City Manager
City Attorney
City Secretary
Human Resource Director
Asst. Police Chief
Fire Chief
Finance Director
Planning Director
Street Department Director
Water & Sewer Director
Inspection Services Director
Public Works Director
Solid Waste Director

being present; and

Bob F. Brown

Mayor

being absent when the following business was transacted.

1. The meeting was opened with prayer by Pastor Mark O'Neill of Covenant Presbyterian Church.
2. Mayor Pro Tem Mark Hicks welcomed visitors present and greeted the group of students that attended from Angelina College.
3. **MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD
MARCH 15TH, 2016 - APPROVED**

Councilmember Lynn Torres moved to approve the minutes of the meeting as presented. Councilmember Sarah Murray seconded the motion and a unanimous vote to approve was recorded.

NEW BUSINESS

4. **RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS
RECOGNIZING THE LUFKIN PROFESSIONAL FIREFIGHTERS
ASSOCIATION AS THE SOLE BARGAINING AGENT FOR FIREFIGHTERS
OF THE LUFKIN FIRE DEPARTMENT IN REGARD TO MEET AND CONFER
REGULATIONS - APPROVED**

City Manager Wright stated that during the March 15, 2016 City Council meeting the City Council approved a Resolution ordering a certification election under section 142.04 of the Local Government Code to determine whether the association represented a majority of the affected firefighters. City Manager Wright furthered that both the City administration and representatives of the proposed association agreed on the procedure for a certification election and that the election was conducted March 28 through April 1,

2016. City Manager Wright stated that the time frame allowed a week for all three (3) shifts of the affected firefighters the opportunity to vote. City Manager Wright furthered that the attached Resolution granted recognition of the Lufkin Professional Firefighters Association as requested by the petition and certified by a majority vote of the Lufkin Firefighters. City Manager Wright stated that the City could meet and confer with the Lufkin Professional Firefighter's Association under Chapter 142, Subchapter C of the Texas Local Government Code without an election by the voters in the City of Lufkin, Texas. City Manager Wright furthered that a total of seventy-two (72) firefighters voted in favor of the Resolution, three (3) against the Resolution and a few affected firefighters did not vote due to vacation or unavailability to vote. City Manager Wright concluded that Staff recommended City Council approve the Resolution recognizing the Lufkin Professional Firefighter Association as the sole bargaining agent for all firefighters employed by the City of Lufkin, Texas regarding Meet and Confer Regulations.

Councilmember Lynn Torres moved to approve the Resolution as presented. Councilmember Sarah Murray seconded the motion and a unanimous vote to approve was recorded.

5. RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS APPOINTING ELECTION JUDGES, JUDGE OF THE EARLY VOTING BALLOT BOARD AND EARLY VOTING JUDGE FOR THE CITY OF LUFKIN REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTION OF MAY 7, 2016; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE - APPROVED

City Manager Wright stated Section 32.005 (a) of the Texas Election Code required that the governing body of the municipality appoint the Election Judge, Early Voting Election Judge and Judge of the Early Voting Ballot Board for the upcoming City of Lufkin Municipal Election. City Manager Wright furthered that the Election Judges would preside over voting during Election Day. City Manager Wright stated the Early Voting Ballot Board Judge would convene the Board during Election Day in order to tally any mail ballots that would be received and the Early Voting Judge would preside over voting during Early Voting. City Manager Wright furthered that Ms. Archie Cornish, a resident of Ward No. 1 was recommended as the Early Voting Judge, Early Voting Ballot Board Judge as well as the Election Day Judge for Ward No. 1 and furthered that Ms. Cornish was an experienced Election worker and had previously served in the capacity for the City. City Manager Wright stated that Mr. David Franssen was a resident of Ward No. 3 and was recommended to serve as the Election Day Judge for Ward No. 3. City Manager Wright furthered that Mr. Franssen had worked in many Angelina County elections and came recommended by the Elections Administrator for Angelina County. City Manager Wright concluded that both individuals agreed to serve in the positions and that Staff recommended City Council consider approval of the Resolution that appointed Election Judges for the upcoming May 7, 2016 City of Lufkin General Election.

Councilmember Robert Shankle moved to approve the Resolution as presented. Councilmember Sarah Murray seconded the motion and a unanimous vote to approve was recorded.

6. RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A WHOLESALE WATER AND SEWER SUPPLY CONTRACT WITH THE ANGELINA NECHES RIVER AUTHORITY - APPROVED

City Manager Wright stated the Resolution authorized the City Manager to execute a water and sewer supply contract with Angelina Neches River Authority. City Manager Wright furthered that the proposed water and sewer supply contract was attached for review by council members. City Manager Wright stated the proposed contract was basically a renewal of an existing contract with a few minor changes and further stated that the City had previously entered into such contracts with Diboll, Redland and Angelina Water Supply. City Manager Wright stated that the affected parties had reviewed and preliminarily agreed to the terms in the proposed contract. City Manager Wright concluded that Staff recommended City Council approve the Resolution

authorizing the City Manager to execute a Wholesale Water and Sewer Supply Contract with the Angelina Neches River Authority.

Councilmember Robert Shankle moved to approve the Resolution as presented. Councilmember Lynn Torres seconded and a unanimous vote to approve was recorded.

7. GRANT TO THE CITY OF LUFKIN FIRE DEPARTMENT FROM THE GEORGIA PACIFIC FOUNDATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8,000 AND A RESOLUTION APPROVING BUDGET AMENDMENT NO. 13 APPROPRIATING THE FUNDING - APPROVED

City Manager Wright stated the Lufkin Fire Department received grant funding in the amount of \$8,000 from the Georgia Pacific Foundation and furthered that the grant was greatly appreciated. City Manager Wright stated the funding would be placed in the Fire Services Equipment Budget for the Fire Department. City Manager Wright concluded that Staff recommended City Council accept the funding in the amount of \$8,000 from the Georgia Pacific Foundation and approve a Resolution authorizing Budget Amendment No. 13 appropriating the funding.

Councilmember Lynn Torres moved to approve the Resolution as presented. Councilmember Rocky Thigpen seconded and a unanimous vote to approve was recorded.

8. ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST FROM MAYOR, CITY COUNCILMEMBERS AND STAFF

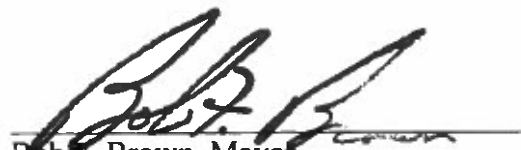
City Manager Wright highlighted upcoming events and meetings.

Mayor Pro Tem Mark Hicks and City Council congratulated Councilmember Robert Shankle for his recent birthday.

Councilmember Rocky Thigpen commended the Lufkin Police Department for their professionalism, training and leadership in the line of duty during the recent incident at Wal-Mart.

9. There being no more business to address the meeting was adjourned at 5:13 p.m.




Bob F. Brown, Mayor

ATTEST:


Kara Atwood, City Secretary