

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY  
OF LUFKIN, TEXAS  
HELD FEBRUARY 5, 1957 AT 7:30 PM

On this the 5th day of February, A.D., 1957, the City Commission of the City of Lufkin, Texas, convened in regular session, in their regular meeting place in said City, with the following members thereof, to-wit:

Woodrow W. Scott, Mayor  
Jack Nerren, Commissioner, Ward No. 2  
W. F. Collins, Commissioner, Ward No. 3  
L. C. Britain, Commissioner, Ward No. 4  
Harold Schmitzer, City Manager,  
Lynn Durham, City Secretary,  
C. E. Brazil, City Attorney,

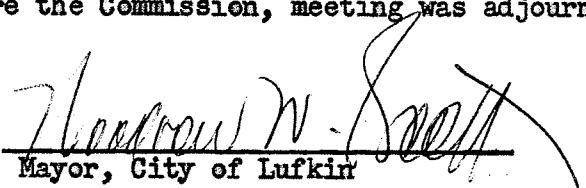
being present, and the following absent, Granville Wright, Commissioner Ward No. 1, constituting a quorum when the following business was transacted:

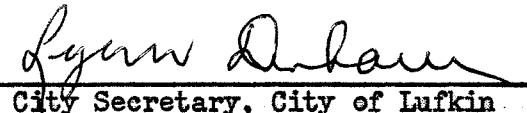
1. Meeting was opened with prayer by Mayor Woodrow W. Scott.
2. Minutes of regular meeting of January 15, 1957, were read and approved.
3. City Manager, Harold Schmitzer, opened and read bids from 14 concerns on cast iron pipe and fittings and fire hydrants which were filed with City in response to the City's published request. Mr. Schmitzer requested and was given sufficient time by the Commission to study each bid thoroughly in order that recommendation could be made at next meeting on February 19th for awarding contract.
4. City Manager, Harold Schmitzer, opened and read two bids on electrical work on Well #7, from Erwin Electric Co., and Smith Electrical Service, both of Lufkin. These bids were turned over to Mr. R. E. L. Johnson of Freese, Nichols & Turner for checking and when Mr. Schmitzer receives information from Mr. Johnson, awarding of contract will be made.
5. Mr. R. C. Musslewhite appeared before the Commission to advise that all data was not yet available in regard his and Mr. Curtis Fenley's recent request for assistance in developing their property at Chestnut Street and Timberland Drive. Felt they owed the City Commission the courtesy of advising on this and, as soon as their information was available, would so advise the Commission. Mayor Woodrow W. Scott thanked Mr. Musslewhite for this information.
6. Mrs. Mary Mason appeared before the Commission and presented a petition signed by 58 persons requesting the widening of hard-surfaced area of Raguet Street at least 8 feet on each side from Abney Avenue north to City Limits. Stated that property owners adjoining North Raguet Street agree to assist in the cost of this project. City Manager, Harold Schmitzer, was instructed by the Commission to check into this matter thoroughly with Highway Department and other interested parties and report his findings at Meeting of Commission on February 19th.
7. City Manager, Harold Schmitzer, was authorized by the Commission to expend up to \$600.00 for an elevated tank site in the eastern part of the City, and approved the construction of a ground storage tank and aeration. Mr. Schmitzer was instructed to work with Mr. R. E. L. Johnson of Freese, Nichols & Turner to advertise for bids on all of this work in order to get it completed in the shortest possible time. Mr. Schmitzer stated that originally the elevated tank was scheduled to be erected in the south part of City, but had been postponed indefinitely due to City's inability to secure suitable site. Mr. Schmitzer also pointed out that there was no reason for water rationing this summer since there would be ample water available.
8. City Manager, Harold Schmitzer, read letter from Mr. W. W. McKewen, Business Manager of Lufkin Independent School District, requesting the City to grant them permission to extend the 6" City water main located on Paul Avenue to Herty School, the cost of which to be borne by the School District and details to be worked out with City Manager. The Commission felt that all details be worked out and presented at next meeting before official approval could be given.
9. City Manager, Harold Schmitzer, presented two estimates from Wilks, Dake & Steed for approval as to payment for work done on contracts as follows:

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| Sewer Improvements    | \$18,764.49 |
| Water Main Extensions | 37,685.18   |

Stated these estimates had been checked over and were in line for payment. Commission unanimously approved.

10. City Manager, Harold Schmitzer, stated had received request from a prospective buyer of the City's old incinerator building and was wondering if Commission would desire to advertise for bids. The Commission desired that Mr. Schmitzer check into more fully as to type of brick, condition, number, etc., as it might be to City's advantage to salvage rather than selling direct to an outside purchaser.
11. City Manager, Harold Schmitzer, called attention to letter had received from Freese, Nichols & Turner, advising that all work performed by H.H. Null Pipe Line Contractors, for the City of Lufkin had been satisfactorily completed and that water from all lines had now met all tests. They recommended that final payment of \$3,000.00, which was withheld from final estimate to insure cleanup and resterilization of 18" line on Greesbeck Street, be paid. They also recommended that the City in accepting the completion of this contract, should write letter to them, calling attention to general conditions of the contract whereby the Contractor (H.H. Null) is liable for a definite period of time. Commission approved and instructed City Manager, Harold Schmitzer, to follow through to conclusion.
12. Commissioner, L. C. Britain, inquired if City had any special agreement or arrangement for water rate outside of City Limits. Said one customer advised him was paying more than another customer who lived next to him. City Manager, Harold Schmitzer, stated that as far as he knew, no special rates were in effect but would have City Secretary check into this subject.
13. Mayor Woodrow W. Scott stated that Calvary Baptist Church was contemplating the construction of a new Educational Building and desired to widen Montrose Street to give them more parking area around the Church. City Manager, Harold Schmitzer, will discuss with Rev. H. E. Small, Pastor of this Church, and others interested and report to Commission at later date.
14. Mayor Woodrow W. Scott stated that City Election would have to be held on April 2nd and Commission should approve of election notice being made up and posted in accordance with regulations. Unanimously approved by Commission and City Attorney, C. E. Brazil, instructed to handle to conclusion with City Secretary.
15. Commissioner, Jack Nerren, called attention to bill owed the City by one of its former employees for curb and gutter work in amount of \$393.75. Stated the bill was supposed to have been paid when work completed. Commission voted unanimously to collect the bill and Mayor Woodrow W. Scott said would personally handle.
16. Mayor Woodrow W. Scott called attention to a mule that has been staked out by its owner inside City Limits (near Clark Street) and, on several occasions lately, this animal has gotten loose creating a traffic hazard. City Ordinance prohibits live stock from being loose and owner should be so notified. If animal is found loose again, should be picked up and impounded.
17. City Attorney, C. E. Brazil, submitted request for zone change from "A" to "B" District, Lots 5 and 6 and west 10' of Lot No. 4 in Block No. 1 of the Oakland Addition, by L. Richardson, owner. Approved by Commission on first reading.
18. City Attorney, C. E. Brazil, submitted for approval zone change in that area west of the S. P. R.R. to the north margin of Kurth Drive along Banks Street, from "A" to "B" District. Stated all provisions had been complied with as to publication, notice to owners, etc. Commission approved on first reading.
19. There being no further business to come before the Commission, meeting was adjourned.

  
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Mayor, City of Lufkin

  
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Lynn D. Danner  
City Secretary, City of Lufkin