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Lufkin, Texas, January 5th., 1915.

Be it remembered that on this the 5th., day of January, A. D. there came on and was held a REGULAR meeting of the City Council of the City of Lufkin, Texas, in the Council Chambers of said City, there being present and presiding the following officers:

C. N. Humason, Mayor,

S. H. Kerr, Alderman,

I. D. Fairchild, "

L. H. Gray, City Secretary,

A. J. Glenn, "

Dr. B. F. Gibson, "

Dr. T. A. Taylor, "

When the following proceedings among others were had to-wit:

Minutes of meetings December 1st., 4th., 7th., and 19th., read and approved, with no corrections.

Report of City Health officer R. B. Bledsee read and approved, showing amount of work done during month of December, stating verbally the town is now in better sanitary condition than ever before.

Report of L. H. Gray, Water Commissioner, read and approved, showing the following:

Amount of revenues for month of December, \$486.70

Amount of running expenses \$570.77.

Amount of monthly revenues over and above running expenses \$116.07.

Report of J. E. Walker, Street Commissioner read and approved, showing the following: Amount of tax collected for the month \$134.00.

Amount paid out on streets, \$140.70. Amount overdrawn \$16.70.

Report of W. E. Seale, Pound Master read and approved showing the following: Total number of animals handled by this department this month, thirty seven. Total amount of monies turned over to the City Treasurer, \$36.50. Amount of warrant to be issued to pound master, \$36.50.

Report of B. F. Nerren read and approved, showing one dog disposed of, and warrant ordered issued to cover.

Report of G. A. Medford, assessor and collector, showing collections for the past month, read and approved.

Report of Corporation Court read and approved, showing the following: Number cases tried, Five. Fines to City, \$5.00. Recorder's fees \$5.00. Clerk's fees \$6.50. Marshall's fees \$2.00. Deputy Marshall's fees \$8.00. Attorney's fees \$20.00.

Petition read from G. H. Bickford, Et. Al and thirteen other citizens, praying for a 50 Ft. street starting from J. E. Shortal's to W. H. Hicks, north to J. E. Harrell and H. C. Warren, east to W. McMillans, north to Nerren Perry road. Also street leading south from W. H. Hicks to Manton road.

Mayor referred the matter to the Aldermen of second and fifth wards, together with the committees appointed from each of the these two wards at meeting of this Council held under date of Dec. 4th. adding to this committee the following named persons: E. F. Dunlap, W. R. Sanders, and P. W. McMillan.

A committee composed of the Directors of the Lufkin Sanitary sewer Corporation, namely, Messrs. S. M. Morris, G. A. Kelly, W. R. McMullen, W. M. Glenn, G. R. Thompson, W. A. Gellmergen, appeared before the City Council, praying that this City either devise means and ways of purchasing the sewer system, or give them relief in a financial way, stating that in order to induce them to install said system more than two hundred fifty property owners had signed up and shown their willingness to connect their properties to said system if installed; and whereas only one hundred and twenty five property owners had connected to their system.

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After much discussion Mayor Humason appointed a committee, composed of the following: Dr. R. B. Bledsoe, City H. O., K. W. Denman, City Attorney, and alderman Br. B. F. Gibson, to frame a suitable ordinance, covering sewer connections in certain districts, or the abolition of the top ground closets, and to report with same to this Council at its next regular meeting.

City Marshall B. F. Nerren presented to the Council an appointment of C. M. Smith as his Deputy, and asked the Council to ratify same.

After much discussion, and after Mr. Nerren explaining his need of a deputy, the Mayor put the question, asking those aldermen who were in favor of said appointment to vote "AYE", and those opposed to such appointment to vote "NO".

The vote on this question stood as follows: "AYES", Aldermen Taylor and Fairchild, ~~NAME~~ "NOES" aldermen Gibson, and Glenn. Alderman Kerr not voting.

The vote being a tie, Mayor Humason cast the deciding vote, and voted to ratify the appointment of Claude M. Smith as Deputy Marshall of B. F. Nerren, subject to execution of approved \$1000 bond.

Motion prevailed that the bond of Claude M. Smith, in the amount of \$500.00, with D. J. Campbell and Deb Smith as sureties be returned to the makers for execution in the amount of \$1000.00.

Report of City Engineer, P. A. McCarthy, read and approved, showing work accomplished in his department for the past month.

Motion prevailed that this City remit the license fees of those applying who had been passed by the examining board of plumbers, except just enough to pay the expenses.

Bills and accounts allowed as read.

There being no further business a motion was carried to adjourn.

A petition was read from P. M. Kaufman of Chicago, Ill., praying for a franchise, rights and easements over the Streets, avenues, alleyways, highways and public grounds of the City of Lufkin, for the purpose of constructing, maintaining and operating a line of electrically operated street railways, maintain and operate power stations, and also to manufacture, sell and deal in electric current to the inhabitants of the City of Lufkin, for light, heat and power, empowering P. A. McCarthy & Sons as his lawful and appointed agents to act in his, (P. M. Kaufmans) stead.

In-as-much as the time of beginning construction and operation was longer than the Council deemed wise, and the terms and length of franchise wanted seemed at variance with the views of the majority of the members of the Council, the matter was deferred until a future meeting, and also referred to Mr. G. T. Gross, Secretary of the Angelina Progressive League, for the consideration of that august body, or its directorate.

There being no further business a motion was carried to adjourn.

Approved, this the 2d day of Feb. A. D. 1915.



Mayor, City of Lufkin, Texas.

Attest,



City Secretary,  
City of Lufkin, Texas.

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