

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF  
LUFKIN, TEXAS, HELD APRIL 3rd,  
1923.

Be it remembered that on this the 3rd day of April, A.D. 1923, there was begun and holden a regular meeting of the City Commission of the City of Lufkin, Texas, at the Municipal Office thereof in said City: present and presiding the Hon. G. A. Kelley, Mayor, S.R. Parker, Commissioner of Ward No. 1, E. E. Woods, Commissioner of Ward No. 2, B. L. Zeagler, Commissioner of Ward No. 3, and W. B. Treadwell, Commissioner of Ward No. 4, C. N. Humason, City Manager, T. L. Dunn, City Secretary and W. O. Seale, City Attorney, when the following proceedings were had, to-wit:-

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Minutes of former meetings of the City Commission~~er~~ read, and by move and second duly made and carried were adopted and approved.

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Under date of March 30th, 1923, a contract was entered into with the Brown-Crummer Company of Wichita, Kans, for the sale of \$50,000.00 in CITY OF LUFKIN WATER WORKS WARRANTS and it appearing that such contract was made at a call meeting of this Commission and that it is necessary that such action be confirmed at this REGULAR meeting of the City Commission, by move made by B.L. Zeagler and seconded by E.E. Woods, such action of the City Commission taken as above set forth is hereby fully and in all things confirmed.

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Sheriff R. V. Watts presented an account for services in executing process in connection with suits filed by the City of Lufkin on delinquent Taxes and paying contracts and asked that same be allowed. After duly considering such claim by move and second duly made and carried, it was ordered that said account be allowed after submitting same to City Attorney for his approval and recommendation.

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I. D. Fairchild and A.L. Boynton appeared in person and asked this Commission to construct a water main and sewer main through an addition being opened by them in the northern part of the City on the East side of the H.E. & W.T. Railroad, or to grant to them authority to construct such water and sewer mains at their own expense with the understanding that at some future time the City of Lufkin would take over said mains by paying said Fairchild and Boynton the amount expended by them in constructing such water and sewer lines with such rate of interest as may be agreed upon by written contract to be entered into before the construction of such mains begin. After duly considering such proposition it was moved by Commissioner B.L. Zeagler and seconded by Commissioner W.B. Treadwell that said I.D. Fairchild and A.L. Boynton be permitted to construct the water and sewer mains as above set forth under the terms and conditions as mentioned. said motion carried unanimously.

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An ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT FOR PARTY WALLS ON EACH SIDE OF LOT NO. FIVE IN BLOCK NO. SIXTEEN IN THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS" was presented for passage and approval. By move and second duly made and carried said ordinance was passed and approved.

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An ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE CONTRACTED INDEBTEDNESS FOR THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING

AMOUNTING TO THE SUM OF \$7400.00 BY PROVIDING FOR \$1500.00 CASH PAYMENT AND THE ISSUANCE OF FOUR PROMISSORY NOTES FOR THE SUM OF \$1475.00 EACH, BEARING INTEREST FROM DATE UNTIL PAID AT THE RATE OF 8% PER ANNUM, DUE IN ONE, TWO, THREE AND FOUR YEARS, RESPECTIVELY AFTER DATE; AND PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY OF A TAX SUFFICIENT TO PAY ANNUAL INTEREST THEREON AND PROVIDE FOR A SINKING FUND TO RETIRE THEM AT MATURITY" was presented for passage and approval, and by move and second duly made and carried said ordinance was unanimously passed and approved on first reading.

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An Ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE CREATING THE OFFICE OF CITY ELECTRICIAN AND FIXING THE BOND OF SUCH OFFICE AND DESCRIBING ITS DUTIES; REGULATING THE ERECTION AND CONSTRUCTION OF POLES, WIRES AND OTHER NECESSARY APPURTENANCES FOR ELECTRIC LIGHT, POWER, TELEPHONES OR TELEGRAPH COMPANIES IN THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS; PROVIDING FOR PERMITS, REPORTS AND FEES TO BE CHARGED FOR SUCH CONSTRUCTION; REGULATING THE INSIDE WIRING OF HOUSES AND OTHER STRUCTURES; PROVIDING FOR THE EXAMINATION OF MASTER AND JOURNEYMAN ELECTRICIANS AND THE LICENSING AND THE BONDING OF SAME; PROVIDING FOR INSPECTION AND THE ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES THEREOF; PROVIDING FOR A DEPOSIT OF \$100.00 BY ALL ELECTRIC LIGHT, TELEPHONE, TELEGRAPH AND STREET RAILWAY COMPANIES DOING BUSINESS IN THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES AND PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HERewith AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, was presented in due form and after reading the same to the city commission, it was moved by E.E. Woods to pass and approve said ordinance and that the rule requiring ordinances to be read at two stated meeting and not to become effective until ten days after passage and publication, be suspended, and that said ordinance be placed on second reading, and take effect and be in force from and after final passage and publication. B. L. Zeagler seconded said motion and Mayor G.A. Kelley put the question and requested all members of the city commission who favored the passage of said ordinance to vote "Aye", and those who opposed the passage of said ordinance to vote "No". G.A. Kelley, S.R. Parker, E.E. Woods, B.L. Zeagler and W.B. Treadwell voted "Aye". No votes were cast against the proposition, and the Mayor declared the motion carried, and the ordinance finally passed and approved.

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All accounts due by the city to various parties, firms or corporations was presented for payment, and it appearing that those accounts which have been properly audited and allowed by the City Manager should be paid, by move and second duly made and carried, same were allowed and City Warrants ordered issued in payment of same.

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It appearing that there are a number of important matters to be considered at a regular meeting of the city Commissioner, and that same cannot be attended to at this time, by move and second duly made and carried, this meeting is adjourned until Friday afternoon, at 2 o'clock P.M. same being April 6th, 1923. Motion carried.

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On this day, April 6th, 1923, at 2 o'clock P.M. Mayor protem, E. E. Woods announced that there could not be a quorum present and continued the meeting to Wednesday, April 11, at 2 o'clock P. M.

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On this day April 11, 1923, the city Commission of the City of Lufkin, Texas, met in adjourned regular session, with the City Manager, the Mayor and all of the Commissioners and City Secretary present, when the following proceedings were had, to-wit:-

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An Ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE PURCHASE OF ENGINES, MOTORS, FIRE HYDRANTS, ETC. AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF EXTENSIONS OF THE WATER MAINS, PURIFYING PLANT, DAM AND SPILL WAY, AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF EMERGENCY IMPROVEMENTS ON THE CONNECTION WITH THE WATERWORKS SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN, PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF WATERWORKS WARRANTS EVIDENCING THE OBLIGATION OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN FOR THE FURNISHING OF SAID MATERIALS AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF SAID IMPROVEMENTS; PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY OF A TAX TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST OF SAID WARRANTS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, WAS introduced and by move and second duly made and carried said ordinance was read, passed on first reading, placed on final passage and finally passed.

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An Ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE CANVASSING THE RETURNS AND DECLARING THE RESULT OF AN ELECTION HELD WITHIN AND FOR THE CITY OF LUFKIN ON THE 1st TUESDAY IN APRIL A. D. 1923, SAME BEING THE 3rd. DAY THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING A MAYOR AND FOUR COMMISSIONERS, was presented for passage and approval, and by move and second duly made and carried said ordinance was passed.

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An Ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE CANVASSING THE RETURNS AND DECLARING THE RESULT OF AN ELECTION HELD WITHIN AND FOR THE CITY OF LUFKIN ON THE 1st TUESDAY IN APRIL A. D. 1923, SAME BEING THE 3rd. DAY THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF AMENDING SECTIONS 9, 12 and 13 OF THE SPECIAL CHARTER OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS, ADOPTED MARCH 10, 1919, was presented for passage, and by move and second duly made and carried said ordinance was passed.

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An Ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE CONTRACTED INDEBTEDNESS FOR THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING AMOUNTING TO THE SUM OF \$7400.00 BY PROVIDING FOR \$1500.00 CASH PAYMENT AND THE ISSUANCE OF FOUR PROMISSORY NOTES FOR THE SUM OF \$1475.00 EACH, BEARING INTEREST FROM DATE UNTIL PAID AT THE RATE OF 8% PER ANNUM, DUE IN ONE, TWO, THREE AND FOUR YEARS, RESPECTIVELY AFTER DATE; AND PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY OF TAX SUFFICIENT TO PAY ANNUAL INTEREST THEREON AND PROVIDING FOR A SINKING FUND TO ~~PAID~~ RETIRE THEM AT MATURITY, was presented for passage on second reading, and by move and second duly made and carried said ordinance was passed on second reading.

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A committee composed of C.N. Humason, Sam A. Kerr and Tom Russell, who had heretofore been appointed to investigate and make report upon what they considered the best thing to do relative to the purchase of an oil engine reported as follows:- that they recommend the purchase of a two-cylinder, 150 H.P. Worthington Engine at this time because of the fact that such engine could be shipped not later than May 15th, 1923; whereas the one previously selected, being a 4 cylinder 120 H.P. Worthington Engine could not be shipped before July 15th, 1923. They claiming that the difference in price of the two engines would be ~~offset~~ nearly offset by the difference in cost of operating by electricity.

By Move and second duly made and carried said report was received and it was ordered that the engine recommended by said committee be purchased.

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of the Texas Company

A representative appeared before the City Commission and made oral application for a permit to construct additional building and erect additional oil tank for storage purposes on the property they now have leased from the H.E. & T.Ry. Co. After due consideration of said application it was moved and seconded that said Texas Company be permitted to construct a fire proof building, or one in compliance with the Building Code of the City as applies to building in the brick or fire limits of the City, and to also install an extra oil and gasoline tank if same is installed and constructed in accordance with the latest approved methods. said motion carried unanimously.

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The oath of office was administered to the Mayor elect and to each of the four commissioners elect of the City of Lufkin, Texas, as appears of record in the minutes of this Commission.

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There being no further business to come before the city Commission, by move and second duly made and carried adjournment was taken.

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Read and approved on this the 1st day of May, A.D. 1923.

ATTEST:

*J. L. Starnes*  
CITY SECRETARY.

*Sam A. Kerr*  
Mayor, City of Lufkin, Texas.