

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
LUFKIN, TEXAS HELD ON THE 20th DAY OF APRIL, 2021**

On the 20th day of April, 2021 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:

Bob F. Brown	Mayor
Mark Hicks	Mayor Pro Tem
Guessippina Bonner	Councilmember, Ward No. 1
Robert Shankle	Councilmember, Ward No. 2
Lynn Torres	Councilmember, Ward No. 3
Rocky Thigpen	Councilmember, Ward No. 5
Trent Burfine	Councilmember, Ward No. 6
Bruce Green	City Manager
Erika Neill	City Attorney
Jason Arnold	Assistant City Manager – Public Works
Gerald Williamson	Assistant City Manager – Admin/Public Safety
Kara Andrepont	City Secretary
Rodney Ivy	Human Resource Director
David Thomas	Police Chief
Buddy Cross	Assistant Police Chief
Jesse Moody	Fire Chief
Jessica Pebsworth	Communications Director
Belinda Melancon	Finance Director
Kevin Gee	Engineering Services Director
Rudy Flores	Parks and Recreation Director
Scott Feaster	IT Director
Jessica Leyva	Utility Collections

being present when the following business was transacted.

INVOCATION – The meeting was opened with prayer by Mayor Bob Brown.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Mayor Brown opened the meeting for Public Comment on any posted agenda item at 5:01 p.m. There being no one who wished to speak, Mayor Brown closed the Public Comment portion of the meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD APRIL 6, 2021 – APPROVED.**
- 2. SECOND READING OF AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS, ESTABLISHING MAXIMUM SPEEDS OF MOTOR VEHICLES IN CERTAIN AREAS (CONSTRUCTION ZONE) – APPROVED.**
- 3. GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,300 FROM THE DEEP EAST TEXAS REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL (DETRAC) FOR THE LUFKIN FIRE DEPARTMENT AND FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE 2020-2021 OPERATING BUDGET (BUDGET AMENDMENT NO. 10) APPROPRIATING THE FUNDING – APPROVED.**
- 4. DONATIONS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,700 FOR THE CITY OF LUFKIN PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT AND FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE 2020-2021 OPERATING BUDGET (BUDGET AMENDMENT NO. 11) APPROPRIATING THE FUNDING – APPROVED.**

Councilmember Lynn Torres moved to approve all items on the Consent Agenda as presented. Councilmember Guessippina Bonner seconded the motion and a unanimous vote to approve was recorded.

5. APPOINTMENT TO THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION - APPROVED.

City Manager Green stated this Commission handles all Civil Service matters with the Police and Fire Departments. City Manager Green furthered due to the resignation of Jim Myers there was a vacancy on the Civil Service Commission. City Manager Green stated three applications had been received by Staff for the position. City Manager Green furthered the applicants were Shamir Harris, Pat Nicholson and Brent Watkins and the application were included in City Council’s packets for review.

City Councilmember Lynn Torres made a motion to nominate Pat Nicholson to fill the vacancy on the Civil Service Commission. Councilmember Guessippina Bonner asked for information as to which Ward each applicant resided in. Councilmember Bonner expressed concern that a diversity of representation from each Ward be present within the Commission. Councilmember Trent Burfine asked who would determine the Chair Person for the Commission and how long each application was valid. Discussion ensued regarding the Councilmember’s questions. Councilmember Mark Hicks seconded the motion and a unanimous vote to approve was recorded.

6. CITY OF LUFKIN FINANCE REPORT

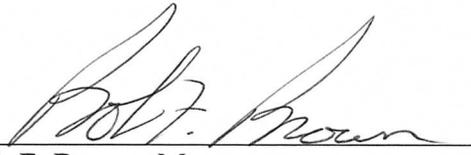
City of Lufkin Finance Director Belinda Melancon presented the City of Lufkin Finance Report and offered to answer any questions. There were none.

7. FINANCIAL STATUS REPORT

City Manager Bruce Green offered to answer any questions. There were none.

There being no further business, Mayor Bob Brown adjourned the meeting at 5:10 p.m.




Bob F. Brown, Mayor


Kara Andrepont, City Secretary