On this the 2nd day of February, A. D. 1954, the City Commission of the City of Lufkin, Texas, convened in Regular Session at the Fire Station in said City with the following members thereof being present:

Absent:

None

- 1. The Meeting was opened with prayer by the Mayor, werein he asked Devine Blessings on the City of Lufkin and the proceedings of the City Commission.
- 2. Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on January 19 were read and approved.
- 3. Mr. John Taylor appeared before the Commission and asked for a donation for the support and maintenance of the National Guard. He suggested a donation of \$25 per month. The matter was discussed by the Commission and Mr. Taylor was told that when the building was completed, then the City would assist and go its part in assisting with the maintenance and upkeep of the Armory.
- 4. Mr. W. H. Johnston came before the Commission and discussed the heating of the City Hall. The City Commission agreed to have Mr. Wilbur Kent to draw up plans and specifications for the heating unit and to submit bids for same.
- 5. Rev. Kirk Allen, representing the Ministerial Alliance of the City, appeared and requested that the City pass an appropriate ordinance prohibiting the sale and the shooting of all kinds of fire works within the City. He claimed that it was a desecration of Christmas as well as being dangerous and a fire hazard. The Commission discussed the matter and agreed to take it under advisement and make a definite decision, at its next Regular Masting.
- 6. Mr. Murphy Martin, who operates a Public Relations Bureau in the City of Lufkin, discussed with the City the question of representing it and building up good will and advertising the City to the inhabitants. It was agreed to hire Mr. Murphy Martin on a temporary basis for two months at the price of \$50 per month for such work.
- 7. Judge J. T. Maroney appeared before the Commission, representing the Commissioners Court and suggested that the County might want all the area around the Court house heretofore conveyed to the City, and in the event it should develop that they could not recover all the land, then the County would want joint control of the parking area around the Court House. It was discussed by all parties and it was agreed that the City would cooperate with the County in all ways possible when the Court House was built; and in the building of the Court House, the City would especially cooperate with the County during the construction period.
- 8. Bids having been advertised for the purchase of a three-wheel motorcycle and Jennings Auto Supply having submitted the only bid, the city agreed to purchase a motorcycle with radio equipment installed for \$1941.40.

- 9. Commissioner Nerren was instructed to investigate the situation on Davis Street and to sell or either move the Adkins house on North First Street and then the City would extend Davis Street across the railroad to intersect North First Street. The extension of Davis Street through this location will give the Roundhouse employees of the Southern Pacific Railroad an entrance in and to the Roundhouse.
- 10. The Commission agreed to take out of the present water deposit account \$10,000 and deposit it with the Lufkin Federal Savings and Loan Association, whereby such sum would be drawing interest at the rate of 3%.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting adjourned.

Mayor

City of Lufkin

ATTEST:

City Secretary