

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY
COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS, HELD ON
MARCH 2, A. D. 1954, AT 7:30 P. M.

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

Woodrow Scott- - - - - - - - - -Mayor
Elwyn Gipson- - - - - - - - - - Com. Ward 1
Jack Nerren- - - - - - - - - -Com. Ward 2
W. F. Collins- - - - - - - - - -Com. Ward 3
L. C. Britain- - - - - - - - - -Com. Ward 4
C. E. Brazil- - - - - - - - - - City Attorney
E. A. Gibbs- - - - - - - - - -City Secretary

Absent:

None

1. The meeting was opened with prayer by Mayor Woodrow W. Scott, wherein Devine Guidance in the proceedings of the Commission was asked.

2. Minutes of the regular meeting held on February 16 were read and adopted.

3. Guy Croom appeared before the Commission on behalf of the Lufkin Foundry and suggested the installation of a traffic signal light on South Raguet Street controlling traffic of the foundry crossing said street. After discussing the matter, the Lufkin Foundry was authorized to install said traffic safety light on South Raguet Street without any cost to the City.

4. Motion was made and adopted to convey, for the sum of \$1, by quit-claim deed, to Geneva Brown and husband, a narrow strip of land on the North side of Kurth Drive between property owned by them and the right-of-way.

5. Doctors Dennis and Smith, Chiropractors, appeared before the Commission and asked for free parking tags just like were granted to the medical doctors. They claimed that since they were licensed practitioners under the laws of the State, there should be no discrimination between them and other doctors. The commission agreed to take the matter under advisement and let them know at an early future date.

6. There came on to be considered the application of Charlie Malone for two taxicab permits to operate taxicabs for the colored people of the City. Mr. Sumner Williams, attorney, appeared and protested the granting of such permits on behalf of the Yellow Cab Company and Fred Wilson, taxicab operator. The matter was postponed in order to give Charlie Malone an opportunity to submit further proof of the necessity for such taxicabs.

7. Mr. Parsons, of the Motorola Radio Equipment Company, presented to the Commission his recommendation for the installation for 2-way radios in certain units of the Fire Department. He was asked to submit a proposal for the equipment of 3 units and a base station of the Fire Department and to confer with Chief Leo Shotwell on the installation of same.

8. Mr. Etra Barrington appeared before the Commission and explained a group life insurance and hospitalization plan for all City employees. His proposal was submitted by the Provident Life and Accident Insurance Company, Chattanooga, Tennessee. Mr. Tom Flemming further explained the details of such insurance plan for City employees and the Commission, after discussing same, voted to put in force such health and accident insurance on its employees as well as the life insurance part of it. The policy consists of \$2000 life insurance for every employee of the City, and a hospitalization policy paying \$8 a day for room, \$160 for hospitalization ambulance, x-ray etc.; \$200 surgical fee and \$5000 polio insurance for employees and their dependants. The City agreed to pay \$4.18 for each employee and each employee is required to pay so much premium according to the number of dependants he has. *insured.*

9. An ordinance was passed calling for the City General Election to be held on April 6, 1954.

10. An ordinance was passed regulating the speed of trains through the City of Lufkin to a speed not to exceed 15 miles per hour from City Limits to City Limits.

11. It was agreed to close Clark Street from ~~Charlton~~ ^{3 28 st} to Homer Blvd. The City reserving utility easements along said street so closed.

12. It was voted by the City Commission to discontinue the 10% penalty on water bills if not paid by the designated date on said bill. And it was further voted to extend the time of payment of such water bills 10 days from the designated date of payment and if such bill was not paid then, the necessary steps would be taken by the City to cut off the water service.

There being no further business, the Commission adjourned.

W. W. Smith
Mayor, City of Lufkin, Texas

ATTEST:

E. A. Gibbs
City Secretary