

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY
COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS, HELD ON
APRIL 6, A. D. 1954, AT 7:30 P. M.

On this the 6th day of April, 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.

2. Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on March 2nd, 1954, were read and approved by the Commission.

3. Ned Shands appeared before the Commission in behalf of Charlie Malone's application for two taxicab permits. Also appeared a committee of representative colored citizens of the town in behalf of Charlie Malone. After hearing the discussion, the Commission voted unanimously to grant two additional taxicab permits to Charlie Malone.

4. Brack Gage appeared before the Commission in the interest of a rifle range near the Cunningham Lake on the property of the V. F. W.; such rifle range to be used by the local officers for target practice and the members of the V.F.W. on special occasions. It was voted to amend our ordinance so as to permit such rifle range provided same is properly protected and all dangers eliminated as far as possible.

5. Lynn Durham headed a committee from the Bonton Addition to secure an additional water supply for the people in his vicinity. He stated that there were approximately 70 houses on a 2 inch line and that such line was insufficient to furnish an adequate supply of water. After discussing the situation the Commission informed them that a proper investigation would be made and something definite would be given them at the next meeting of the Commission.

6. W. O. Ricks, Jr. appeared in behalf of the colored people of Carver Street, just off Keltys, wherein he requested water and sewer. It was agreed to run such sewer line approximately 300 ft. to accommodate these people.

7. Charles Ruth appeared before the Commission in the interest of water and sewer facilities on May Street in the City. He reported that the toilets were of the pit type and if possible he requested a check up on the water and sewer lines in that vicinity. He was advised that the City would look into the matter and be able to make a definite report by the first meeting in May.

7a. The election returns for the election held on April 6, 1954, were canvassed by the Commission, and Jack Nerren and L. C. Britain, were declared elected from Wards Numbers 2 and 4 respectively.

8. A committee appeared before the Commission represented by Curtis Carswell, and requested that Scarbrough Street be opened through to Sayers Street through the Claudie Sayers property. At the present time Scarbrough is a deadend street and the committee requested that such street be opened to Sayers whereby they would have an outlet at all times. They were told that Claudie Sayers would be contacted and the City would use every effort within its power to assist in the opening of such street.

9. Mr. O. E. McQueen, who holds a lease on the Municipal Airport, came before the Commission and discussed such lease. After submitting several propositions, it was agreed that Mr. McQueen might have the buildings on the airport to dispose of them in any way that he might deem proper; that he would be allowed to remain on the airport the remainder of this year but at that time he would vacate and surrender his lease. It was further agreed that he and the City Attorney would get together and work out such supplemental lease as might be proper, such lease to extend to the end of the present lease.

10. An ordinance was passed supplementing the Subdivision Ordinance requiring all maps and plats to be on paper 24 by 30 inches, whereby the recording and the photographing of same would be uniform in the office of the County Clerk.

11. The Commission adopted the policy on street hard surfacing and paving of streets that the property owners on each side of the street would pay 1/3 of the paving costs and the City would pay 1/3 of such paving costs.

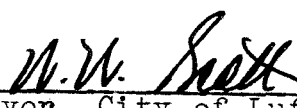
12. The State Municipal Retirement System was discussed after the City Secretary had received a letter relative to certain employees. After discussing same, the City Attorney was instructed to write to the Municipal Retirement Board in Austin and ask that they send a representative here to discuss in detail such Municipal Retirement System.

13. It was voted that Mr. A. K. Anderson would make a dozen concrete street markers to determine whether such type of markers were feasible and practical for marking the streets throughout the City.

14. The City abandoned and discontinued the parking privileges heretofore extended to physicians and ministers. It became apparent that such parking privilege was being abused in certain instances and that other professional groups were insisting on such special privileges and, in view of all of these things, the City Commission voted unanimously to discontinue such courtesies heretofore extended.


15. Radar warnings of tornados were discussed and the City agreed to pay 1/3 of the costs of such installation provided the County paid its 1/3 part and the industries located here would pay the other 1/3, and such radar warning equipment would be maned and handled by the State of Texas.

There being no further business, the Commission adjourned.



Mayor, City of Lukin, Texas

ATTEST:



City Secretary