

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE
CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS, HELD ON SEPT. 26, 1961, AT 7:30 PM

On this the 26th day of Sept., 1961, the City Commission of the City of Lufkin, Texas, convened in special session in regular meeting place in said City, with following members thereof, to-wit:

Jim Waters	Mayor
E. Kurl Shirey	Commissioner, Ward No. 1
Beamon S. Cook	Commissioner, Ward No. 2
S. Harry Kerr	Commissioner, Ward No. 3
A. G. Welch	Commissioner, Ward No. 4
Harold Schmitzer	City Manager
Lynn Durham	City Secretary
William D. Perkins	City Attorney

being present.

1. Meeting opened with prayer by Herman Brown, Manager of Angelina County Chamber of Commerce.
2. Mayor Jim Waters welcomed the following visitors:

Herman Brown	Ernest J. Hudgens
H. J. Shands	Jim G. Clarke
J. M. York	I. D. Tims
Allen W. Cockrell, Jr.	Inez Tims
Johnnie F. Medford	Lawrence Kirksey
Johnnie Childers	

3. Mayor Jim Waters stated this Special Meeting was being called for the purpose of considering and handling two emergency items as follows:
 - a. Appointment of City Health Officer. Mayor Jim Waters advised that he had received notice from the State of Texas Department of Health, Austin, Texas, that Dr. Robert Taylor's appointment to this position terminates September 30, 1961, and that it was necessary that this appointment again be made.

Mayor Waters stated that Dr. Taylor had been contacted and was willing to serve another term but felt that the City Commission might want to give consideration to another doctor for this new term.

Commissioner E. Kurl Shirey made motion that Dr. Robert Taylor be reappointed to the position of City Health Officer for the year beginning October 1, 1961. Commissioner Beamon S. Cook seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

- b. Procuring the right-of-way for widening of North Raguet from Abney Avenue north. Mayor Jim Waters called attention to the fact that State Highway Dept. was ready to start this work as soon as City had completed right-of-way procurement. He further stated that he realized any progressive undertaking of this nature would work a hardship on a few citizens and provisions would have to be made to rectify such hardships. However, it was his desire that the program should be carried out without delay.

David Walker, attorney, reported on his progress in procuring the right-of-way and stated that there were only 3 cases on which no progress had been made and which, no doubt, would require negotiations. These cases involve property of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Clarke, New Zion Baptist Church, and Mr. A. G. Welch. Mr. Walker was authorized by the City Commission to make every effort to negotiate these three cases and report back to the City Commission on his progress before any legal action might be taken by the City.

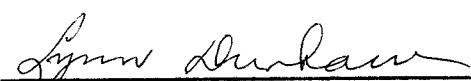
After considerable discussion between the City Commission members, City Attorney, and the visitors present, motion was made by Commissioner Beamon S. Cook that ordinance, which was read by the City Attorney, be approved on first and final reading by suspension of the rules authorizing the City Attorney to take necessary legal action by not later than October 12, 1961, to procure this right-of-way. Commissioner S. Harry Kerr seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

4. There being no further business for consideration, meeting was adjourned at 8:45 P.M.



Mayor - City of Lufkin, Texas

ATTEST:



City Secretary - City of Lufkin, Texas