

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LUFKIN, TEXAS HELD ON THE 10<sup>TH</sup>, DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2013.**

On the 10<sup>TH</sup>, day of September, 2013, the City Council of the City of Lufkin, Texas convened in a Special Called Meeting in the Council Chambers of City Hall with the following members, thereof to wit:

Bob Brown	Mayor
Lynn Torres	Mayor Pro-Tem
Victor Travis	Councilmember, Ward No. 1
Robert Shankle	Councilmember, Ward No. 2
Don Langston	Councilmember, Ward No. 4
Rufus Duncan	Councilmember, Ward No. 5
Sarah Murray	Councilmember, Ward No. 6
Paul L. Parker	City Manager
Bruce Green	City Attorney
Kara Atwood	City Secretary
Scott Marcotte	Police Chief
Steve Floyd	Public Works Director
Chuck Walker	Public Utilities Director
Rodney Ivy	Human Resources Director
Belinda Southern	Finance Director

being present; and

Keith Wright	Deputy City Manager
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being absent when the following business was transacted.

1. The meeting was opened with prayer by Councilmember Victor Travis.
2. Mayor Bob Brown welcomed visitors present.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**3. PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013-2014**

Mayor Bob Brown stated that Item No. 3 was to conduct a Public Hearing on the Proposed Tax Rate for Fiscal Year 2013 – 2014.

City Manager Paul Parker stated the City's present tax rate was 0.5038 per \$100 valuation and was divided into two portions; with 0.3338 being designated for maintenance and operations, and 0.1700 for debt retirement. City Manager Parker furthered that the tax rate in the proposed in the 2013-2014 Annual Budget was 0.5038 or the existing tax rate and will also consist of 0.3338 for maintenance and operations and 0.1700 for debt retirement. City Manager Parker stated the effective tax rate was 0.502078; therefore, the proposed tax rate was approximately 0.0017 above the effective tax rate. City Manager Parker concluded that Staff recommended City Council conduct the required Public Hearing regarding the proposed tax rate for Fiscal Year 2013-2014.

Mayor Brown opened the Public Hearing at 12:02 p.m. and asked anyone who wished to speak to please step forward. There being no one who wished to speak, Mayor Brown closed the Public Hearing.

No action was required for this item.

**4. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mayor Bob Brown recessed into Executive Session at 12:03 p.m. Mayor Brown reconvened Regular Session at 12:30 p.m.

5. There being no further business for consideration, the meeting adjourned at 12:31 p.m.



Bob F. Brown, Mayor



Kara Atwood, City Secretary

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