

**City of Scranton**  
**Minutes for the Meeting  
of the Governing Body  
Tuesday August 19, 2008**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Burkdoll at 7:01 p.m.

In attendance were councilmen; Eddie Lester, David Barnes, Larry Hulsopple, Jack Mayfield and Ken Croucher, Employees Bobi Morris and Mark Knowles, Citizens Betsy & Keith Crispin, Tom Carnes, Rodger & Rhonda Franks, Ethan Kahle, Jennifer Burkdoll, Jeanne Johnson, Dennis Cowley and Tina Weinkauff.

A motion was made by Councilman Lester to approve the minutes for the 2009 Budget Hearing on August 5, 2008 as written. Motion was second by Councilman Barnes. Motion carried 4 – 1. (Mayfield)

A motion was made by Councilman Croucher to approve the minutes for the regular scheduled meeting on August 5, 2008 as written. Motion was second by Councilman Mayfield. Motion carried 5 – 0

**Old Business;** Mark Knowles informed the council about a \$250.00 donation made by Wal Mart for the emergency siren and a promise of more. EMC Insurance will only cover up to \$4500.00 for the lightening damage to the siren.

Mayor Burkdoll instructed the clerk to contact Jim Jones about attending the next meeting.

Councilman Barnes made a motion at 7:09 p.m. to go into a twenty-minute executive session to discuss a non-elected personnel issue. Motion was second by Councilman Hulsopple. Carried 5 – 0. Council returned to regular session at 7:29 p.m.

Councilman Lester made a motion to accept the mayor's recommendation to appoint Todd Luckman and STUMBO HANSON Law Firm as the city's legal counsel for \$125.00 per hour plus expenses. Motion was second by Councilman Mayfield. Carried 5 – 0

**New Business;** Councilman Croucher made a motion to adopt ordinance No. 599 authorizing the withdrawal of the city membership from KMEA. Motion was second by Councilman Mayfield. Carried 4 – 1 (Lester)

Tom Carnes discussed city ordinance violations with the council. Mark Knowles stated that the issue was addressed and there were no violations. Mr. Carnes disagrees.

After discussing the NIMS compliance it was decided to ask Sheila Dale to attend the next council meeting.

Councilman Mayfield made a motion at 7:47 p.m. to go in to a fifteen-minute executive session to discuss non-elected personnel issue. Motion was second by Councilman Lester. Carried 5 – 0. Council returned to regular session at 8:02 p.m.

Councilman Mayfield made a motion to fire Mark Knowles. Motion was second by Councilman Croucher. Motion failed 2 – 3 (Lester, Barnes, Hulsopple)

Councilman Mayfield made a motion to not allow the police cars to leave the city limits. Motion was second by Councilman Croucher. Motion failed 2 – 3 (Lester, Barnes, Hulsopple)

Councilman Croucher made a motion to approve ordinances 33 & 34 allowing payment of the city debts and payroll. Motion was second by Councilman Mayfield. Carried 5 – 0

Councilman Mayfield made a motion to adjourn the regular scheduled meeting at 8:10 p.m. Motion was seconded by Councilman Lester. Motion carried 5 – 0

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**Bobi Morris**  
**City Clerk**

**Approved Sept. 2, 2008**