

**MINUTES OF THE MORRILTON CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 14, 2020  
6:00 P.M.**

**\*Public hearing to address affixing liens for property clean-up cost:**

<u>Property Address</u>	<u>Owner</u>	<u>Lien Amount (Plus Penalty)</u>
605 Lee Drive	Joshua Bell	\$192.50
409 N. Oak St.	J.A. Hawkins c/o Mark Clark	\$165.00
403 Roosevelt Circle	James Ethridge	\$165.00
906 N. West St.	Kaja Holdings 2, LLC	\$165.00

**\*Public hearing regarding the Landfill bond for the purchase of new equipment. Ryan Bowman with Friday, Eldredge and Clark and Leigh Ann Biernat with Stephens were in attendance to answer questions.**

**No one was in attendance to challenge or address these issues. The public hearings were adjourned by the Mayor.**

Mayor Lipsmeyer called the regular City Council meeting to order at the Rialto. Pastor Larry Miller of the Morrilton Christian Center offered the prayer, after which the Pledge of Allegiance was repeated in unison. A roll call was taken with seven (7) Council Members answering “present.” Council Member Wiedower was absent. A quorum was established and the meeting was open for business.

A motion was made by Council Member Andrews and seconded by Council Member Spivey to approve the minutes from the regular City Council meeting held August 10, 2020. Motion passed unanimously by a voice vote of “yes” from all Council Members present.

The Mayor acknowledged visitors then asked if anyone not on the agenda wished to address the council. No one came forward.

The Mayor asked for reports from City Council Committees. Council Member Andrews gave the Fire Department and Fire Inspector’s report in Council Member Wiedower’s absence. City Inspector Greg Woodard gave the report on Planning & Zoning issues and gave updates about ongoing projects around the City. Park & Rec Director Hanna Jones gave the Park & Rec. report. Council Member Hoelzeman gave the Street report. Council Member Wilson gave the Landfill report. Council Member Spivey gave the Police report. Council Member Bowles gave the Wastewater report which included a report from Crow Group regarding the new sewer system project. Council Member Hill reported on the sales tax and the City’s financial position as per the Treasurer’s Report. Mayor Lipsmeyer then gave his report which included updates on the projects and activities going on around the City.

The Mayor asked for old or unfinished business.

An ordinance was presented and read by the City Attorney to rezone the incorporated property within the municipal boundaries on Dillon Drive from AR to R-1. A motion was made by Council Member Andrews and seconded by Council Member Spivey to place the ordinance on the second reading. A roll call was taken with all Council Members present voting "yes." Motion passed. The third and final reading will take place at the October City Council meeting.

The Mayor then asked for new business.

An ordinance was presented and read by the City Attorney authorizing the issuance and sale of solid waste refunding and improvement revenue bonds, providing for the payment of the principal of and interest on the bonds and prescribing other matters relating thereto. (Landfill Bond) Ryan Bowman with Friday, Eldredge and Clark addressed the council. A motion was made by Council Member Spivey and seconded by Council Member Wilson to place the ordinance on the first reading. A roll call was taken with all Council Members present voting "yes." Motion passed. A motion was made by Council Member Spivey and seconded by Council Member Wilson to suspend the rule and place the ordinance on the second reading. A roll call was taken with all Council Members present voting "yes." Motion passed. A motion was made by Council Member Spivey and seconded by Council Member Wilson to place the ordinance on the third and final reading with an emergency clause for passage at tonight's meeting. A roll call was taken with all Council Members present voting "yes." A motion was made by Council Member Spivey and seconded by Council Member Wilson to adopt the ordinance. A roll call was taken with all Council Members present voting "yes." A motion was made by Council Member Spivey and seconded by Council Member Wilson for an added emergency clause for passage at tonight's meeting per Ryan Bowman with Friday, Eldredge and Clark. A roll call was taken with all Council Members present voting "yes." Motion passed. Ordinance No. 18 of 2020 was passed.

City Clerk/Treasurer Sherry Montgomery asked for Council authorization to destroy old records. Certain records only have to be kept a certain amount of years due to retention laws; therefore, records outside that time frame can be destroyed. There was some discussion. A list of the documents to be destroyed was uploaded to the drop box. A motion was made by Council Member Andrews and seconded by Council Member Spivey to destroy the records. Motion passed with a voice vote of "yes" from all Council Members present.

The City Attorney presented and read an ordinance to levy the City's portion of 2020 taxes collected in 2021. A motion was made by Council Member Bowles and seconded by Council Member Spivey to place the ordinance on the first reading. A roll call was taken with all Council Members present voting "yes." Motion passed. A motion was made by Council Member Bowles and seconded by Council Member Spivey to suspend the rule and place the ordinance on the second reading. A roll call was taken with all Council Members present voting "yes."

Motion passed. A motion was made by Council Member Bowles and seconded by Council Member Spivey to place the ordinance on the third and final reading with an emergency clause for passage at tonight's meeting. A roll call was taken with all Council Members present voting "yes" to the motion. Motion passed. Ordinance No. 19 of 2020 was passed.

Police Chief Sonny Stover addressed the council regarding the hiring of an additional police officer. There was some discussion about the need for another officer. A motion was made by Council Member Spivey and seconded by Council Member Andrews to accept the recommendation from the police committee and hire an additional police officer. A roll call was taken with six (6) Council Members present voting "yes." Council Member Hoelzeman voted "no." Motion passed.

An ordinance was presented and read by the City Attorney waiving the bidding process for the purchase of a 2021 Mack GR64F dump truck for the Landfill. A motion was made by Council Member Spivey and seconded by Council Member Andrews to place the ordinance on the first reading. A roll call was taken with all Council Members present voting "yes." Motion passed. A motion was made by Council Member Spivey and seconded by Council Member Andrews to suspend the rule and place the ordinance on the second reading. A roll call was taken with all Council Members present voting "yes." Motion passed. A motion was made by Council Member Spivey and seconded by Council Member Andrews to place the ordinance on the third and final reading with an emergency clause for passage at tonight's meeting. A roll call was taken with all Council Members present voting "yes." Motion passed. Ordinance No. 20 of 2020 was passed.

A resolution was presented and read by the City Attorney affixing liens on properties listed:

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A motion was made by Council Member Andrews and seconded by Council Member Wilson to pass the resolution. Motion passed with a voice vote of "yes" from all Council Members present. Resolution No. 19 of 2020 was passed.

There being no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Council Member Bowles and seconded by Council Member Andrews to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously with a voice vote of "yes" from all Council Members present.

Meeting adjourned.

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Sherry Montgomery, City Clerk/Treasurer

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Allen Lipsmeyer, Mayor

