

**MINUTES OF THE MORRILTON CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
JULY 13, 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>
708 N. Alston	Eric Thompson	\$165.00
201 S. Bridge St.	Guta Lands USA	\$165.00
1115 S. Bridge St.	Lewis Simmons, Jr.	\$220.00
E. Higgins St.-Parcel #006-01781-000	Carysfort Reef LLC	\$165.00
409 N. Oak St.	J.A. Hawkins c/o Mark Clark	\$165.00
502 Old Cherokee Rd	Cecilio Sanchez c/o Rosalinda B. Velez	\$165.00

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

Mayor Lipsmeyer called the regular City Council meeting to order at the Rialto. Pastor Brandon Williams of Trinity Baptist Church offered the prayer, after which the Pledge of Allegiance was repeated in unison. A roll call was taken with eight (8) Council Members answering "present." A quorum was established and the meeting was open for business.

A motion was made by Council Member Hoelzeman and seconded by Council Member Spivey to approve the minutes from the regular City Council meeting held June 8, 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 Wiedower gave the Fire Department and Fire Inspector's report. 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. 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. There was none.

The Mayor then asked for new business.

A resolution was presented and read by the City Attorney authorizing the use of Arkansas Fire and Police Board Rule #4. This is to request a benefit increase for Firemen's Pension retirees utilizing the alternate cash flow projection valuation method. A motion was made by Council Member Koch and seconded by Council Member Bowles. A roll call was taken with all Council Members present voting "yes." Motion passed. Resolution No. 15 of 2020 was passed.

An ordinance was read by the City Attorney doing business with Mayor Allen Lipsmeyer as owner of Bake Me A Cake Bakery and Lipsmeyer Cleaners. A motion was made by Council Member Andrews and seconded by Council Member Hoelzeman 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 Andrews 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." Motion passed. Ordinance No. 11 of 2020 was passed.

A resolution was presented and read by the City Attorney condemning the property owned by Bobby Jean Moore located at 2 S. Circle Drive and Minus Kindle located at 302 S. Second Street. A motion was made by Council Member Bowles and seconded by Council Member Andrews to pass the resolution. Motion passed with a voice vote of "yes" from all Council Members present. Resolution No. 16 of 2020 was passed.

The Mayor asked for Council approval for Josh Foshee to use the catastrophic leave bank. A motion was made by Council Member Bowles and seconded by Council Member Wilson. Motion passed with a voice vote of "yes" from all Council Members present.

An ordinance was presented and read by the City Attorney waiving the bidding for six (6) self-contained breathing apparatus' for the Fire Dept. Fire Chief Earle Eichenberger addressed the council. 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." Motion passed. Ordinance No. 12 of 2020 was passed.

An ordinance was presented and read by the City Attorney to re-zone property located at 402 E. Harding Street from B-3 to B-4. City Inspector Greg Woodard addressed the council. 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. 13 of 2020 was passed.

An ordinance was read by the City Attorney regarding the use of masks in relation to the COVID-19 pandemic. Arkansas Municipal League sent cities a sample ordinance "requiring" the use of masks and a sample resolution "encouraging" the use of masks with the suggestion that the city pass one. There was some discussion. 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 seven (7) Council Members present voting "yes." Council Member Koch voted "no." Motion passed. A motion was made by Council Member Spivey and seconded by Council Member Hill to suspend the rule and place the ordinance on the second reading. A roll call was taken with seven (7) Council Members present voting "yes." Council Member Koch voted "no." Motion passed. A motion was made by Council Member Spivey and seconded by Council Member Hill 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 seven (7) Council Members present voting "yes." Council Member Koch voted "no." Motion passed. Ordinance No. 14 of 2020 was passed.

Since the ordinance regarding the use of masks in relation to the COVID-19 pandemic passed, there was no need for the resolution listed on the agenda.

An ordinance was presented and read by the City Attorney amending ordinance no. 22 of 2014 which addresses animal and fowl ownership within the city. A motion was made by Council Member Bowles 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 Bowles 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 Bowles 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. 15 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 Bowles to pass the resolution. Motion passed with a voice vote of “yes” from all Council Members present. Resolution No. 17 of 2020 was passed.

A motion was made by Council Member Bowles and seconded by Council Member Wilson to add the resolution amending the 2019 budget to the agenda. Motion passed with a voice vote of “yes” from all Council Members present.

A resolution was presented and read by the City Attorney amending the 2019 budget. A motion was made by Council Member Bowles and seconded by Council Member Andrews to pass the resolution. Motion passed with a voice vote of “yes” from all Council Members present. Resolution No. 18 of 2020 was passed.

There being no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Council Member Andrews and seconded by Council Member Spivey 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