

MINUTES OF THE MORRILTON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 10, 2019
6:00P.M.

Mayor Lipsmeyer called the regular City Council meeting to order. Harding Street Church of Christ Minister, Mickey Burleson, 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 Spivey was absent. A quorum was established and the meeting was open for business.

A motion was made by Council Member Payne and seconded by Council Member Hoelzeman to approve the minutes from the regular City Council meeting held May 13, 2019. 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 Knapp 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 an update on the Community Center and Parks activities. Council Member Hoelzeman gave the Street report. Council Member Hill gave the Police report in the absence of Council Member Spivey. Council Member Payne gave the Landfill report. Council Member Hill reported on the sales tax and the City's financial position as per the Treasurer's Report. Council Member Bowles gave the Tech 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.

Airport Commission chairman Keith Linn updated the council on the Airport. He gave council members copies of a rough draft of the airport expansion plan and he reported that the airport received a \$219,000.00 grant to be used towards extending the runway. He said that the airport was not directly affected by the recent Arkansas River flooding, but it received 25 airplanes from the Conway airport. The airport purchased 25 tiedowns for \$4200.00 in order to store the extra planes. That cost will be covered by a state grant.

Attorney Mark Mobley spoke to the council on behalf of Las Cabos Mexican Grill regarding their appeal of the denial of the conditional use permit by the Planning Commission. He stated that he had just been hired and requested we table the discussion so he could get everything done and then reconvene. There was discussion about the City's expense of having to notify everyone again about the new meeting. It was also stated that this had been going on for too long because Los Cabos doesn't follow through and do what they're supposed to do. There were several people in attendance due to this issue. Council Member Gary Koch made a motion we approve the Planning and Zoning recommendation which was denied due to the failure of a second vote. Council Member Andrews seconded the motion. A roll call was taken with all Council Members present voting "yes" to the motion except Council Member Hoelzeman, who voted "no." Motion passed.

An ordinance was presented and read by the City Attorney to rezone property owned by Mary Gisele Sullivan located at 199 N. Cedar Street from B-3 to R-2. A motion was made by Council Member Hill and seconded by Council Member Andrews to pass the ordinance. 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 Payne 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 Payne 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. 8 of 2019 was passed.

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

Meeting adjourned.

Sherry Montgomery, City Clerk/Treasurer

Allen Lipsmeyer, Mayor