

MINUTES OF THE MORRILTON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MAY 18, 2020
6:00P.M.

***Public Hearing to address affixing lien for property clean-up cost:**

<u>Property Address</u>	<u>Owner</u>	<u>Lien Amount (Plus Penalty)</u>
509 W. Church St.	Wolverton Mtn Ventures LLC	\$165.00
705 E. Commerce St.	Hazel Williams/Charles Pack	\$165.00
Howard Street	Z&T Properties LLC	\$165.00
500 Oaklawn Dr.	James Lowery	\$192.50

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. Pastor Marc Wilson of New Jerusalem Baptist Church in Pine Bluff 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.” A quorum was established and the meeting was open for business.

A motion was made by Council Member Andrews and seconded by Council Member Bowles to approve the minutes from the regular City Council meeting held March 9, 2020. Motion passed unanimously by a voice vote of “yes” from all Council Members present. The City Council did not convene in April due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

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. Mayor Lipsmeyer gave the Landfill report. Council Member Spivey gave the Police report. Council Member Bowles gave the Wastewater and technology reports. 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.

An ordinance was presented and read by the City Attorney providing a one-time fee upon Arkansas Electric Cooperative Corporation for carrying on business in the city. A motion was made by Council Member Andrews 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 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 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. 4 of 2020 was passed.

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

A resolution was presented and read by the City Attorney appointing Jasmine Wilson to the position of Council Member for Ward 3, Position 1 to fill the unexpired term, ending December 31, 2020, created by the passing of John Payne. Her term will become effective June 1, 2020. A motion was made by Council Member Spivey and seconded by Council Member Hill to pass the resolution. Motion passed with a voice vote of "yes" from all Council Members present. Resolution No. 8 of 2020 was passed.

A resolution was presented and read by the City Attorney declaring the official intent for the reimbursement of expenditures from the proceeds of the bonds for the sewer system improvements. 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. 9 of 2020 was passed.

The Mayor asked for Council approval for the Landfill to sell a 2008 dozer through GovDeals.com. A motion was made by Council Member Hoelzeman and seconded by Council Member Spivey. Motion passed with a voice vote of "yes" from all Council Members present.

An ordinance was presented and read by the City Attorney to purchase certain real property from Landfill employee, William Vint. A motion was made by Council Member Spivey and seconded by Council Member Hill 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 Hill 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 Koch 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. 5 of 2020 was passed.

A resolution was presented and read by the City Attorney seeking grant assistance for an apron and taxiway rehabilitation at the Morrilton Municipal Airport. A motion was made by Council Member Koch and seconded by Council Member Spivey to pass the resolution. Motion passed with a voice vote of “yes” from all Council Members present. Resolution No. 10 of 2020 was passed.

The Mayor asked for Council approval to remove certain fixed assets from the city’s fixed asset list that are no longer in use or have been disposed. The list was provided to each Council Member and the Mayor. (copy attached) A motion was made by Council Member Koch and seconded by Council Member Spivey. Motion passed with a voice vote of “yes” from all Council Members present.

Fire Chief Earle Eichenberger asked for council approval to advertise for bids for six (6) self-contained breathing apparatus’. A motion was made by Council Member Koch and seconded by Council Member Bowles. Motion passed with a voice vote of “yes” from all Council Members present.

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 Bowles and seconded by Council Member Spivey to pass the resolution. Motion passed with a voice vote of “yes” from all Council Members present. Resolution No. 11 of 2020 was passed.

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