

MINUTES OF THE MORRILTON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 18, 2019
6:00P.M.

Mayor Lipsmeyer called the regular City Council meeting to order. Pastor Gordon Warren of Trinity Cumberland Presbyterian Church 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 Payne 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 October 21, 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. Council Member Koch gave the Park & Rec. report. Council Member Hoelzeman gave the Street report. Council Member Spivey gave the Landfill report in absence of Council Member Payne. 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.

Mayor Lipsmeyer reported that the City of Morrilton 2018 Audit was presented to the Standing Committee on Counties and Municipalities of the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee for its review on September 12th. The council has reviewed the audit and all of our offices were in substantial compliance with Arkansas fiscal and financial laws.

The Mayor presented the council with the proposed 2020 budget. A budget meeting was scheduled after the council meeting for discussion.

The Mayor presented the council with the recommended low bid from Curb Time Solutions, LLC of Dardanelle in the amount of \$354,860.17 for the Harding Street sidewalk project, which will construct a sidewalk from Morrilton High School to McDonald's with an extension to the Dollar Tree on University Blvd. The City received six bids. After reviewing the bids, Civil Engineering Associates recommended that the City reject the low bid amount of \$274,323.47 submitted by Ford Engineering, Inc. of Russellville due to a bidding error. A motion was made by Council Member Andrews and seconded by Council Member Bowles to accept the bid. Motion passed with a voice vote of "yes" from all Council Members present.

An ordinance was presented and read by the City Attorney to rezone property owned by Joyce Congine, located in the Irving Addition, from B-3 to B-1. A motion was made by Council Member Koch 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. The second reading will take place at the December City Council meeting.

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.

Sherry Montgomery, City Clerk/Treasurer

Allen Lipsmeyer, Mayor