

**REGULAR MEETING  
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NASHVILLE  
COUNTY OF BERRIEN  
JULY 27, 2015  
6:00 P.M.**

**INVOCATION:** Mayor Travis Harper

**PLEDGE:** Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Travis Harper

**WELCOME:** Mayor Travis Harper

**ROLL CALL:** Members of the City Council present included Mayor Travis Harper, Aldermen Scott Stalnaker, Billy Retterbush, Eric Gaither, Antonio Carter, Walt Steward and Alderwoman Mellisa Watson.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Mandy Luke, Jackie Jordan, Dawn Morrison, Ben Murray, John Reynolds and Mitchell Moore.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** John Hunkele, Allen Davis, Bryan Shaw and Kyle Pearson.

**ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS** – Billy Retterbush made the motion to adopt the minutes from the previous meetings. Eric Gaither seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

**ADOPTION OF FORMAL AGENDA** – Scott Stalnaker made the motion to adopt the formal agenda with the addition of discussion of moving old equipment and vehicles to surplus. Mellisa Watson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. **Adoption of FY 2015-2016 Budget – Mandy Luke** – Mandy stated everyone had been in agreement about the new budget presented in the work session and public hearing further stating it was available for review at City Hall and on the website and was advertised. Scott Stalnaker made a motion to approve the adoption of the FY 2015-2016 Budget. Antonio Carter seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.
2. **Approve the Resolution Authorizing Execution of Contracts by Nashville Municipal Court Judge with Corporations, Enterprises or Agencies to Provide Probation**

**Supervision, Supervision, Counseling, Collection Services and Other Probation Services - Mitchell Moore** –Billy Retterbush made a motion to approve the Resolution. Eric Gaither seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

3. **Gas Line Project and Bridge Loan/REDLG loan – Mitchell Moore** – Mitchell stated the REDLG loan has not been funded further stating it was submitted in November 2014 but was not submitted for funding until the May packages and the money had run out for the REDLG program for the 2015 fiscal year. He said the new 2016 fiscal year begins October 1<sup>st</sup> but then it won't be available until the budget has been appropriated by Congress. He said the application has been submitted and we are in line but as far as EDA and the 60% grant, they are not contingent upon the REDLG loan but if we don't use it, we lose it. Mitchell said he talked with Kim Hobbs last week and Tonia Hendricks today and she has submitted everything that Milton Cochran with EDA needs for his consideration except the award or letter of recommendation from our engineer, which was discussed at the last meeting where a motion was made that subject to Mitchell confirming something on REDLG that he could go forward with that letter but we don't have REDLG so now, they need to decide whether to go forward with this program without a commitment of REDLG even though there is an application. Mayor Harper asked if we have a commitment from DPP. Mitchell said we have a signed contract from DPP to cover the debt service including a bridge loan if necessary until we get funded from REDLG. Mitchell further stated, we would have to consult with our lenders and have it lined up if we need it because the way the EDA works is it is a reimbursement grant and the first draw would not be until the City is 25% complete then submit the invoices, payments made & the EDA would review them for approval which may take 3-4 weeks to get reimbursement and then it will only be 60% since this is a 60% grant from EDA. Mitchell stated there has been full disclosure of the debt service, DPP has agreed to pay the debt service and has signed the agreement including interest on the bridge loan. Mitchell and the Council further discussed details of the bridge loan and the gas line project. Scott Stalnaker made a motion to approve the Engineer's recommendation of Little River. Antonio Carter seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. Antonio Carter made a motion to authorize the City Manager, Mandy Luke, to determine the source of funding methods for the 40%. Eric Gaither seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. Scott Stalnaker made a motion to enter into an agreement with DPP on the Gas Line Project. Mellisa Watson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. Mitchell next brought up the subject of the tennis courts stating a deed has been located that the City does in fact own the tennis courts and he has sent a copy to Mrs. Brenda Ferrell with the County referring to a lease agreement. Mitchell stated he had been contacted by a construction engineer concerning one of the down town structures, the McLamb building, that he was contacted by someone on behalf of the owner, rather than the owner, in reference to correspondence recently sent to the owner.
4. **Surplus Equipment – Scott Stalnaker** – Scott stated there is some old equipment and vehicles that are not being used and wants to see about giving Mandy the approval to

declare them. Billy Retterbush mentioned the GovDeals.com website. Mayor Harper said we need to get a list gathered of the items.

## **REPORTS**

5. **City Manager's/Finance Director's Report** – None.
6. **City Attorney's Report** – None.
7. **Department Head's** – Dawn made a comment regarding the gas line project stating DPP's product is sold before it is produced, the business is in very good standing and it will create more jobs once the gas line is in place.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

John Hunkele commented on the Chaparral Water Line Project letting the Council know it was going well.

## **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Mellisa Watson commended Dawn Morrison and Crissy Staley on their unique ways of promoting local shopping. Mayor Harper asked if the trees around the square had been trimmed to which Dawn confirmed they had been.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to conduct, Scott Stalnaker made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:35 p.m. Billy Retterbush seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

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Mayor Travis Harper

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Alderman Eric Gaither

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Alderwoman Mellisa Watson

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Alderman Antonio Carter

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Alderman Billy Retterbush

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Alderman Scott Stalaker

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Alderman Walter Steward

**ATTEST:**

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Jackie Jordan, City Clerk