# REGULAR MEETING CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NASHVILLE COUNTY OF BERRIEN MARCH 10, 2014 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 Antonio Carter, Scott Stalnaker, Eric Gaither, Billy Retterbush, and Alderwoman Mellisa Watson.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Mandy Luke, Tina Ward, Randy Lane, John Reynolds, Peter Schultz, Chief Chuck Edwards, Paul Stagner, and Mitchell Moore.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Bryan Shaw, Pearlene Daniels, Allen Davis, and Mark Gaither.

**ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING-** Mitchell Moore wanted to clarify something in the public comments at the last meeting. The City cannot do anything to the property at 1407 Azalea Way because it is not under foreclosure. The City can however contact the lender. Alderman Stalnaker made the motion to adopt the minutes from the previous meeting. Alderman Gaither seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

**ADOPTIONS OF FORMAL AGENDA-** Alderwoman Watson made the motion to adopt the formal agenda. Alderman Carter seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Update on Disc Golf- Mark Gaither thanked the Council for allowing the Disc Golf Tournament to be held on December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2013 at Memorial Park. He handed out a copy of the Berrien Press with the article about the tournament. They welcomed forty nine participants including seven professional disc golf players. A majority of the players were not Berrien County residence but they hope in the future the Council will allow them to put in a permanent course so they can draw many more people to Berrien County. Mayor Harper told Mark that the Council has not discussed a permanent course recently. We will discuss the request after the LOST litigation is settled.

**2. GMA Training in April-** Mayor Harper stated he and Alderman Carter will forego this training until next year.

#### REPORTS

- 7. City Manager's/Finance Director's Report- None
- 8. City Attorney's Report- Mitchell Moore presented the group with a memorandum of understanding that has been signed by the Downtown Development Authority. The Memorandum of Understanding was adopted by the DDA which ratifies everything the City has done concerning the BILO arrangement. Mitchell also presented the lease agreement between the City of Nashville and BILO. Mitchell stated the first, second, and third pages of the lease agreement would be substituted with his revisions. Alderman Stalnaker made the motion to authorize Mayor Harper to sign the lease agreement. Alderman Carter seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. Mitchell also presented a Resolution approving the supplemental contract for the Gas Portfolio IV Project between the City and the Municipal Gas Authority authorizing the performance of the supplemental contract for the Gas Portfolio IV Project, and for other purposes. Mitchell said they are extending the timeline from December 2015 to December 2025. The Mayor needs to sign the supplemental contract once the Resolution is adopted which authorizes the supplemental contract. Alderman Stalnaker made the motion authorizing the Mayor to sign the Resolution and the supplemental contract. Alderman Retterbush seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. Peter Schultz informed the group that Eric Groom will be here tomorrow so we can get an actual time on when we can get that allocation and how much time we have. Mitchell also updated the group on the bridge loan for the downtown building at 107 South Davis Street. Randy spoke to one bank and before we disclose any terms the Council needs to decide if they want to bid this out. Mitchell did tell them that in general term this bank made a commitment and quote to one rate for two years and a slightly higher rate for three years. Alderman Stalnaker and Mayor Harper stated the City should make the decision to go with the bank that gave the commitment and quotes because of the time line and this bank history with the City. Alderman Stalnaker and Alderman Retterbush wanted to go on the record and state their spouses are employed for one of the local banks in the City, but either of them will not gain anything if the Council chooses their particular bank or place of employment. Alderman Gaither made the motion to move forward and proceed with the recommendation of the Assistant City Manager. Alderman Carter seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. Mitchell also informed the group the litigation is preceding and he will keep the Council updated.
- **9. Department Head's Report-** Paul Stagner told the Council in April Microsoft Windows XP is no longer going to be supported due to security reasons. Paul said Microsoft stated they are not going to do anymore update's for Windows XP. The City needs to replace four crucial computers. He gave the quotes he received from Best Buy which was \$5,700.00 and Brad McCall from Spectra Computing which was \$5,900.00. He added if Council chooses Best Buy we will have to set it up and call in Brad McCall the City's IT person to finish the installation. If we go with Spectra Computing the quote includes the setup and the installation. Alderwoman

Watson asked Paul if he got a quote from Computer design and he said no. Paul also stated we received an email from Farmers and Merchants bank stating that in April they will no longer be able to complete any on-line transactions if we are still using Windows XP such as any bills paid on-line. Mandy added the City's bank drafts for utility bills are done each month with Farmers and Merchants bank. Alderman Stalnaker made the motion to go with Spectra Computing at \$5,900.00. Alderman Retterbush seconded the motion and the motion carried four to one with Alderwoman Watson voting no until we get another quote from Computer Design. Randy Lane updated the group on the renovations on the building down town. He also updated the group on Beetree Park. He said Mr. Culpeper will be here tomorrow to start working on the prep work for paving the track. They have installed bleachers and the barbeque grill will be here tomorrow. Mr. Morris will be completing the landscaping once all the other stuff is completed.

# PUBLIC COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC/COUNCIL

Pearlene Daniels asked when the Park would be completed. She would like to have an egg hunt in Beetree Park if it is completed in time. Randy said the work should not take more than a week to complete. Bryan Shaw stated he will be working with Randy on the COA for the BILO building. He also stated he will be working with BILO on the COA for their signage. Alderman Stalnaker thanked all the City Employees for all the hard work they do for the City. Alderwoman Watson asked Mitchell about the Chaparral project. Mitchell said we are still waiting to hear something back from the application for the grant. Alderman Gaither asked if someone can look into cutting back a bamboo tree that is hanging in the road way off of Lucille Ave. Alderman Carter asked someone to look into getting some cars moved that are parked in the road way at the garage located on Marion near the Dollar General store. Alderman Retterbush asked Randy Lane if Mr. Henry checked on the streetlight for the road beside the hospital. Randy said yes he did and they are going to swing the street light around.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

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

Mayor Travis Harper	
Alderman Eric Gaither	Alderwoman Mellisa Watson
Alderman Antonio Carter	Alderman Billy Retterbush
Alderman Scott Stalnaker	Alderman Walter Steward
ATTEST	
Tina Ward, City Clerk	