

**REGULAR MEETING  
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NASHVILLE  
COUNTY OF BERRIEN  
APRIL 14, 2014  
6:00 P.M.**

**INVOCATION:** Mayor Pro-Tem Billy Retterbush

**PLEDGE:** Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Pro-Tem Billy Retterbush

**WELCOME:** Mayor Pro-Tem Billy Retterbush

**ROLL CALL:** Members of the City Council present included Mayor Travis Harper, Aldermen Antonio Carter, Scott Stalnaker, Eric Gaither, and Mayor Pro-Tem Billy Retterbush.

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

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Bryan Shaw, Allen Davis, and Margie Tygart

**ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING-** Alderman Carter made the motion to adopt the minutes from the previous meeting. Alderman Stalnaker seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

**ADOPTIONS OF FORMAL AGENDA-** Alderman Gaither made the motion to adopt the formal agenda adding an Executive Session. Alderman Retterbush seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**1. Application for Beer & Wine license for Harvey's-** Samson Merger Sub, LLC d/b/a Harvey's Supermarket #1602 applied for a beer and wine license. A criminal history was completed with no records found and all fees were paid. Alderman Retterbush made the motion to approve the application for beer and wine license. Alderman Gaither seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

**REPORTS**

**2. City Manager's/Finance Director's Report-** None

**3. City Attorney's Report-** Mitchell Moore updated everyone on the BILO building. Everything is on track and even with all the additions BILO made it looks like the occupancy

date will be May 4<sup>th</sup>. Mitchell updated the group on the agreement with the Board of Education and the City for the City tennis courts. He presented the Athletic Director with a contract and have passed along the insurance recommendations. We have not heard anything back. Mitchell also updated the group on the gas line project. Mitchell stated that he received an email from Milton Cochran at EDA and we need to schedule a conference call as soon as April 23<sup>rd</sup> or the 24<sup>th</sup>. According to EDA we have sixteen months until completion. Kimberly Hobbs informed Mr. Cochran that the City has not yet procured an engineer and he said that was usually the case at this point in the project. He also wanted to get the ball rolling and hold a “kick-off” meeting to answer any question the City may have. Mitchell added we also need to get something in writing from DuPont or a “commitment to purchase”. Mayor Harper stated Kimberly Hobbs will putting out the RFP’s for the Engineer on this project. He said it was his understanding that we had one Engineer on the front end and one on the back end. The Engineer on the front end was ASA and once the bids go out we will have the permanent Engineer for the rest of the project. He also told Mitchell that the best time for him to be available for the conference call will be at 9:00a.m. on the 24<sup>th</sup>. Mitchell also informed the group that a Mr. Andy Morrison and Guy Tittle would like to donate a building to the City or to DDA whichever one is best for a tax write-off. Mitchell advised that it may be better to deed it to DDA because that will allow more leeway as to what is done to the property. Dawn Morrison told the group the building is 28,000 square feet, and sits on around five acres of land. It has a \$50,000.00 loading dock, and 800 amp-3 phase power and a twenty year old roof but the roof has a forty year life span. There has been some interest express by a group who would like to rent the building to open a trailer plant. This will create about ten jobs immediately and in the next year they hope to create around fifty jobs. Mr. Morrison has stated we should rent the building as it is and ask for \$800.00 per month. Dawn added the people interested in renting the building have used it before. Dawn also told the group the person interested in the building needs to know something by this next week. Their only request is to have the first month rent free and according to Andy Morrison this is not an uncommon request. Mayor Harper suggested the Downtown Development Authority take the building and then we can move forward from there. Mitchell said he will check into everything but needs to know from Council if the lease agreement needs to be set up for a year or longer. He added the building will fall under the City umbrella as far as insurance. Mayor Harper agreed that we need to offer a lease for one year with the first month free. Alderman Retterbush added if for any reason the business breaks the lease the company should pay the first months rent. Dawn added the hold harmless clause should be added into the lease agreement Lynn Morris. Mayor Harper also added the agreement should state the building will be taken as it is and any repair on the building should be handled by the company leasing the building. Dawn Morrison reminded the Council the company will create ten new jobs and possibly fifty by the end of the year so that will be a plus for the City. Alderman Retterbush asked Mitchell to add to the lease agreement that the property will be inspected and also the one month penalty prevision. Alderman Stalnaker stated the neatness and cleanliness of the property needs to be added into the lease so that waste materials are disposed of properly. Alderman Stalnaker made the motion to allow Mitchell Moore the City Attorney to proceed with the acquisition of the property and to prepare the lease documents. Alderman Carter seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. Mayor Harper suggest the Council vote on putting out RFP’s for the second phase of the new gas line. Alderman Gaither

made the motion to put out for RFP's on the second phase of the new gas line. Alderman Stalnaker seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

**4. Department Head's Report-** John Reynolds told the group there will be a meeting held at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday for Chaparral. John Hunkele will be there as will Kimberly Hobbs. Dawn Morrison told the group per Crissy at the Chamber the ribbon cutting for the Coyote Manufacturing at 1:00p.m. on May 1<sup>st</sup>. Mitchell announced the Moody Support Supper is scheduled at Deloach Farm's on Thursday at 6:00 p.m.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC/COUNCIL**

Alderman Stalnaker told the group that Dick Perryman, Berrien County Collaborative, Sheriff's Office, and the DFCS Office will be hosting a Carnival for kids who were victims of a crime. The event will be held at the Life of the South Lodge on July 19<sup>th</sup>. Kids from the Alapaha Judicial circuit will attend the event. Mayor Harper reminded everyone about the Spring Listening Session classes hosted by GMA. Anyone attending should let the City Clerk know before Friday. Alderman Retterbush asked Chief Edwards about the police cars. Chief Edwards stated they are waiting on USDA.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Alderman Stalnaker made the motion to go into Executive Session at 6:55 p.m. Alderman Carter seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. Alderman Gaither made the motion to come out of Executive Session at 7:30 p.m. Alderman Carter seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to conduct, Alderman Retterbush made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:32p.m. Alderman Gaither 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 Stalnaker

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Alderman Walter Steward

**ATTEST**

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Tina Ward, City Clerk