

**REGULAR MEETING  
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NASHVILLE  
COUNTY OF BERRIEN  
SEPTEMBER 09, 2013  
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 Aldermen Billy Retterbush, Antonio Carter, Scott Stalnaker, Alderwoman Mellisa Watson, and Mayor Travis Harper.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Mandy Luke, Randy Lane, John Reynolds, Peter Schultz, Dawn Morrison, Chief Clayton, Paul Stagner, Mitchell Moore, and Henry Yawn.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Allen Davis, Kyle Pearson, John Black, and Brenda Smith.

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES-** Alderman Carter made the motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting with the change. Alderman Retterbush seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

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

**NEW BUSINESS**

**1. Resolution approving the Executive Session on August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2013-** Mitchell Moore told the group this is the Resolution approving the August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2013 Executive Session. Alderman Carter made the motion to adopt the Resolution approving the August 26<sup>th</sup> Executive Session. Alderman Stalnaker seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. Mitchell also wanted to note for the record that the Resolution references the attached Affidavit which was emailed to the City Clerk.

**2. Request for a New Lawn Mower for Cemetery/Right of Way's-** Paul Stagner presented the group with a request for a new lawn mower. The City filled a part time position and this person will clean the right-of-ways for the DOT. In order to fulfill this duty the new employee will need a lawn mower. The new lawn mower can also assist workers in the parks or cemetery's when not in use. Paul presented the group with three quotes for a zero turn lawn

mower. The first quote was a Kubota for \$8,900.00, second quote was an Ex-mark for \$8,800.00, and third was a Bad-Boy for \$7,400.00 and \$6,100.00. Paul also gave the group a copy of the quotes for a trailer and some equipment accessories for the new lawn mower. The trailer quote is \$2,200.00 plus \$300.00 for trailer accessories and the quote for the equipment accessories is around \$500.00. The group discussed a zero turn mower verses a regular lawn mower verses a push lawn mower. They also discussed allowing the part time worker to use the older mower from the street department and let the street department have the new mower. Alderman Retterbush made the motion to purchase the lowest bid from Bad-Boy for \$6,100.00 as well as the trailer and the equipment accessories for the trailer and the new mower. Alderman Carter seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

**3. Second Reading of the City of Nashville of Nashville Erosion, Sedimentation and Pollution Control Ordinance-** Mitchell Moore told the group he included the modifications needed for the Ordinance and will have the original emailed to the City Clerk. This will constitute the second reading of the Soil Erosion, Sedimentation and Pollution Control Ordinance. Once Council adopts the Ordinance it can be published. Alderman Stalnaker made the motion to adopt the Sedimentation and Pollution Control Ordinance. The motion was seconded by Alderman Carter and the motion carried unanimously.

**4. Side-Walk Proposal** – Dawn Morrison told the group she had a couple of issues to happen on the side walk beside the Brown Bag. The side-walk needs to be repaired. According to the contractor that looked at the side-walk one hundred and eight feet going south bound needs to be resurfaced. This contractor quoted \$3,000.00 to fix the side-walk. Alderman Retterbush suggested we get more information and put out for bids before deciding on the side-walk. No action was taken on this item.

## **REPORTS**

**5. City Manager's/Finance Director's Report-** Mandy Luke told the group the City's Auditors suggested the City adopt a Risk Management Policy. The purpose of this policy is to state Nashville City Council's commitment to a risk management approach to its operation. Also that the Council recognizes that risk is inherent in all of its activities and that effective management of risk is necessary in order to protect its employees, assets, liabilities and community against potential losses. Once the City Attorney reviews the policy then the Council can adopt it at our next Council meeting.

**6. City Attorney's Report-** Mitchell Moore updated the group on the Toy's for Berrien Kids. The new EIN number will be mailed to City Hall. Mitchell also updated the group on the easements at the hospital. The Council had mentioned that they wanted to look into getting a list of all the City easements. Mitchell said he spoke with Mrs. Claris and she can do this for the City. The job will take about a day and she will charge around \$500.00. Mandy advised Mitchell that she has some of the City easements in storage. Mitchell told the group he will take those easements to Claris, and advise he that this job can be done on her down time. Mitchell also updated the group on the Solar Panels. He said the site the company is looking into was at one time on EPD's hazardous sites but now this site is no longer on that hazardous site list. We

also have the deed to this land so we can move forward with this project. Alderman Retterbush asked Mitchell if he has heard anything on LOST. Mitchell said nothing has been decided yet. Mitchell also updated the group on the gas line project. We received the preliminary report back from ASA. The report was sent to Peter Schultz and we will go from there once he has time to review the report we will move forward.

**7. Department Head's Report-** Dawn Morrison told the group the bids for the Beetree Park project closed today and we will have the results at the next Council meeting. Peter Schultz told the group he is still waiting on a response from Southern Natural on the gas needed to support the new gas line. Chief Clayton did not give a report he simply handed in his badge to the Mayor and said thank you. Mayor Harper asked the Council to make a motion on advertising for a new Police Chief. Alderman Stalnaker made the motion to advertise for a new Police Chief. The motion was seconded by Alderman Carter and the motion carried unanimously.

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

Aldermen Stalnaker, Retterbush, and Mayor Harper commented on the good job Chief Clayton did for the City also how sad they were to see him resign.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to conduct, Alderman Stalnaker made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:43p.m. Alderman Carter 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 Michael Richbourg

**ATTEST**

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Tina Ward, City Clerk