

**REGULAR MEETING
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NASHVILLE
COUNTY OF BERRIEN
JANUARY 24, 2011**

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 Eric Gaither, Antonio Carter, Michael Richbourg, Scott Stalnaker, Dick Perryman, and Billy Retterbush.

STAFF PRESENT: Tina Haughton, Randy Lane, Mandy Luke, Capitan Edwards, Tommy Davis, Peter Schultz, John Reynolds, and City Attorney Mitchell Moore.

OTHERS PRESENT: Allen Davis, Bill and Fern Turner, Walt Turner, Crissy Staley, Randall Melton, Mr. Miles, and Keith Stone.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS: Alderman Stalnaker made a motion to adopt the Minutes from the previous meeting. The motion was seconded by Alderman Carter and the motion carried unanimously.

ADOPTION OF FORMAL AGENDA- Mayor Harper wanted to add several items to the formal agenda. Item one, Special Presentation for Mr. Bill Turner, item five, two beer and wine applications, item six, the spray field contract, item seven, the first read of the International Property Maintenance Code. Alderman Stalnaker made a motion to approve the formal agenda with the changes. Alderman Gaither seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Special Presentation- Mayor Harper presented Mr. Bill Turner with a plaque for his past years of service to the City of Nashville. Mr. Bill Turner has served as a City Councilman for twelve years. He served from 1986 to 1989 and from 2003 to 2010. Mr. Bill Turner insight, dedication and leadership are an example to us all.

2. First Reading of the Ordinance Amending Cross-Connection and Contamination of Public Water Supplies Code- Mayor Harper told the group this will constitute the first reading of the new Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 12-77, Cross-Connection and Contamination of Public Water Supplies Code of the City of Nashville. The second reading will be held during the February 14th Council meeting.

3. North Berrien and Tifton Gas project- Mayor Harper updated the group on the Gas project between Tifton and Nashville. He said Tifton is 100% sure they

will go through with this gas line project and the first meeting will be held in February. He added Mr. Eddie Harp from Harp and Associates is working with Peter Schultz on the project and they are constructing a memorandum of understanding between the two Cities.

4. Update from the Berrien County Chamber of Commerce- Crissy Staley updated the group on the events and projects for 2010 and the upcoming goals the Berrien County Chamber of Commerce has for 2011. She stated the continuing goals are to expand “Buy Berrien” and they are working on advertising and different events in order to expand this line. Some of the events and promotions are as follows, Berrien Bucks, Buy Berrien on line in which we are applying for a grant to help promote this project. We will continue the quarterly advertising campaign, and promote new businesses by working with local businesses to host different events such as the rodeo event, which will be held on March 26th, and business after hours. We are also hosting a performing arts program this upcoming year. She told the group in 2010 Berrien County was awarded ten thousand dollars for becoming certified as a work ready community. In 2010 the Chamber and the City were also awarded a Gateway grant for the Alapaha highway entrance into town in the amount of \$22,000.00. This year we are applying for another Gateway grant for the Adel Highway entrance into town.

5. Beer and Wine Applications- Mayor Harper told the group the City has two beer and wine applications to present for approval. The Pizza Hut and Mimi’s Café. All fees have been paid and criminal history reported no records found on either applicant. Alderman Retterbush made a motion to approve both applications. The motion was seconded by Alderman Stalnaker and the motion carried unanimously.

6. Spray Field Contract Bids- Randy Lane told the group John Reynolds brought to his attention the spray field contract needs to be advertised for bids. He presented a copy of a similar contract from the City of Adel to the group for approval. After reviewing the contract, Mitchell Moore said the only thing that needs to be added is a prevision which will require them to cooperate with us according to EPD regulations.

7. International Property Maintenance Code- Mitchell Moore told the group this will constitute the first reading of the Georgia State Minimum Standard Property Maintenance Code (International Property Maintenance Code with Georgia State Amendments). He said we are adopting the State Code and incorporating it on a local level.

REPORTS

8. City Manager’s/ Finance Director’s Report- Mandy Luke gave the group a copy of a listing several contracts and agreements which are up for renewal this year. She asked them which ones they want to consider advertising for bids. GMA Telecommunications – Renewal Date – January 1, 2011 (GMA) Est. Annual Cost \$1,700.00

Hay Harvest Contract (spray field) – Renewal Date – January 1, 2011
Est. Annual Cost \$0

Group Health Insurance Company – Renewal Date – April 1, 2011
Blue Cross Blue Shield/Principal Insurance Co. (Houston & Company Ins.)
Est. Annual Prem. - Total Annual Est. Premium \$261,760.00

Lawn Maintenance Contract – Renewal Date – May 1, 2011
Patrick Garner Est. Annual Cost \$31,320.00

Commercial Inland Marine Pipeline Distribution Insurance – Renewal Date –
May 6, 2011 Hartford Life Insurance Est. Prem. \$11,659.00

Property & Liability Insurance – Renewal Date – May 24, 2011
Trident Insurance Co. (Gaskins) Est. Prem. \$99,230.00

a. Commercial Property	\$18,756.00
b. Commercial Inland Marine	\$ 1,271.00
c. Commercial Crime	\$ 2,147.00
d. Commercial General Liability	\$23,148.00
e. Commercial Auto	\$35,481.00
f. Law Enforcement Liability	\$13,198.00
g. Public Officials Liability	\$ 2,212.00
h. Employment Liability	\$ 3,017.00

Aramark Uniform Contract – (5 yr) Renewal Date – May 31, 2015
Est. Annual Cost - General Fund \$3,909.00 Water Fund - \$3,360.00

Fire Dept. Life & Accident Insurance – Renewal Date – June 8, 2011
(Death, Medical & Disability) Est. Prem. \$598.58

Pest Control Contract – Renewal Date – June 11, 2011
Lott’s Pest Control Est. Annual Cost \$1,584.00

Georgia Department of Corrections – Renewal Date – June 30, 2011
Est. Annual Cost \$39,500.00

Solid Waste Collection/Disposal Contract – Renewal Date – July 31, 2014
AllGreen Waste Est. Annual Cost \$465,625.00

Utility Service Company (Water Tank Maint.) – Renewal Date – Annually July
Est. Annual Cost \$25,721.00

Credit Bureau Associates (Collections) – Renewal Date – October 31, 2011
Est. Annual Cost 25% of Debt Collection

Workers’ Comp Insurance – Renewal Date – November 24, 2011
Key Risk Insurance Co. (Gaskins) Est. Prem. \$40,639.00

Mayor Harper suggested the City look into bidding out the Pipeline distribution for the gas line. The Fire department life and accidental and the workers comp could also be advertised for bids. He said we should also look into discontinuing the lawn maintenance contract and allow City workers and Georgia department of corrections take care of the maintenance. Mayor Harper said he would like for the City to look into bidding out pipe line distribution, and property and liability insurances. The Fire department life and accidental insurance, and the worker comp insurance. We also need to look into bidding out the water tank maintenance contract with Utility Service Company. Mayor Harper said we need to look into taking over the lawn maintenance contract and allow City workers along with the Community Service workers to do the work and save the City some money by taking over that contract. We also need to look into some sort of rebate from the Georgia Department of Corrections, due to the furlough days they are being made to take. Mayor Harper also asked Mandy to look into allowing GMA the opportunity to collect on the City’s delinquent utility bills. Randy Lane asked the Council to vote on the spray field harvest contract, subsequent to the changes Mitchell Moore will add to the contract. Alderman Retterbush made the motion to accept the harvest contract subsequent to the changes. Alderman Stalnaker seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. Mandy Luke also presented the group with a list of revenue and expenditures which includes the purchase of equipment for the Police department and the Fire department. The money will be put back into this fund once the Future Communication CD’s are

ready for renewal and cashed in. Mandy also pointed out and explained expenditures that show up for the end of the fiscal year in July.

9. City Attorney's Report- Mitchell Moore updated the group on the underground storage tanks disposal. He said the Council wanted to look at disposal of these tanks as oppose to monitoring. The figures to dispose of the tanks and the soil will cost around 21 to 22 thousand dollars. This amount does not include the cost of excavation and how much the County will charge us to do use their equipment. Randy Lane said he spoke with the County and they are on board with the City using their equipment. Mitchell said if the Council chooses to go this route the amount of monitoring after the excavation is not known, but there will still be some monitoring needed. Mitchell told the group the City has been monitoring this site for several years and has spent over 50 thousand dollars. Alderman Retterbush commented the excavation will be the better way to go. Mitchell said he is still waiting to hear back from TTL for some guidance on the monitoring after the excavation.

10. Department heads Report- Randy Lane and Chief Clayton thanked Mr. Bill Turner for his year's guidance and years of service. Dawn Morrison updated the group on Better Hometowns Projects and upcoming events. She said the Farmers Market grant application will be ready by the end of the week and we should hear back some time in May. The City of Nashville was chosen as one of the nine Cities to host the Smithsonian Institute "Museums on Main Street" affair. This event will take place sometime in May of 2013. The Downtown Center received a grant totaling \$14,000.00 and with the DDA match the total is now \$19,000.00. This money will go toward renovations to the Downtown Center. Better Home Town, The Chamber, and the Hospital are hosting the Melt Down this year. Mr. Bill Turner thanked the Mayor Council and the City for recognizing his years of service tonight at the meeting. Mayor Harper, Alderman Retterbush, and Perryman, and City Attorney Mitchell Moore thanked Mr. Turner for his years of dedication and service to the City of Nashville.

PUBLIC COMMENTS/GENERAL COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to conduct, Alderman Perryman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Alderman Stalnaker seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Travis Harper

Alderman Eric Gaither

Alderman Dick Perryman

Alderman Antonio Carter

Alderman Billy Retterbush

Alderman Scott Stalnaker

Alderman Michael Richbourg

ATTEST

Tina Haughton, City Clerk