

**REGULAR MEETING
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NASHVILLE
COUNTY OF BERRIEN
MARCH 14, 2011**

INVOCATION: Keith Stone

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, Chief Clayton, Tommy Davis, Peter Schultz, John Reynolds, and City Attorney Mitchell Moore.

OTHERS PRESENT: Randall Melton, Brenda Thomas, John Black Jr., Frank Watts, Mr. Miles, Allen Davis, and Keith Stone.

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

ADOPTION OF FORMAL AGENDA- Mayor Harper requested the group add an item to the formal Agenda, as item number three, repairs or purchase of a lift station at the Industrial Park. City Attorney Mitchell Moore requested a brief Executive Session. Alderman Richbourg made a motion to approve the formal agenda with the changes. Alderman Carter seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Grant for Code Red System-** Mayor Harper postponed this item due to the absence of the presenter Mike Hand.
- 2. Repairs on Ford Tractor-** John Reynolds told the group the Ford Tractor which is used at the spray field was repaired by Nashville Tractor and the cost was more than the City Manager could approve. The repairs are around \$6,000.00. After some discussion Alderman Stalnaker made a motion to approve and pay the cost for repairs on the tractor. Alderman Retterbush seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.
- 3. Repair or Purchase of the Lift Station at Industrial Park-** John Reynolds told the group the lift station at the industrial park is beyond repair and a new lift station needs to be purchased. He said we can do the work in house, and save the City around fifty to sixty thousand dollars. The cost will be around \$100,000.00, but if we contract the work out the cost will be around \$150 to \$160 thousand

dollars. John also added, when the lift station is replaced according to Georgia Power the power bill will be cut in half. Alderman Richbourg asked what kind of pump the lift station will need. John said, Flight Pump, and we can order the pump and parts straight from the manufactory. Once the order is delivered the lift station can be replaced by City employees in two weeks. Alderman Richbourg asked John to speak to John Hunkele and make sure this will not interfere with the new Waste Water Treatment Plant. Alderman Richbourg asked where the money will come from to pay for this replacement. Mandy Luke told the group the money will come from SPLOST. Alderman Richbourg made a motion to approve the purchase and installation of the lift station. Alderman Gaither seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

REPORTS

4. City Manager's/ Finance Director's Report- Mandy Luke told the group the Employee Health Insurance is up for renewal. Houston Company has been the City's agent for the past couple of years and they have done an excellent job. She said any insurance agent Council chooses to go through can get the same bid information and quotes on the Health insurance as Houston Company. We would like to continue to use Houston Company because they are covenant, local and very helpful when it comes to signing employees up for health insurance. Alderman Retterbush made a motion to continue allowing Houston Company to serve as the City's insurance agent and request that they continue to get three to four bids for employee health insurance. Alderman Richbourg seconded the motion and the motion carried five to one, with Alderman Perryman abstaining from the vote. Mayor Harper wanted to note that the Council needs to have a work session on the lawn service contract and a few other things.

5. City Attorney's Report- Mitchell Moore updated the group on the permits from EPD. He said a meeting is scheduled this Wednesday with EPD about the permits. Mitchell also updated the group of the MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) with Tifton. He said we should receive something this week in reference to the Memorandum of Understanding. Mayor Harper asked Mitchell in reference to that project, have we gotten with the County and Tommy Tomlinson on the right of way. Mitchell said he will check to make sure that has been done. Mitchell asked the Council for some guidance on the grease trap Ordinance. He said we need to have something in place before construction begins on the new Waste Water Treatment Plant. Randy Lane said he has two Ordinances to reference from other Cities. Mitchell said he will get with Randy and put something together for Council to review.

6. Department heads Report- Randy Lane told the group the hay harvest contract went out for bids and the only bid received was from Drew Smith. Council needs to make a motion to accept his bid on the contract. Alderman Richbourg made a motion to allow Drew Smith to take over the hay harvest contract. Alderman Stalnaker seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. Randy said Elaine Shiver the County Administrator would like to ask the City to help the County pay for the recreation center improvements. This project was incomplete because several things were not included in the bids for these improvements. Randy said the County needs \$4,000.00 to complete this project. Mayor Harper asked Mandy Luke if SPLOST fund could pay for these improvements and Mandy concurred. Alderman Richbourg made a motion to pay

for the recreational center improvements up to \$4,000.00 out of the City's SPLOST Fund. Alderman Carter seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. Randy updated the group on the excavation of the contaminated soil project. He said in order to get rid of the contaminated soil a whole must be dug 15x15x16 ft deep. SRI will charge \$20.00 per ton which will equal \$4,000.00 and Veoli Environmental Services charges \$23.69 per ton which will cost \$4,739.00. Each company also gave quotes on the contaminated water. SRI quoted \$95.00 per 55 gal drums and, Veoli quoted \$30.00 per 55 gal drums. TTL charges for soil excavation Oversight, Monitoring Well Replacement and Development, and Project Management and Reporting will total \$14,042.00. Alderman Retterbush told the group he is going to ask the Deep South Board at the next meeting if we can apply for a grant to help cover the cost of this project. He said if the grant is granted then Deep South will pay 80% of the total cost and we will be responsible for 20%. He added we will also need to use Veoli for the excavation due to the connection with Deep South Solid Waste. Mitchell Moore also added TTL will have to do two monitoring events once this excavation is completed. Alderman Retterbush made a motion to start the excavation with Deep South Solid Waste contingent on the grant which will pay 80% of the project. Alderman Gaither seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS/GENERAL COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL

Elaine Shiver told the group the auction was a success and everything up for sale was sold. She also thanked everyone for their help with the recreation department. Alderman Carter thanked everyone in attendance for their support. Alderman Gaither asked Randy Lane about the City wide cleanup and what week this event would fall on. Randy told him the cleanup will be held the same week as Georgia's City's week, April 18th through April 22nd.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Alderman Richbourg made a motion to go into executive session at 6:35 p.m. Alderman Stalnaker seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. Alderman Perryman made a motion to come out of executive session at 7:00 p.m. Alderman Richbourg seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to conduct, Alderman Richbourg made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:01p.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