

**REGULAR MEETING
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NASHVILLE
COUNTY OF BERRIEN
APRIL 10, 2017
6:00 P.M.**

INVOCATION: Henry Yawn

PLEDGE: Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Michael Richbourg

WELCOME: Mayor Michael Richbourg

ROLL CALL: Members of the City Council present included Mayor Michael Richbourg, Aldermen Walt Steward, Scott Stalnaker, Eric Gaither, Billy Retterbush, Antonio Carter and Alderwoman Mellisa Watson.

STAFF PRESENT: Mandy Luke, Jackie Jordan, Jill Wise, Chief Edwards, John Reynolds, Buck Warren, Henry Yawn, Mitchell Moore

OTHERS PRESENT: Neal Bennett, John Hunkele, Kyle Pearson

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS – Eric Gaither made the motion to adopt the minutes from the previous meeting. Billy Retterbush seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

ADOPTION OF FORMAL AGENDA – Billy Retterbush made the motion to adopt the formal. Mellisa Watson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. New Fire Truck – Ratification of Purchase Price and Financing Options** – **Mandy Luke** – Mrs. Luke explained an increase in the purchase price of \$1,040 for flashlights and battery charger. She explained one financing option with GMA for ten (10) years with total interest of a little over \$50,000. With USDA, it would only be seven (7) years but it has a \$25,000 grant we could qualify for which would be taken off the purchase price. The total interest would be about \$32,000. She said the difference in the annual payment would be about \$6,000 and recommends USDA and has already started on the

paperwork to apply for the grant. Scott Stalnaker asked if it would affect the grant for the police cars. Mandy said the grant is once per department so it would not affect the grant for the police department. Billy Retterbush made a motion to ratify the change in the amount of the purchase of the fire truck and finance with USDA. Scott Stalnaker seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

2. **2nd Reading of Speed Limit Ordinance – Mitchell Moore** – Mitchell gave the second reading of the new ordinance and said it will be published in the Berrien Press. Scott Stalnaker made a motion to pass the ordinance. Walt Steward seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

REPORTS

3. **City Manager's/Finance Director's Report** – Mrs. Luke explained she and Mitchell have been working on the RFP for bids for the solid waste collection and it will run for four (4) weeks in the Berrien Press and on the website.
4. **City Attorney's Report** – Mitchell said the REDLG documents have been executed but it has not been funded. He said Guardian Bank wants a memorandum of understanding of the collateral pledged agreement. Mitchell said the request for proposals for private development on the Perkins Subdivision property has run in Valdosta, Tifton and the Berrien Press. He said he does not know how much interest has been generated and asked if they want a minimum number of interested parties. Mayor Richbourg asked about extending the due date. They mentioned posting it on the City website as well and possibly GMA. Mandy asked what they want to do if only one person submits a proposal and if they want to extend the due date. Mitchell said he would re-advertise it and it is advertised such that Council has the right to reject any and all bids so if there is only one, they will not be obligated to it but he would like to see more.
5. **Department Head's** – Jill Wise reminded everyone the Fishing Rodeo is Saturday, April 29th, and asked for volunteers to help. Chief Edwards said they hold off on printing the shirts for the Fishing Rodeo until the last minute in case of last minute donations. Chief Edwards said, regarding the new cars, he was waiting to hear back from FEMA to see if they were going to allow per department or one per City per Fiscal Year and he will now proceed forward

with USDA and it will probably take a couple of weeks to complete the all the paperwork.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Eric Gaither asked about extending the pavement south toward the woods at the Cemetery by Lovein Funeral Home. Mellisa said she was approached by the owner of the Mexican Restaurant on the square concerning issues with the Historical Society. Jill said she spoke with her and she is going to present three (3) changes of which she already got approval on two (2) and they are voting at a meeting they are having tonight and she will get back with Jill afterwards. Mayor Richbourg asked for this to be further discussed later since neither of the parties involved are present. Walt Steward mentioned asking the City to be careful pruning the trees around the square as not to disfigure them and it was explained the one tree in question was not pruned by the City but was pruned by the business owner.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to conduct, Billy Retterbush made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 p.m. Eric Gaither seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Michael Richbourg

Alderman Eric Gaither

Alderwoman Mellisa Watson

Alderman Antonio Carter

Alderman Billy Retterbush

Alderman Scott Stalnaker

Alderman Walter Steward

ATTEST:

Jackie Jordan, City Clerk