

**REGULAR MEETING  
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NASHVILLE  
COUNTY OF BERRIEN  
APRIL 24, 2017  
6:00 P.M.**

**INVOCATION:** Mitchell Moore

**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, Antonio Carter and Alderwoman Mellisa Watson.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Mandy Luke, Jackie Jordan, Jill Wise, Chief Edwards, John Reynolds, Peter Schultz, Henry Yawn, Mitchell Moore

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Mireya Solis, Jamie Serrano, Bryan Shaw, Wenda Gayle Bailey, Tommy Clark

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

**ADOPTION OF FORMAL AGENDA –** Mellisa Watson made the motion to adopt the formal. Walt Steward seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. **Appeal of Rejected Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) from Historical Foundation – Mireya Solis –** Mireya Solis and Jamie Serrano explained their application to the Historic Preservation Commission for a façade to the top portion of their building/business located at 100 South Jefferson Street known as Rancho Alegre to make it resemble their other restaurants. They also explained the façade could be removed if they ever sold the building. Bryan Shaw explained although they have been approved of other changes such as

signage and paint schemes, this request was rejected on the basis that it would materially change the historical character of the building, change the cornice line, obliterate the architectural features of the structure, change the profile of the façade and would use materials inconsistent with the historical period of the building. Mr. Shaw also explained the purpose of the Nashville Historic Preservation District is to preserve the historical character of the structures within the district and the proposed changes are in contradiction to that purpose and it is in keeping with the ordinance. Wenda Gayle Bailey explained Nashville is a Main Street City which has to be re-accredited each year and historic preservation is a major thing in keeping this certification. The Mayor and Council tabled this item until the next meeting to give them a chance to physically go by and look at the building and to give them a chance to try to come up with any possible alternatives to the original proposal.

2. **Refinishing Floors Including Repairs at Community Center – Mayor Michael Richbourg** – The Mayor said there are holes in the floor of the community center needing repairs and asked Peter Schultz to take a look at the floors to see what can be done.
3. **Bidding Out General Maintenance and Clean Up in City Limits – Mayor Michael Richbourg** – The Mayor said this has been mentioned previously and asked for a list of items. Peter had a list including pressure washing all City buildings including side-walks and playground equipment at all parks, rework floor in community center, repaint entrances (steps and ramps) to City Hall with nonslip paint, cut bottom of main ditch of Middle School Circle, Meadow Brook and Langdale Drive, remove gravel from playgrounds and replace with sand, and install posts and rope to keep cars out of parks at Tygart and Memorial. Scott Stalnaker made a motion to put the items out for bid. Walt Steward seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

## **REPORTS**

4. **City Manager's/Finance Director's Report** – Mrs. Luke said she has the Deep South Solid Waste Royalty Agreement that she needs approved to accept the semi-annual royalty payment of \$10,665.31. Eric Gaither made a motion to approve the Mayor to sign the agreement. Antonio Carter seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. She also said she received an email from State Properties, which she forwarded to Mitchell, that the lease agreement Georgia Forestry Commission has with the City for radio tower space on the

City's water tower on Middle School Circle will expire 06/30/2017 and they would like to continue leasing this air space. Mitchell is in process of reviewing and wants to check on it further. This item was tabled until the next meeting.

5. **City Attorney's Report** – Mitchell said he has prepared a resolution authorizing the Mayor and/or City Manager to secure, ratify and approve a conditional commitment letter and an irrevocable letter of credit from Guardian Bank as collateral secured by a collateral pledge/assignment of account agreement for the REDLG loan. Antonio Carter made a motion to approve the execution of the Resolution. Eric Gaither seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. Mitchell said due to a question on the private enterprise on the request for proposals on the Perkins Subdivision property, John Hunkele prepared an addendum last Friday to extend the deadline to May 9, 2017. Mitchell said he had been contacted by some of the customers under the North Berrien gas line contracts which are set to expire this August. He said under the terms of the contracts, financing for the City of Nashville is six (6) years while the City of Tifton was based upon ten (10) years but they do not require a renegotiation until Tifton's indebtedness has been addressed at which time they can be renegotiated. He said it has been periodically adjusted based on the market as provided in the contracts. He said he provided them with the information they needed but they may still have some questions although he has been in contact with them and thinks they better understand it at this time.
  
6. **Department Head's** – Jill Wise reminded everyone of the Fishing Rodeo on Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup>, with registration beginning at 7:30 and gates opening at 8:00. She also mentioned the Glow Run Friday, April 28, 2017 around Meadow Brook subdivision.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Tommy Clark of John Street had an officer complaint. Mayor Richbourg asked him to first speak with Chief Edwards about it, then the City Manager if not resolved and then with the Council if not resolved.

### **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Mellisa Watson mentioned the Glow Run starting at 6:30 p.m. at Hope Baptist Church on April 28<sup>th</sup>.

Scott Stalnaker commended Peter and the street department for such a good job cleaning up on Dogwood Drive.

Mayor Richbourg asked for an update on the damaged work control building on Dogwood. Mandy said the Council was split on whether to remodel or build another building and Peter is getting information and prices together on remodeling versus tearing it down and rebuilding.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to conduct, Scott Stalnaker made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 p.m. Walt Steward seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

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Mayor Michael Richbourg

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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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Jackie Jordan, City Clerk