

**REGULAR MEETING
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NASHVILLE
COUNTY OF BERRIEN
November 13, 2017
6:00 P.M.**

INVOCATION: Bryan Shaw

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, Billy Retterbush, Scott Stalnaker, Eric Gaither, Antonio Carter and Alderwoman Mellisa Watson.

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Bryan Shaw, John Black, Mickey Lindsey, Kyle Pearson, Frank Watts, Joyce Baker, Jeff Wilson, Keith Stone, Cleon Knight

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

ADOPTION OF FORMAL AGENDA – Billy Retterbush made the motion to adopt the formal agenda adding item #4-Lights at Memorial Park on Adel Highway-Scott Stalnaker. Scott Stalnaker seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Request to Place Signs at Eastview and St. James Cemeteries (No Cost to City) – John Black** – Mr. Black presented a formal request to the Mayor and Council for permission to place signs at Eastview Cemetery and St. James Cemetery stating the name and year established. He said the signs would be paid for out of private funds from his family and the Watts family and therefore would be at no cost to the City. Billy Retterbush made a motion to approve the

request. Antonio Carter seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

2. Resolution of Election Returns of Municipal Election, 11/07/17 – Mayor Michael Richbourg – Mayor Richbourg read aloud the election results.

Antonio Carter made a motion to approve the resolution. Eric Gaither seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

3. Beer, Wine & Liquor License Approvals – Mayor Michael Richbourg –

2017 BEER WINE LIQUOR LICENSES				
BUSINESS NAME	APPLICANT NAME	ADDRESS	DESCRIPTION	AMT PAID
1st Choice	Mukeshkumar R Patel	705 N. Davis St.	Beer & Wine License	\$ 1,000.00
Discount Corner	Prahladbhai S. Patel	302 S. Davis St.	Beer & Wine License	\$ 1,000.00
Gaskins Meats & More	Dennis Ray Gaskins Jr	1318 E. Marion Ave.	Beer License	\$ 500.00
Mae's Café	Johnnie M. Brand	902 E. Marion Ave.	Beer License	\$ 500.00
OM & Aaron Corp DBA Lucky Corner	Shilpaben B Patel	1001 S. Dogwood Dr.	Beer License	\$ 500.00
Pit Stop	Dineshkumar S. Patel	514 S. Davis St.	Beer License	\$ 500.00
Pritam Corporation DBA Pap's III	Hiren H. Patel	730 E. Marion Ave	Beer & Wine License	\$ 1,000.00
Puerta Del Sol Inc.	Alonso Martinez	706 Tifton Rd.	Beer & Wine License	\$ 1,000.00
Puerta Del Sol Inc.	Alonso Martinez	704 Tifton Rd.	Liquor By The Drink	\$ 2,000.00
Quick Mart #1	Kaushik P. Patel	224 Tifton Road	Beer License	\$ 500.00
Quick Mart #2	Kaushik P. Patel	708 Old Coffee Rd.	Beer License	\$ 500.00
Rana Corp d/b/a J Raj Liquors	Vidyakumari J Rana	301 N. Anderson Rd.	Beer, Liquor & Wine License	\$ 2,000.00
Rana Corp d/b/a J Raj Spirits	Vidyakumari J Rana	720-A Adel Rd.	Liquor License	\$ 1,000.00
Rana Corp d/b/a The Log Cabin	Vidyakumari J Rana	720 Adel Rd.	Beer & Wine License	\$ 1,000.00
Stop & Shop	Chetnakumari M Patel	500 E. McPherson Ave.	Beer & Wine License	\$ 1,000.00
TOTAL – (15)				\$ 14,000.00

Mayor Richbourg presented the fifteen (15) applications for Beer, Wine, Liquor licenses as listed in the preceding table. Having nothing to prevent the approval of any of them, Scott Stalnaker made a motion to approve the fifteen (15) license applications presented. Antonio Carter seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

4. Lights at Memorial Park on Adel Highway – Scott Stalnaker – Scott

Stalnaker explained he has been contacted by some individuals wanting to use the City's Memorial Park for practice for travel ball teams and there seems to

be controversy as to how much the Parks and Recreation Department (Rec. Dept.) can charge to rent out the City's Memorial Park although the City pays the power bill. Mayor Richbourg asked what happens to the money the Recreation (Rec) Department collects. Mellisa Watson said she is on the Rec. Dept. Board and that money goes back to the Rec. Dept. for maintenance and upkeep that the Rec. Dept. does. After brief discussion, they decided to table this item until the next meeting to get more information and so the Rec. Dept. director or other board members can attend. {Also, see Public Comments}

REPORTS

5. **City Manager's/Finance Director's Report** – Mrs. Luke presented a Budget Amendment Resolution {R #16-17} to amend the budget for the 2016-2017 Fiscal Year to amend the General Fund. Billy Retterbush made a motion to approve the Resolution. Eric Gaither seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

6. **City Attorney's Report** – Mr. Moore explained the need to ratify the execution of the 2017 Solid Waste Disposal contract, which was adopted in an open meeting, due to revisions. Walt Steward made a motion to ratify and approve the execution of the contract. Scott Stalnaker seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. Mr. Moore said there is a pre-construction conference scheduled for November 16th for the TEA Grant Project (Dogwood sidewalks) and presented the signature page of the contract to the Mayor for execution. He further explained he may need to attend since Peter Schultz will not be able to attend the meeting. Scott Stalnaker made a motion to approve the execution of the documents subject to the recommendations set forth by the City Attorney. Antonio Carter seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. Mr. Moore explained Jacob's Well is proceeding and trying to install the required grease trap but there is not enough room in the alley between that building and Off the Hook and they want to know if it can be installed under the City sidewalk on the East side of the building. He said they need to be aware if they allow that, there may be an issue of liability if anyone should trip or fall but this can be covered by requiring Jacob's Well to provide a hold harmless provision to the City or they could endorse their insurance policy naming the City as an additional insured on the policy and further explained the options. Billy Retterbush made a motion to allow them to install the grease trap under the sidewalk subject to the necessary insurance endorsements. Mellisa Watson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

7. **Department Head's** – John Reynolds said they are still working on the new meter installations. Henry Yawn said the old Miller Building, the former D.A.'s office building, had to be rebid and Weaver Construction got the bid. He also said a new fast food chain, Wendy's, along with an auto parts store is coming to town on the lot at the corner of Davis and Dennis. Mr. Yawn also reported Bank of Alapaha is in process of clearing buildings to build new bank. He also said the old M.L.K. school has been sold but have not said what they will do with it yet. Jill Wise reported first Thursday in November went well and it is planned to take place again on the first Thursday in December. She reported another real estate transaction on the square, Jeff Wilson and Nikki Griner purchased the building next to the Perfect Pear. She also reported the next event is this Friday which is Blacklight Friday and will be a skating rink with a black lights and a D.J. Chief Edwards reported the four (4) new patrol cars are in the process of being outfitted and it will be a couple more weeks until they are on the road. He also mentioned Trick or Treat went fine this year but next year they need to look hard at where to place officers due to congestion around Meadowbrook subdivision. Chief Edwards also mentioned for those participating in the Christmas parade, an effort needs to be made to throw the candy far away from vehicles to ensure public safety.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Cleon Knight made a complaint about the parking on the one way street near the post office.

Bryan Shaw said the Historic Preservation commissioners can only serve two (2) consecutive three (3) year terms before having to lay off a year and each of the current commissioners are in the first year of their second term. He said he and Judy Dasher are immediately dropping off the commission as voting members to begin a rotation. He said he will remain as executive secretary of the commission in a non-voting capacity. Mr. Shaw said in order to fill one of the spots, the commission would like to nominate Jeff Wilson as a voting commissioner. He said Mr. Wilson lives in the city limits, is a contractor who works with historic restorations and owns properties within the city and asked the Council to approve the nomination. Billy Retterbush made a motion approving Jeff Wilson as a voting member of the Historic Preservation Committee. Antonio Carter seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. Bryan Shaw said this will satisfy the quorum for three (3) voting members to pass anything.

Antonio Carter asked the result of the sign inquiry by Rancho Alegre and Mayor Richbourg said they withdrew it. Jill Wise said it was her understanding they were going to present a design for a removable sign so there were no structural changes but she was recently approached by the owner and that was not what she understood. Jill said she told her she would help her with that which would still have to be approved by the Historic Preservation Commission and she also needed to paint the back of her building to match the natural brick.

Jennifer Cole, director of the Recreation Department (Rec. Dept.), said she thought if someone wanted to reserve the City field, they were to go through the Rec. Dept. and they charge \$25.00 fee for lights and a rental fee if rented for a tournament. She said her concern is if she were to leave it unlocked and something happened she did not want to be held responsible and she could not regulate the schedule that way. After brief discussion, they decided to set up a work session between the Rec. Dept. Board and City Council to come to an agreement.

Keith Stone mentioned seeing people running the stop sign near Griner Garden Apartments and contacting the police department.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Antonio Carter said he appreciated the employees' thank you note to the Mayor and Council for a recent contribution.

Eric Gaither mentioned the parking at the Post Office and it was supposed to be changed to angled parking. Antonio and Eric said they thought the Post Office was supposed to have done that and Mayor Richbourg said he would speak with them about it.

Walt Steward said he planned to continue work on the clock at the court house. He said there are flood lights there that he would like to get working again and asked for permission to approach the County to go in halves for the funds to do this. He said he just wants a verbal agreement to negotiate this with the County. The Mayor and Council agreed for him to do this.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to conduct, Billy Retterbush made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 p.m. Scott Stalnaker 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