

**REGULAR MEETING
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NASHVILLE
COUNTY OF BERRIEN
JANUARY 28, 2019
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, Antonio Carter, Billy Retterbush and Alderwoman Mellisa Watson.

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Bryan Shaw, Chad Woody, Brenda Thomas, Rodrick Smith

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS – Billy Retterbush 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 – Antonio Carter made the motion to adopt the formal agenda. Scott Stalnaker seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Proposed Historic Preservation Ordinance Amendment – Bryan Shaw** – Mr. Shaw explained the current ordinance provides each Commissioner's term be no longer than three (3) years and no more than two (2) consecutive terms. He further explained the difficulty finding qualified individuals that are willing to serve and requested, on behalf of the Historic Preservation Commission, the language of the ordinance be changed to remove the wording that members may not serve more than two (2) consecutive terms. Billy Retterbush made a motion

to revise and amend the ordinance by removing the limit of two (2) consecutive terms. Eric Gaither seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

2. **Portable Potties for Skeet Shoot Gun Team – Mellisa Watson** – Ms. Watson explained the skeet shoot gun team practices from late January through late May behind the firing range and while items such as concrete and shelter have been provided, there are no restrooms. She asked if the City would be willing to provide two (2) portable potties for the season from late January through late May. Chad Woody said the price for a portable potty without a wash area is approximately \$195 each. Scott Stalnaker made a motion for them to get bids for two (2) portable potties and allow the City Manager to approve the lowest bid up to \$2,000 per year. Eric Gaither seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. Mellisa Watson abstained from voting due to her son being on the team. City manager, Mandy Luke, also stated for the record that her son is on the team as well.

REPORTS

3. **City Manager's/Finance Director's Report** – Mrs. Luke explained an email she sent the Mayor and Council from the Regional Commission for a meeting in March to update the Comprehensive Plan asking who could be involved because they need more than one person. Antonio suggested department heads. Mayor Richbourg said he would attend. Mrs. Luke explained the loan for the waste water treatment plant requires a certain amount in the account above the payment amount per GEFA requirements and money is transferred each month but occasionally it is necessary to transfer more and at this time she needs to transfer an additional \$350,000 from the Water/Sewer fund to the Water/Sewer Sinking fund. Antonio Carter made a motion to authorize the transfer. Walt Steward seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. Mrs. Luke reported her findings for fees pertaining to the mobile food service vendors. She explained the ones she found which ranged from \$70 to \$150 per year and mentioned our current occupational tax fee, which is based on the number of employees, has a minimum fee of \$45. The Ordinance provides for fees to be set by Resolution. Billy Retterbush made a motion for a flat fee of \$150 per year. Walt Steward seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. Mrs. Luke also reported her findings for fees pertaining to cargo containers for the Ordinance which provides for fees to be set by Resolution of which she only found one place. After brief discussion, Eric Gaither made a motion for a fee of

\$100 per six (6) months. Antonio Carter seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

4. **City Attorney's Report** – Attorney Moore explained the deadline for the NURA project has been moved from February 22nd to February 25th at 2:00 p.m. as a result of a change in the bid bond package. Mr. Moore also mentioned there is no bid package on the Hay Field Spray Field bid solicitation which is the same as previously advertised.
5. **Department Head's** – Jill Wise reminded everyone of the Chili cook-off on February 23rd at Connie's Children's Park. Henry Yawn reported changes will soon take place regarding the name change of Rite Aid to Walgreens. John Reynolds reported an extra monitor for the radio read meters is \$20,000 and after brief discussion, John was asked to check prices with different vendors or a used one. Peter Schultz reported rocks and gravel have been removed and replaced with sand at Memorial Park and Tygart Park and the new basketball court has been completed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Brenda Thomas thanked Chief Edwards and the Police Department for their help regarding the Martin Luther King Jr parade.

Bryan Shaw made a complaint about the state of deterioration of the apartments and the corresponding fence located near Taylor and Avera next to his personal residence and items such as a mattress and washing machine had been discarded on the property.

Rodrick Smith asked about the status of the road repairs from the CDBG project and Mayor Richbourg briefly explained some of the steps required and that he just signed the agreement between the City and the Engineer for the 2018 CDBG and based on previous grant projects, it could possibly take up to a year for completion.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Scott Stalnaker welcomed Walt Steward back. Mr. Steward replied he was glad to be back home and expressed his appreciation to the Mayor, Council and City employees during his absence.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to conduct, Scott Stalnaker made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:41 p.m. Billy Retterbush 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