

**MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF  
THE CITY OF NASHVILLE, ARKANSAS ON  
May 27, 2014**

The City Council of the City of Nashville met on Tuesday, May 27th, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers.

Presiding Officer Mayor Billy Ray Jones called the meeting to order.

Financial Director Jimmy Dale led the Council in prayer.

Mayor Jones led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag.

On roll call 7 members answered as their names were called. Alderwoman Harwell, Alderwoman Gathright, Alderman Brown, Alderman Anderson and Alderman Milum were absent.

Other persons present were Angela Allen, Joe Hoen, Miles Mitchell, Attorney George Steel, Code Enforcement Officer David Johnson, Financial Director Jimmy Dale, Park Director Nikki Cherry, PWD Larry Dunaway, Jonathan Canady with SWARadio, Charles Goodin with Nashville News, Mayor Jones, and City Clerk Treasurer McDaniel.

After a review of the April 22, 2014 minutes, Alderwoman Clark made a motion to accept the minutes and Alderwoman Wright seconded. On roll call vote the motion passed with all yeas and no nays. (7-0)

Next Financial Director gave this financial report for the month of April 2014

01-5-110-5320-000 Cruise Uniforms New Officer outfitted PD \$2,082.80

01-5-130-5200-000 Easton Outdoors Professional Services Park \$2,220.00 (Ronnie Woods Trail)

01-5-130-5306-000 Lawrence Termite Chemicals Fire Ant Protection Park \$3,748.00 (Annual treatment)

03-5-000-5295-000 Mosquito Products Mosquito Spray Street \$5,292.00

04-5-000-5100-000 Tony Young Acc. Sick Leave Sanitation \$9,958.64

07-5-100-5201-000 Ackley Eng. Eng. Fees Water \$4,660.00

12-5-000-5900-000 Transfer Out Operating Exp to Street \$15,000.00

12-5-000-5900-000 Transfer Out Operating Exp. To Sanitation \$10,000.00

Sales tax received 5/23/14:

City was down \$1,977.36 or 1.8%

County was down \$328.42 which is a flat decrease.

Alderwoman Mitchell made motion to accept the financials and Alderman Parker seconded. On roll call vote it passed with all yeas and no nays. (7-0).

Next, PWD Larry Dunaway gave a brief report on the Wastewater Plant project and the system rehab project.

He then discussed the purchase of the old box factory building. He stated there was a bid put on the 4 buildings and it didn't go so the property is back on the market again. The asking price was \$290,000 and Mayor Jones had offered \$200,000.00 to buy it himself but the offer was turned down. Of the 4 buildings for sale, the County is interested in buying one of them and the City of Nashville wants one. A bid will be put in on the properties separately by the City and County. Dunaway stated that we will wait and see if the offer the City made will be accepted. Mayor Jones stated that the present offer was \$250,000.00. The County is going to pay \$50,000.00 for the building they want and the City of Nashville is offering \$45,000.00 for their building, leaving \$150,000.00. He stated that the offer hasn't been accepted and he may not accept it but we will wait and see. Husqvarna is renting the other two buildings which accounts for the other \$150,000.00 and the rent they are paying is all it will substantiate as far as financing to pay for it and "that's how I derived at that figure". If anybody else wants to do that I'd be glad for you to take it on" states Mayor Jones. "The City and County are getting a good price so if they call and say they accept our offer, I want to make you aware of what's going on." Alderwoman Clark asks what Mayor Jones to repeat what he just said. He asks what part? And she replies, the City's part. Mayor Jones says he isn't going to sell it to the City or the County. The property is with Ray and Associates and we would bid \$250,000.00 on the property which would then be surveyed out and the City would buy this lot, the County would buy that lot, and I would buy the rest of it; and the total of one offer is \$250,000.00 for all of it. Alderwoman Clark then states, "technically, you aren't asking the City to purchase the \$245,000?" Mayor Jones and PWD Dunaway say, that's correct....Mayor Jones inserts, "unless ya'll want to buy the whole thing". Alderwoman Kirkpatrick states we seem to be doing a lot of business with Ray and Associates. Dunaway and Mayor Jones state that a representative from Husqvarna was present at the meeting and stated it was ok with them but whoever buys the property, they want some loading docks added.

Next, Dunaway discussed the sludge ponds at the water plant and showed a slideshow of the ponds which are grown up with brush and cattail. He states the ponds are full and need to be cleaned out because the sludge has covered the pipes. The states he has 3 quotes to clean out the ponds. One from Miller Lagoon Service from Mt. Ida (.02 cents per gal and \$20,000 cleanup), one from Denali from Russellville (.0365 cents per gal and \$25,000 cleanup), and one from McCrary from Nashville (.02 cents per gal and \$9,500.00 cleanup). McCrary gave the low quote. After much discussion, the Council decided to

take action and give McCrary a 90 day completion. Alderwoman Clark asks where the funds will come from to pay for the project. Dunaway says we have Capital Reserve Savings and also it could be classified as depreciation/maintenance. The states the funds are there and it shouldn't be a problem. Alderwoman Clark motions to take action and award the contract to McCrary with a 90 day completion and Alderwoman Mitchell seconds. On roll call vote all yeas and no nays (7-0) was voiced.

Dunaway then discussed the City Lake spillway washout and what needs to be done to repair it. He gives a slideshow presentation of the washout under the concrete slab that is the spillway. Mayor Jones says it cannot be put off because of the urgency of a break in the levy underneath the concrete that holds the lake water. If we were to lose the water in the City Lake we would lose the ability to get water into the water plant. The work would entail pulling the old riprap back and filling in more dirt plus a mat and riprap on top. Dunaway said he has talked to Sen. Larry Teague about help with financing from Arkansas Natural Resources and he is waiting to hear more from him.

There was no more business to be discussed.

Alderman Parker made a motion to adjourn and Alderwoman Clark seconded. Mayor Jones called the meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Passed and approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2014.

ATTEST:

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Billy Ray Jones, Mayor

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Liz McDaniel, Treasurer/ City Clerk