

**MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF THE
CITY OF NASHVILLE, ARKANSAS
May 23, 2022**

Nashville city council met in regular session May 23, 2022

Mayor Billy Ray Jones called the meeting to order at noon. Nick Davis led in prayer. Chief Amy Marion led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Nine council members were present: Freddie Horne, Joe Hoen, Donna Harwell, Nick Davis, Vivian Wright, Will Turley, Kay Gathright, James Parker and Herbert Turley.

Motion was made by Harwell and seconded by Wright to accept the minutes of the April 25, 2022 meeting. Motion carried.

Financial report was presented by Finance Director Kimberly Green. She explained that the reports look different because the city is now running new financial software. It is now Center Point Software Solutions. Extraordinary expenses for April include General: \$ 16,188.00 from Equipment Replacement for John Deere bunker & rake; Depreciation \$25,162.00 Water Treatment for removal from backwash pond, \$45,415.00 for radio for SCADA system (reimbursed \$27,000 from Nashville Rural Water); Franchise transferred \$500.00 to street and \$24,600 to Water and Sewer. Motion was made by Horne, seconded by Harwell to accept the financial report. Motion carried.

Park Director Meghan Floyd reported the park had hosted two softball tournaments in the past month. Concessions income had almost reached the yearly budgeted income. There are two weeks of baseball left then one week of tournament. There will be a free bluegrass concert at the stage area this month and the Stand Up for America program is scheduled for July 2. The park is also looking into the possibility of youth flag football in the fall.

Police chief Amy Marion reported that the in-car camera systems we are using are going to have to be upgraded and will go to a monthly fee with downloadable digital information. She will have more on the costs in the future. She also noted that two officers have left. One for another city and one retiring. One position has been filled. A new police vehicle has been delivered that was ordered last year.

Fire Chief Justin Thornton stated that the testing continues for the ISO ratings but no other updates.

Code Enforcement officer David Riggs had nothing to report at this time.

Public Works Director Larry Dunaway gave updates on several projects:

Mt. Pleasant bridge: a grant has been applied for to fund 75% of the cost, but we won't have the approval til August.

Main St. sidewalk: in the design phase.

Sewer Rehab Mill St.: Using COVID relief funds

Westside water pressure: finished the study and now know where the boosters are needed.

Water plant: close to complete

Joe Hoen asked about the possibility of annexing part of Pine Street. During discussion it was stated that the residents need to present the request for annexation.

Meeting adjourned at 12:47.

Signed this _____ day of _____, 2022

Mayor Billy Ray Jones

City Clerk Carol Mitchell