

**MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF THE
CITY OF NASHVILLE, ARKANSAS
SEPTEMBER 26, 2017**

The City Council of the City of Nashville met on Tuesday, September 26, 2017 at 6:00 pm in the City Hall Council Chamber for the regular monthly meeting. Presiding Officer Mayor Billy Ray Jones called the meeting to order, led the Council in prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Upon roll call 9 council members present, those absent were Joe Hoen, Monica Clark and Andy Anderson. Others in attendance were Larry Dunaway, Jonathon Canady (SW Arkansas Radio) Louie Graves (Nashville Leader), Mark Dale, City Attorney Chesshir and City Clerk Woodruff. Matt noticed an error in the August minutes and requested it be corrected. James Parker made a motion to approve the minutes after the correction was made and Vivian Wright seconded. There were 9 yeas to approve the minutes. Monica came in at 6:08.

The Mayor explained extraordinary expenses for August as there was only one and that was the cost of the new meters. Kimberly was absent due to a flat tire coming back from Texarkana. Members looked over financials and Carol Mitchell made a motion to accept the August financials with Jimmie Lou Kirkpatrick making the second. There were 10 yeas.

Mark Dale gave a brief update on all the park activities and discussed the Pact the Park event. He said there had been 33 vendors at the Trade Days, 33 teams in at the softball tournament, 100 cars in the car show. He stated that it has been discussed to make this a festival and combine it with the Peach Blossom Festival. Mark stated that there were 7 soccer games 2 nights a week and there were 10 softball teams currently playing a double header tournament. Mark told the council that there were 41 teams coming in the upcoming weekend. The Park Commission meetings were moved from noon to Tuesday nights. With no questions for Mark he asked to be excused so he could get back to the park.

Larry Dunaway presented several items to the council. Waste Management is going up .33 cents, he asked permission for the water department to destroy old records, presented a diagram of where they are straightening a corner out on Mt Pleasant and Pope St, talked about a possible contract between the City and Cossatot on the employees going to school and the city helping to pay, and explained that new voting equipment was purchased through the county. The County has asked that each city pitch in a help pay the expense of the voting machines which came to a total of \$83,588.43. Nick Davis made a motion to allow the destroying of old records and Jimmie Lou made the second. There were 10 yeas.

There were several addresses brought up by different members requesting that Code Enforcement talk to the property owners about cleaning them up. The Mayor brought up the fact that there is nothing in regards to shrubs in the ordinances and that it probably needs to be discussed. The Mayor told the council that there had been a couple of re-zoning request. One was to turn the old Forrest Healthcare Bldg. into apartments and the other was to take the old bus station out of residential and put it back commercial. P&Z has already met on the first issue and denied the request, the second request is planned to go before P&Z on October 19th

With there being no further business James Parker made a motion to adjourn with Jimmie Lou Kirkpatrick making the second. Meeting adjourned at 7:15.

Passed this _____ day of _____, 2017

Mayor Billy Ray Jones

City Clerk Mary Woodruff