

**MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF THE
CITY OF NASHVILLE, ARKANSAS
OCTOBER 22, 2018**

The City Council of the City of Nashville met for the regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, October 22, 2018 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, Nick Davis led the prayer and Chief Dale Pierce led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Upon roll call 11 members were present and Matt Smith came in at 6:02 therefore making a full council. Others in attendance were Ty Basiliere, Amy Marion, City Clerk Woodruff, Jonathon Canady (SW Arkansas Radio) Louie Graves (Nashville Leader), Kimberly Green, Finance Director, Larry Dunaway, Public Works Director and City Attorney Aaron Brasel. Joe Hoen made a motion to approve the September minutes and Vivian Wright seconded. There were 12 yeas and minutes were approved.

Kimberly Green explained the extraordinary expenses for August. The largest one was out of Equipment Replacement for \$36,560.00 for a new police Durango and all the equipment. Kimberly told the council that city sales tax was up by 3.8% and county was up 2.5%. Carol Mitchell made a motion to accept financials with Jimmie Lou making the second. There were 12 yeas.

Larry Dunaway was next and gave a brief update on the different projects in town. The Mayor told the council that the city was looking at applying for a loan at ½% to purchase the rest of the radio read meters that are needed to finish out the city. After some discussion Nick Davis made a motion for Larry to apply for the loan with Jimmie Lou Kirkpatrick making the second. Larry also brought up that each year in October the council has to approve the millage rate. Andy Anderson stated that it has not been raised in 25 years. Monica Clark stated that she felt like before raising the millage we should let the citizens know. Andy Anderson made a motion to raise the millage 1% and James Parker made the second. There were 5 votes against and 7 votes for motion carried. City Clerk Woodruff read Resolution 2018-08 with the new millage rate. Andy Anderson made a motion to approve and Jimmie Lou Kirkpatrick made the second. There were 5 against and 7 for, resolution passed. Next Resolutions 2018-09 and 2018-10 were read stating that we would apply for the loan from ANRC (2018-09) and the City's intend to sell bonds (2018-10)

Next Dale Pierce stated that he didn't have anything much to report except one of the officers, Mackenzie Vermillion had been hurt while chasing a suspect. At the time of council meeting suspect had not been apprehended.

Mark Dale spoke to the council about the Golden Gathering at the park. He stated that there were about 550 attendees and that from everything he's heard it was a great success. Mark told the council that all paperwork for 2018 Outdoor Grant for the remodel of the restrooms at the top of the hill had been submitted and that work had begun on the restrooms.

Under new business Nick Davis made a motion to go into executive session on a personnel matter and Donna Harwell seconded. The recorder was turned off and everyone but the allowed people left the council chamber at 7:02. At 8:15 Carol Mitchell made a motion to go back into public session with Donna Harwell making the second. Jimmie Lou Kirkpatrick made a motion to appoint Ty Basiliere as the new Chief of Police. In going around the table the vote was 6-6 with Matt, Nick, Vivian, Jimmie Lou, Kay and James voting yes. Joe, Donna, Monica, Carol, Andy and Mike voted no. Mayor Jones broke the tie by voting no. Next Andy Anderson made a motion to appoint Amy Marion as Chief of Police with Mike Milum making the second. Once again the vote was 6-6 with Matt, Nick, Vivian, Jimmie Lou, Kay, and James voting no and Joe, Donna, Monica, Carol, Andy and Mike voting yes. Mayor Jones broke the tie with a yes vote and Amy Marion was appointed as the new Chief of Police effective 1-1-2019.

James Parker made a motion we adjourn and Joe Hoen made the second. Meeting adjourned at 8:30

Passed this _____ day of _____, 2018

Mayor Billy Ray Jones

City Clerk Mary Woodruff