

**NASHVILLE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6, 2019**

ATTENDANCE: Council members present – President Jane Gore, Vice-President Alisha Gredy, Councilmember Nancy Crocker, Councilmember Anna Hofstetter and Councilmember Dave Rudd. Also in attendance – Utility Manager Sean Cassiday, Administration Manager Phyllis Carr, Police Chief Ben Seastrom and Clerk-Treasurer Brenda Young.

COUNCIL BUSINESS – 10:00am

1) CALL TO ORDER by Councilmember Gore at 10:00am.

2) TO CONSIDER PURCHASE OR LEASE OF PROPERTY

President Gore explained that the purpose of this meeting is to consider the purchase of a piece of property in Nashville. She asked if there was a motion to authorize this to happen and authorize her to present an offer to the seller. Councilmember Rudd made this motion and Vice-President Gredy seconded the motion.

Bruce Gould commented that when he was on the Town Council in the 90's they talked about combining the Town's Police Department with the County Sheriff's Department. He asked that before they spend more money on the Town's Police Department that they once again look at combining forces. Mr. Gould also asked that the Town focus more on their current buildings and infrastructure before purchasing more property.

Councilmember Hofstetter asked Police Chief Seastrom's response to Mr. Gould's suggestion. Police Chief Seastrom advised that the merger has been discussed by the Town Councils over the last fifteen years and it was determined to not be cost effective. He also noted that the Sheriff's Department was not interested and not able to enforce some of the Town's local ordinances. Discussion.

Councilmember Crocker asked if anyone would be opposed to her looking into combining the departments, getting actual numbers and talking with the Sheriff. President Gore advised that Councilmember Crocker could do that, however the property owners have a couple of other interested parties that would like to purchase the building but has agreed to give them some time to put an offer together. Discussion.

President Gore asked if the Council wanted to put the potential offer on hold for the building until Councilmember Crocker looked into the numbers. Councilmember Rudd and Councilmember Hofstetter would like to call for a vote on this now. Discussion. Councilmember Hofstetter noted the purchase of the property would be contingent upon the sale of the current building. Discussion.

President Gore advised they have a motion and second and would like to take a call on the vote. Clerk-Treasurer Young reviewed the Newly Elected Officials Handbook with the Council and advised that they would need to pass a resolution indicating its interest in making a purchase of land or structures with a total price greater than \$25,000. Also, two appraisals of fair market value must be obtained and disclosed to the Council. The price then paid for the land or structure may not exceed the average of the two appraisals. Discussion.

President Gore asked that they discard the previous motion and have another meeting to pass a resolution indicating their interest in purchasing the property. She also advised that the Town

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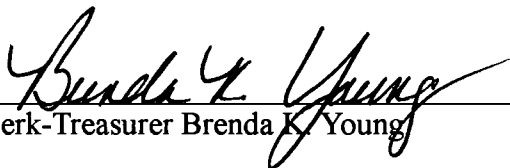
Attorney will be present for the meeting. The Town Council agreed to meet on Friday, March 8, 2019 at 1pm.

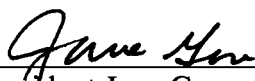
Councilmember Hofstetter asked about the Town's portion of taxes that would be lost if the Town purchased the building. Clerk-Treasurer Young will provide an estimate for the March 8, 2019 meeting. Brown County Democrat Editor Sara Clifford asked how much is owed on the current Police Department building and the payments per year. Clerk-Treasurer Young presented the requested information.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Rudd made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Vice-President Gredy seconded the motion. President Gore adjourned the meeting at 10:32am.

The audio recording made at the Town Council meeting on 3-06-19 is retained in the office of the Town Clerk-Treasurer.


Clerk-Treasurer Brenda K. Young


President Jane Gore


Vice-President Alisha Gredy


Councilmember Nancy Crocker


Councilmember Anna Hofstetter


Councilmember Dave Rudd