

**TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING  
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2023, AT 6:30PM  
IN PERSON AT NASHVILLE TOWN HALL**

**ATTENDANCE** – Council members present in person – President Jane Gore, Vice-President Tyra Miller, Councilmember Anna Hofstetter, Councilmember David Rudd and Councilmember Andi Wilson. Also, in attendance – Town Attorney Wanda Jones, Town Manager Sandie Jones, Police Chief Heather Burris and Chief Administrative Officer Phyllis Carr.

**1. OPENING THE MEETING** – called to order by President Gore at 6:30pm.

- A. Pledge of Allegiance**
- B. Roll Call** – by Chief Administrative Officer Phyllis Carr
- C. Approval of the Agenda** – Councilmember Rudd motioned to approve the agenda. Councilmember Miller seconded. All were unanimously in favor.

**2. PRESENTATION**

**A. Centerstone PACES Grant – Casey Stover**

She went over the handout with the Council and explained the Brown County PACES Initiative. PACES=Understanding the predictive nature of Positive Adverse Childhood Experiences in order to impact the lives of Brown County residents of this generation and the next. The grant award is \$500,000 over 30 months and ends December 2024.

**3. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA** - Councilmember Rudd motioned to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Miller seconded. Councilmember Hofstetter spoke about Resolution 2023-02 on the Consent Agenda. She would like for the Council to consider looking at maybe changing the election year of the 2 Councilmembers seats to go along with the general election. The Town Council would still be elected in staggered terms, but it could provide for a greater voter turnout. All were unanimously in favor of the motion.

- A. Consider Approval of Claims (Accounts Payable Vouchers)**
- B. Consider Approval of Meeting Minutes: 1-03-2023, 1-09-2023 and 1-19-2023**
- C. Resolution 2023-01 Authorizing Application Submission of RBDG RLF Grant**
- D. Resolution 2023-02 A Resolution Concerning Town Elections**
- E. Riverfront License Recommendations: Big Woods Hard Truth Hills, FH LLC dba The Ferguson House and Quaff On Brewing Co. LLC**

**4. CLERK-TREASURER REPORT** – given by Town Manager Jones as C/T was out sick.

- A. Fund Balance Report** – The Town Council had received copies of the report. There were no questions regarding the report.

- B. Consider Approval of the Annual Financial Report** - Councilmember Rudd motioned to approve the 2022 Annual Financial Report. Councilmember Wilson seconded. All were unanimously in favor of the motion.
- C. Outstanding Checks Report** – Councilmember Rudd motioned to approve the Outstanding Checks Report. Councilmember Wilson seconded. All were unanimously in favor of the motion.

**5. MONTHLY DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

- A. Police Department** – Chief Heather Burris went over the January 2023 monthly report with the Council. In the report was the monthly Officer update, upcoming community events, training updates, facility, and equipment updates. Chief Burris is working with a non-profit organization Fight Crime: Invest in Kids Association. The Police Department received a check in the amount of \$2,486.96 from the Fill A Boot fund raiser.
- B. Fire Department** - Fire Chief Fosnight advised that they have had over 70 runs so far this year. He said the grand total of truck repairs and yearly service was \$32,286.04 in 2022. He wanted the Council to know that they will be requesting more funding as they are working within their budgets. He spoke about the costs of on-going training. President Gore advised that he needs to get with us in August during our budget preparation for 2024. He spoke about the need to get the 1996 Ladder Truck back in service and estimated a ballpark figure of at least \$60,000. The 1996 Ladder Truck currently cannot pump water, but the ladder does work.
- C. Town Administration**
  - **Open Second Round Service Bids** – CAO Carr opened the bids and read aloud the bid amounts:
    - a) **Water Pump Service Station** = Indiana Pump Work and BBC Pump. **Electrical Repair**= Wheeler Electric and Clark Electrical Services.
    - b) **Material Hauling and Trucking** = bids were received from Jerry Fleetwood and Waglers.
    - c) **Pest Control** = Environmental Pest and Burt's.
    - d) **Wastewater Pump and Lift Station Repair** = National Water Services, LLC and BBC Pump.
    - e) **Auto Repair** = Brown County Tire.
    - f) **Street & Curb Painting** = AAA Striping.
    - g) **Plumbing Repair** = HFI.
    - h) **Tree Maintenance** = Rick Patrick, Norman Arbor Care and Vertical Landscaping.
    - i) **Heavy Equipment Repair** = Best Equipment and Westside Tractor Sales.
    - j) **Wastewater Excavation, Install and Repair** = Woodland Enterprises LLC aka Roto Rooter.

Councilmember Rudd motioned to take these bids under advisement. Councilmember Hofstetter seconded. All were unanimously in favor.

- **First Round Service Bid Recommendations** – CAO Carr advised the Council that in their packets was a list of the First Round Service bid recommendations as follows:
  - a) **Air Conditioning & Heating Repair:** Snyder HVAC and Nevin’s Refrigeration, Inc.
  - b) **Septic/Wastewater Hauling:** Reed Excavating & Septic Services, Inc.
  - c) **Water Excavation, Installation & Repair:** Dewey Sizemore Excavating and Woodland Enterprises, LLC (Roto-Rooter)
  - d) **Wastewater Excavating, Installation & Repair:** Dewey Sizemore Excavating & Woodland Enterprises LLC (Roto Rooter).

CAO Carr advised that they had to rebid the following: Tree Maintenance, Plumbing, Water Pump & Booster Station Repair, Wastewater Pump & Lift Station Repair and Heavy Equipment Repair.

Councilmember Rudd motioned to take these under advisement. Councilmember Hofstetter seconded. All were unanimously in favor of the motion.

- **Right-of-Way Request: NUMC Fall Fare – October 6 & 7, 2023** Councilmember Rudd motioned to approve the Right-of-Way Request for the NUMC Fall Fare. Councilmember Wilson seconded. All were unanimously in favor of the motion.

CAO Carr reported that the Old School Way restrooms will be shut down next week for the flooring project. The Village Green Restrooms floors are finished and are now open.

**D. Town Attorney Report – Nothing to report**

**E. Town Manager Report – Town Manager Report February 16, 2023**

Requested Council approval for the Town Manager and Administration Manager to put out a request for bids to repave the following alleys: Honeysuckle Lane from Gould to Franklin and Old Hickory from Jefferson Street to Van Buren, and potentially other alleys if the bids come in below expectations. The proposed budget for the work will not exceed \$100,000. Funding will be from MVH and Food & Beverage funds. Councilmember Rudd motioned to put this out for bid. Councilmember Wilson seconded. All were unanimously in favor of the motion.

Requested Council approval for the Town Manager and Clerk-Treasurer to review bids and sign a contract for the purchase of a new copier for Town Hall and sign a maintenance agreement. The purchase amount shall not exceed \$8,500. Councilmember Rudd motioned to approve the Town Manager’s request for the contract and new copier. Vice-President Miller seconded. All were unanimously in favor of the motion.

Requested Council approval for the Town Manager and Clerk-Treasurer to review bids and sign a contract to assist and verify the Town of Nashville’s Fixed Asset Records. Specifically, life of the assets, asset depreciation, and replacement costs. The cost of the contract shall not exceed \$13,000. Councilmember Hofstetter motioned to approve this request. Councilmember Rudd

seconded. All were unanimously in favor of the motion.

She explained that Security Pros has submitted an invoice in the amount of \$225.32 for yet another part to be purchased for the Washington Street Parking Lot camera system. This was a last-minute change order, and she does not believe we should be charged this additional equipment fee. May I have a motion denying the claim? Councilmember Hofstetter motioned to deny the claim.

Councilmember Rudd seconded. All were unanimously in favor of the motion.

She had submitted a letter to the Highway Department and County Commissioners asking that we work together regarding the intersection of W. Main Street, Helmsburg Road and Jackson Branch. The County has their attorney reviewing the request currently.

She noted that she attended an EMA meeting regarding the April 8, 2024, total solar eclipse. Nashville is in the center of totality and thousands of visitors will be in Town for the event. The CVB is planning many events related to the eclipse. Many safety concerns for residents and visitors will need to be addressed.

She is working with the CVB on a community calendar. The CVB has invited several entities from the community to hold events throughout the year. The intent of this meeting on February 23, 2023, is to look at all events planned and see how we can all work together without competing events and keeping traffic flowing.

## **6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **A. Appointments to Boards & Commissions (DRC, USB, NAEC and Police Merit Commission)**

**Development Review Commission** – President Gore appointed Lance Miller, Councilmember Hofstetter appointed Melissa Parker, Vice-President Tyra Miller appointed Alyn Brown, Councilmember Rudd appointed Tona Martin, Councilmember Wilson appointed Jocelyn Hawkins, and Clerk-Treasurer Young appointed Phil Stephens.

President Gore advised that Bob Kirlin had stepped down from the Utility Service Board and she then appointed Nancy Crocker to the USB.

President Gore advised that since Nancy Crocker is taking the USB position there will be a position to fill on the Arts & Entertainment Commission. Lisa Hall was then appointed to the NAEC.

**Police Merit Commission** – President Gore motioned to appoint Tom Bauer. Councilmember Wilson seconded. All were unanimously in favor.

## **7. NEW BUSINESS**

### **A. Ordinance 2023-01 An Ordinance Regulating Excessive Noise – 1<sup>st</sup> Reading**

Vice-President Miller motioned to have the first reading of Ordinance 2023-01 by title only. Councilmember Rudd seconded. President Gore, Vice-President Miller, and Councilmember Rudd were in favor by voice vote. Councilmember Hofstetter was opposed, and Councilmember Wilson abstained. Councilmember Rudd read aloud Ordinance 2023-01 by title only. The Council set a public hearing for Ordinance

2023-01 for Tuesday, March 7, 2023, at 6:30pm. The location was discussed due to maybe moving to a larger meeting location than Town Hall.

- B. Ordinance 2023-02 An Ordinance to Amend Water Rates and Charges – 1st Reading**  
Town Manager Jones noted that this ordinance is not ready for the first reading tonight.

**8. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Jesse Clark spoke about having a speaker in the Schools to address the student body regarding mental health and to help the kids feel safe in our schools. He felt it would be a great opportunity to bond with the kids and let them know they are cared for. Chief Burris will work on this.

Davis Simon at Jacksonburg Place asked about drainage in their area and asked who is responsible. CAO Carr and Councilmember Rudd will look at this area.

Sally Baldwin asked Councilmember Hofstetter to ask about the maintenance of the little garden in front of her shop. Town Manager Jones will call Sally.

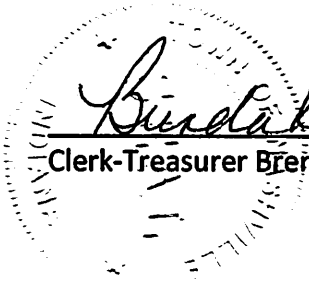
Pam Gould of 54 E. Franklin Street asked the town to look at this section of the street which was on the paving schedule and has not been re-paved.

There was a discussion regarding the possibility of a stop light or roundabout on 46E near the State Park.

At 7:50pm President Gore opened the Public Comments for those who wanted to speak about the Noise Ordinance. There were comments about why the Council is considering the ordinance, musicians spoke about the importance of music in town, ways to enforce the decibel levels. Councilmember Hofstetter noted that the Council had a noise study completed by IMEG and suggested that the completed study be available on the Town's website. Other comments and questions included: Asking if we have any data about the health and safety of music decibels, the town should allow Street Musicians, resident lives on Tuck-A-Way Ridge and can sometimes hear the base and drums from Hard Truth Hills, some of the businesses have decibel meters to monitor their music, opposition to limiting non-amplified music, music brings people into businesses, questions about the decibel levels in the Village District and the Business District, comment about possible conflict of interest for a Councilmember, economic impact of music, social cooperation, people used to complain that there was nothing to do at night, needing equity in the proposed ordinance, look into other noise ordinances from other communities, encouragement of being good neighbors, permits could be beneficial, having a designated decibel person on staff, motorcycles are louder than the music to some, comment about enforcing the ordinance at the schools, a resident of Highland Drive likes the music but doesn't like the music coming into their property and business. They are sometimes affected by Hard Truth 4 out of 7 nights, want the community to work together and feel music brings the community together.

- 9. COUNCIL COMMENTS AND ACTION ITEMS – There were none presented.**

10. **ADJOURN** – Councilmember Rudd motioned to adjourn. Councilmember Wilson seconded. President Gore adjourned the meeting at 8:34pm.



*Brenda K. Young*  
Clerk-Treasurer Brenda K. Young

*Jane Gore*  
President Jane Gore

Vice-President Tyra Miller

*Anna Hofstetter*  
Councilmember Anna Hofstetter

*David Rudd*  
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*Andi Wilson*  
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