

**NASHVILLE TOWN COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
THURSDAY, AUGUST 18, 2022, IN PERSON AT TOWN HALL  
& VIDEO CONFERENCE VIA ZOOM**

**ATTENDANCE** – Council members present in person - President Nancy Crocker, Vice-President Jane Gore, Councilmember Anna Hofstetter, Councilmember Tyra Miller, and Councilmember David Rudd. Also, in attendance- Town Attorney Wanda Jones, Town Manager Sandie Jones, Police Chief Heather Burris, Chief Administrator Phyllis Carr, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Debbie Ferry, and Clerk-Treasurer Brenda Young.

**1. OPENING THE MEETING** – called to order by President Crocker at 6:31 pm.

**A.** Pledge of Allegiance

**B.** Roll Call by Clerk-Treasurer Young.

**C.** Approval of the Agenda – President Crocker advised item #2 A and B need to be switched. Town Administration agenda items Lighting Request and Orchard Hill Dead End Sign Request will need to be deleted as well as Consultant Report regarding Ordinance to Amend Water and Sewer Adjustment Policy. Councilmember Gore motioned to approve the amended agenda. Councilmember Rudd seconded the motion. All were unanimously in favor.

**2. PRESENTATIONS: Woods Lane Economic Development Area - Ed Curtin, Nashville Redevelopment Commission Consultant**

**B. Ordinance 2022-09 Ordinance Designating an Area as Economic Development Target Area**

Consultant Ed Curtin advised the Economic Development Commission met earlier today and adopted a resolution recommending the Town Council designate an Area as Economic Development Target Area. He explained the timeframe to adopt and file the paperwork with the Brown County Auditor's office by October 4, 2022. Discussion. Councilmember Rudd motioned to read Ordinance 2022-09 by title only. Vice-President Gore seconded the motion. Councilmember Hofstetter asked if the other Town Councilmembers have looked at the IC code, and how property values are going to be assessed. Consultant Curtin explained the process. Councilmember Hofstetter made a motion to table this discussion. The motion died for lack of a second.

Pam Gould spoke in favor of the first motion giving an opportunity to leverage the incremental increase.

Vote on the first motion – President Crocker, Vice-President Gore, Councilmember Miller and Councilmember Rudd voted in favor. Councilmember Hofstetter opposed.

President Crocker read aloud Ordinance 2022-09 by title only. Councilmember Rudd motioned to suspend the rules and have a second reading of Ordinance 2022-09 by title only.

Councilmember Gore seconded the motion. Councilmember Hofstetter read aloud parts of the IC code for more clarification. President Crocker, Vice-President Gore, Councilmember Miller, and Councilmember Rudd were in favor of the motion. Councilmember Hofstetter opposed. President Crocker read aloud Ordinance 2022-09 by title only.

Councilmember Rudd motioned to adopt Ordinance 2022-09. Vice-President Gore seconded the motion. Councilmember Hofstetter questioned the other Councilmembers about following the law. Town Attorney Jones spoke regarding the ordinance. President Crocker, Vice-President Gore, Councilmember Miller, and Councilmember Rudd were in favor of the motion. Councilmember Hofstetter opposed.

**A. Resolution 2022-07 Approving A Resolution of The Brown County Area Plan Commission Approving A Resolution of the Town of Nashville, Indiana, Redevelopment Commission Designating and Declaring the 2021 Woods Lane Residential Economic Development Area**

Councilmember Rudd motioned to adopt Resolution 2022-07. Vice-President Gore seconded the motion. President Crocker, Vice-President Gore, Councilmember Miller, and Councilmember Rudd voted in favor of the motion. Councilmember Hofstetter opposed.

**3. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA**

Councilmember Rudd made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Vice-President Gore seconded the motion. President Crocker asked if there were any questions. There were none. All were unanimously in favor.

- A. Consider Approval of Claims (Accounts Payable Vouchers)**
- B. Consider Approval of the Minutes – 7-21-2022 Town Council Meeting and 08-11-2022 Budget Work Session**
- C. Consider Riverfront License Nashville Chop House**
- D. Consider NAEC Funding Request**

**4. CLERK-TREASURER REPORT**

**A. Fund Balance Report-** Clerk-Treasurer Young advised that the Council and Department Heads have received the monthly financials and asked if there were any questions. There were none.

**B. Claims for DNR Water Project –** The first claim presented was for Attorney Wanda Jones in the amount of \$2,170 and the second one was for Striegel Design and Construction Service, Inc. in the amount of \$145,834. Councilmember Rudd motioned to approve the Clerk-Treasurer's signature on these claims and approval to send to the State Revolving Loan Fund (SRF) for payment of these invoices. President Crocker seconded. All were unanimously in favor of the motion.

**C. Budget Work Session Update –** The next work session was scheduled for September 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm and another one on September 20<sup>th</sup> at 4pm if needed. The Public Hearing for the 2023 Budget is scheduled for October 6, 2022, and the adoption of the budget will be on October 20, 2022.

## 5. MONTHLY DEPARTMENT REPORTS

### A. Police Department-Chief Heather Burris

- **Consider Police Department Sick/ Vacation/Comp Time Update**

Chief Burris went over the proposed changes. Councilmember Rudd made a motion to adopt this policy. Councilmember Miller seconded the motion. All were unanimously in favor.

- Chief Burris advised that the Nashville Police Department and the United States Veterans Service Help Operations are collecting donations for the Kentucky Flood Relief at Town Hall. They will deliver the donations the second week of September.

- She gave a public thank you to all that helped organize, participate, and donate to the National Night Out to support public safety. She invited anyone interested in participating or have any ideas please let her know.

- Chief Burris updated that we have one Officer at the Academy now. We now have a Firearms Instructor; Lt. Mike Horn and Mick Reddick is now a Defense Tactics Instructor.

- President Crocker thanked her committee members – Martha Smith, Henrietta Stinson, Selena Bryant, people from the county and the Music Center, and all the businesses that stepped up and supported the event. They pulled off the entire night of National Night Out with all donated funds and supplies. She then presented Chief Burris a plaque for the Police Department to commemorate the night. She also made one to place at Town Hall. Chief Burris also thanked the ladies at Town Hall for everything.

### B. Town Administration – Phyllis Carr

- **She presented 4 Right of Way Permit Requests to be approved:**

Consider Right-of-Way Request for Annual Chamber Holiday Light Parade on November 26, 2022 blocking off parking on Friday night the 25<sup>th</sup> after 9pm until after the parade on Saturday night, and the Christkindl Market requests to close East Washington Street from Old School Way to Casa Del Sol entrance for vendor loading and unloading from 12/2/2022 thru 12/5/2022, and blocking of 2 parking spaces for the Art Colony Weekend on North Jefferson, and the NUMC Fall fare on October 1<sup>st</sup> has requested the same Right of Way permit as last year. Vice-President Gore motioned to approve the Right of Way Requests. Councilmember Hofstetter seconded the motion. All were unanimously in favor.

- **Consider Agreement with DLZ to Update PASAR Ratings**

Councilmember Rudd motioned to approve the agreement. Vice-President Gore seconded the motion. Councilmember Hofstetter asked how this compares to the past years. It was noted that it is the same as two years ago. All were unanimously in favor.

- **Consider Seal Coat and Striping Quotes for Town Parking Lots**

Chief Administrator Carr advised that the Parking Commission approved the bid from Ed Couch to seal and stripe the Pat Reilly and Old School Way Parking lots in the amount of \$13,150. She also presented a bid from Ed Couch to seal and stripe the Town Hall parking lot in the amount of \$2,495. Councilmember Rudd made a motion to approve the three bids from Ed Couch. Councilmember Hofstetter seconded the motion. All were unanimously in favor.

- **Mural Installation Right of Way Request by Artist Kurt Eagleman.** The mural was approved by the Nashville Arts & Entertainment Commission. The mural on the side of the Mulberry Cottage will be funded by the Indiana Department of Tourism. Town Manager Jones noted that a mural was approved for the CVB also. Artist Kurt Eagleman phoned in and explained the project and his proposal for the right of way request. Councilmember Hofstetter motioned to approve the Right of Way Permit. President Crocker seconded the motion. President Crocker asked if Kurt had spoken with the businesses in the alley. He had spoken with Salt Creek Winery and will speak with Big Woods. He also asked if anyone had a lift that he could borrow. It was suggested that he speak with Kevin Ault. All were unanimously in favor of the motion.

- **Village Green Restrooms will be closed next Monday, August 22 thru Wednesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> for roof repairs.**

- **Chief Administrator Carr noted that the Crosswalks should hopefully be striped by mid-September.**

**C. CONSULTANT REPORT – DAX NORTON**

- **USB Update**

He explained the USB has been working on a new policy for billing adjustments and they will present an Ordinance for the Council to consider.

- **Grant Update**

We have applied for a grant that is approximately 6 million for the utilities. The grant has not been awarded to date. He explained that we have a few up-hill battles in qualifying for federal grants regarding diversity and low to moderate income are being labeled disadvantaged. The Town has also applied for Police grants for cameras and vests. We will also be applying for the JAG grant through the state. Discussion.

**D. TOWN ATTORNEY REPORT – WANDA JONES**

- **Consider Ordinance 2022-10 An Ordinance Regarding the Town's Purchasing Policy**

Attorney Jones went over the changes and additions to the ordinance. Vice-President Gore made a motion to have the first reading of Ordinance 2022-10 by title only. Councilmember Rudd seconded the motion. Councilmember Hofstetter asked

if the ordinance meets the Town of Nashville requirements regarding purchasing powers. All were unanimously in favor. President Crocker read aloud Ordinance 2022-10 by title only. Discussion. Councilmember Hofstetter made a motion to suspend the rules and have a second reading of Ordinance 2022-10 by title only. Vice-President Gore seconded the motion. All were unanimously in favor. President Crocker read aloud the ordinance by title only. Councilmember Hofstetter made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2022-10. Vice-President Gore seconded the motion. All were unanimously in favor.

#### **E. TOWN MANAGER REPORT – SANDIE JONES**

- **Consider Nashville Noise Ordinance, Professional Services & Study Agreement with IMEG**

Town Manager Jones advised that she has been working with some members of the Noise Committee doing research and trying to figure out how to be cognizant of downtown Nashville and outside of Nashville. She was provided the information of a resource from Indianapolis called IMEG. The company will go out and measure the sound of our community, meet with members of the Council, community members, businesses, etc. The company conducts noise and acoustic study service. Chief Burris noted that this company has an expert witness that would be factual not theory. Councilmember Rudd made a motion to approve the agreement not to exceed \$10,000 and the funds will be taken out of the EDIT funds. Councilmember Miller seconded the motion. Councilmember Hofstetter asked if they guarantee their work. President Crocker asked about how many complaints that have come in for the last 12 months. Discussion. All were unanimously in favor. President Crocker advised that there will be a 5-minute break and we will come back in session at 8:02pm.

#### **6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

##### **A. Consider Ordinance 2022-03 Human Rights Commission Ordinance**

Councilmember Hofstetter made a motion to have the second reading of Ordinance 2022-03 by title only. President Crocker seconded the motion.

President Crocker advised that each speaker will be given 3 minutes to comment and then each Councilmember will have 3 minutes to comment. She spoke about the large packet of letters regarding this ordinance most are of support and there are also letters not in support. She asked for decorum and everyone to be respectful.

Speakers present went first and presented their comments and then the speakers on zoom were given a chance to give comments. The comments from the audience and from zoom continued until approximately 8:50pm. President Crocker then opened the comments up to the Town Council. Individual Councilmembers were impressed with how civil the conversation was this evening, encouraged participation of community members and thanked all of those who came out to speak about this ordinance whether they were in favor or opposed. President Crocker then read aloud her written statement regarding the

ordinance. President Crocker, Councilmember Hofstetter, and Councilmember Miller were in favor of the motion to have a second reading of Ordinance 2022-03 by title only. Vice-President Gore and Councilmember Rudd were opposed. President Crocker read aloud Ordinance 2022-03 by title only. Councilmember Hofstetter motioned to adopt Ordinance 2022-03. President Crocker seconded the motion. President Crocker, Councilmember Hofstetter, and Councilmember Miller were in favor of the motion. Vice-President Gore and Councilmember Rudd were opposed. The motion carried.

## 7. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jim Hays asked about the dead-end street on Orchard Hill. The Council would like to gather more information.


## 8. COUNCIL COMMENTS AND ACTION ITEMS

Councilmember Hofstetter spoke regarding the traffic issues on West Main Street. She suggested speed bumps and a stop sign. It was determined that we will need to have a traffic study in this area to see what can be done and to have Chief Administrator Carr poll the residents to get their ideas.

Councilmember Hofstetter spoke about a meet and greet with the woman the Netflix miniseries Maiden was based on concerning domestic violence to be held in Indianapolis. She invited the Council to attend if they are interested.

## 9. ADJOURN

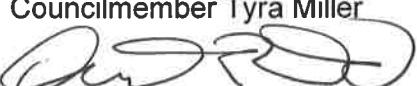
Councilmember Rudd made a motion to adjourn. Vice-President Gore seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 9:04pm.

  
Clerk-Treasurer Brenda K. Young

  
President Nancy Crocker

  
Vice-President Jane Gore

  
Councilmember Anna Hofstetter

Councilmember Tyra Miller  
  
Councilmember Dave Rudd