

**MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF THE
CITY OF NASHVILLE, ARKANSAS
February 24, 2025**

Nashville City Council met in regular session at noon on February 24, 2025. Mayor Larry Dunaway called the meeting to order. County Judge Brent Pinkerton led in prayer and Police Chief Amy Marion led the pledge of allegiance.

Ten council members were present: Freddie Horne, Joe Hoen, Donna Harwell, Vivian Wright, William Turley, Kay Gathright, Charles Pinkston, Herbert Turley, Kathy Combs, and Lynn Dyer.

Motion was made by William and seconded by Kathy to accept the minutes of the January 27th meeting. All in favor. Motion passed.

The financial report was given by the Finance Director Kimberly Green. Extraordinary expenses for January were: General-Admin-Misc. Expense: \$29,359.00 for 2023 Chevrolet 1500 truck for park department paid to York Gary. Street- Capital Outlay: \$185,822.00 for 2nd & 3rd payments for Main St. Sidewalk paid to Wooster Construction. Wastewater- Capital Outlay: \$30,387.00 for WW treatment plant improvement payment #4 paid to RBIS. Depreciation R&M- Water treatment plant: \$29,326.00 for 6" Vac Assist Pump paid to United Rentals. Franchise- transfer to other funds: \$11,887.00 transferred to Water for wastewater improvement project, \$185,822.00 transferred to Street for sidewalk, \$300.00 transferred to Animal Control for operating expense, \$29,359.00 transferred to General for park truck purchase. City sales tax decreased by 2% and county decreased by 6%. Motion by Donna, second by Joe to accept the financial report. All in favor. Motion passed.

Resolution 2025-03 Amend resolution no 2025-01 for operating budget for 2024 was by City Clerk Hoen. Motion was made by Donna to accept Resolution 2025-03, second by Joe. Motion passed.

Meghan Floyd, Park Director reported baseball is starting up in the park. Hannah Topper was recommended for the open seat on the park commission. Motion was made by Joe, second by William to approve Hannah to fill in the open seat on the park commission. Motion passed.

Police Chief Amy Marion reported she did not have anything at this time.

Fire Chief Justin Thornton reported he did not have anything at this time.

David Riggs Code Enforcement Officer reported he wants to table the resolution for him till next month. Did not have anything else at this time.

Public Works Director Larry Dunaway introduced Ryan Bowman. Mayor Dunaway opened the public meeting for the bond and water & sewer rates. No comments, Mayor Dunaway closed the public meeting. Ryan Bowman presented Ordinance 993 An Ordinance Confirming Rates For Services Rendered By The Water And Sewer System Of The City Of Nashville. Motion was made by Donna to suspend the rules and place Ord. 993 on its first reading by title only, second by Freddie. Motion passed. Ord. 993 title was read by Ryan. Motion was made by Donna to suspend the rules and place Ord. 993 on its second reading by title only, second by Freddie. Motion passed. Ord. 992 title was read by Ryan. Motion was made by Donna to suspend the rules and place Ord. 993 on its third and final reading by title only, second by William. Motion

passed. Ord. 993 title was read by Ryan. Motion was made by Donna to accept Ordinance 993, second by William. Motion passed. Ryan Bowman presented Ordinance 994 Authorizing The Issuance Of A Water And Sewer Revenue Bond For The Purpose Of Financing All Or A Portion Of The Cost Of Construction. Motion was made by Donna to suspend the rules and place Ord. 994 on its first reading by title only, second by Vivian. Motion passed. Ord. 994 title was read by Ryan. Motion was made by Donna to suspend the rules and place Ord. 994 on its second reading by title only, second by Kathy. Motion passed. Ord. 994 title was read by Ryan. Motion was made by Donna to suspend the rules and place Ord. 994 on its third and final reading by title only, second by Vivian. Motion passed. Ord. 994 title was read by Ryan. Motion to accept Ordinance 994, second by Vivian. Motion passed. Mayor Dunaway presented Resolution 2025-02 Intent Regarding the Water System Expansion Project. Resolution was read by Dunaway. Motion by Joe, second by Kathy to accept Resolution 2025-02. Motion passed. Mayor Dunaway reported that the clarifier project will end up costing more than expected. It will need to be built new from the ground up. Larry said he will need an approval to spend the money for the work. Motion was made by Freddie, second by Joe to accept the clarifier upgrade project. Motion passed.

Melanie Schwartz with the Howard County Farmers Market. Melanie wants to see about getting food trucks in the farmers market without having to pay for a permit. She mentioned the farmers market is only open on Fridays just during operating hours and events. She asked if the council could exempt the permit fee for the farmers market in Ordinance 981 section 5 with the city park and fair grounds. Motion was made by Joe, second by Herbert to table this matter till next month. Motion passed

Lois with Bridging Gaps of Arkansas talked about what her and Bridging Gaps of Arkansas do. She just wanted to introduce her and the company to the council.

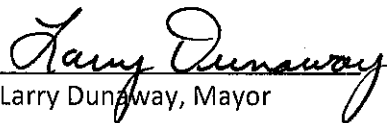
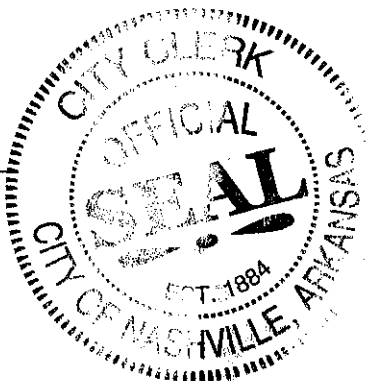
County Judge Brent Pinkerton presented a form of ballot to the council. The form of ballot is for the 1% sales and use tax for Howard County. Brent mentioned this is not a new sales tax, it just has a new name to it. He just wants our support and to get the word out that it is not a new sales tax.

Motion to adjourn by Larry, second by William at 1:31.

Signed the 24th day of March, 2025



Lauren Hoen, City Clerk



Larry Dunaway, Mayor