

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

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

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

Mayor Dunaway recommended Brent Thompson for Ward 2 Position 2. Motion was made by Donna, second by Charles to accept the recommendation of Brent Thompson. Motion passed. Mayor Dunaway sworn in Brent Thompson.

Motion was made by Donna and seconded by Will to accept the minutes of the February 24th meeting. Motion passed.

The financial report was given by the Finance Director Kimberly Green. Extraordinary expenses for February were: General- Equipment Replacement-Capital Outlay: \$37,896.00 for 2025 Dodge Durango for police dept. paid to York Gary, Police- Grant Expenditures: \$36,300.00 for MILO Range MSATS Training Kit paid to FACC Inc. Street- R&M Paving & Misc: \$34,837.00 for City's balance of State aid street paving paid to ARDOT, Capital Outlay: \$30,143.00 for Main St. sidewalk payment #4 paid to Wooster Construction. Wastewater- Capital Outlay: \$57,825.00 for WW treatment plant improvement payment #5 paid to RBIS. Franchise-Transfer to other funds: \$57,825.00 transferred to Water for wastewater improvement project payment, \$30,143.00 transferred to Street for sidewalk payment. City sales tax increased by 5.75% and county decreased by 0.4%. Motion by Freddie, second by Donna to accept the financial report. Motion passed.

Meghan Floyd, Park Director was not presented. Freddie Horne updated the council on things going on in the park.

Police Chief Amy Marion reported the grant for the in-car computers opened on March 4th, submitted everything for it. \$136,169.55 was the price she asked for, it is a 90/10 grant, so if we get it, we would pay \$13,616.95. This will go towards all the laptops, scanners, printers, hardware, mounts, and brackets for the cars. Amy mentioned she has hired two new officers; they are doing ride along right now till their 13-week training academy starts on May 4th.

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

David Riggs Code Enforcement Officer presented Resolution 2025-04 Declaring the existence of a nuisance upon certain property. Resolution 2025-04 was read by David. Motion by Joe, second by Vivian to accept Resolution 2025-04. Motion passed.

Public Works Director Larry Dunaway reported the progress on the clarifier is going as should be. Larry presented Resolution 2025-05 Utilize Federal-Aid Transportation. Resolution 2025-05 was read by Larry. Discussion was made about resolution. Motion made by Donna, second by Joe to accept Resolution 2025-05. Motion passed.

The Howard County Farmers Market is wanting to get exempt for the permit in Ordinance 981 Section 5. Discussion was made about this topic. Motion was made by Joe, second by Herbert to add the farmers market to Ordinance 981 Section 5 to be exempt from paying the permit fee. Motion passed with 10 Yeas and 1 Nay. Will bring back Ordinance 981 to next months meeting.

Motion to adjourn by Donna, second by Larry at 12:48.

Signed the 21st day of April, 2025

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Lauren Hoen, City Clerk



Larry Dumasway

Larry Dumasway, Mayor