

The Town Council of the Town of Nashville held a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, March 3, 2020 at 7:00 PM in Town Council Chambers. Members Present: Mayor Brenda Brown, Mayor Pro Tem Kate Burns, Council Member Louise Hinton, Council Member Lynne Hobbs, and Council Member Larry Taylor. Absent: None. Staff Present: Randy Lansing – Town Manager, Lou Bunch – Town Clerk and Human Resources Officer, Marguerite Bishop – Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources Director, Sam Sanchez – Finance Director, Lee Brown – Public Works Director, Julie Spriggs – Planning and Development Director, Tina Price – Planning Technician, Chris Joyner – Fire Chief, Anthony Puckett – Police Chief, JT Winstead – Police Captain, David Boykin – Police Lieutenant, Tikela Alston – Library Director, Ronnie Denton – Assistant Public Works Director, and Walter Manning – Equipment Operator.

1. Mayor Brown called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and welcomed those in attendance.
2. Mayor Brown led the Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Mayor Brown called for Approval of Meeting Minutes for January 27, 2020 – Called Meeting Minutes, January 29, 2020 – Agenda Meeting Minutes, February 4, 2020 – Regular Meeting Minutes, and February 5, 2020 – Called Meeting Minutes.

Mayor Brown asked if there were any corrections to the minutes. Council Member Hinton made a correction to page 2 of the January 27, 2020 minutes which have been corrected in the official record. There being no other corrections, Mayor Brown called for a motion to approve the minutes. Council Member Hinton made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Council Member Hobbs. There being no discussion, Mayor Brown called for a vote. The motion was unanimously approved (4-0).

4. Mayor Brown called for the Public Comment Period.

Scarlette Bennett and Jay Howell of Code3 Insurance approached the podium.

Mr. Howell said, “Thank you, Mayor and Council, Town Officials, and members of the audience. My name is Jay Howell and Scarlette Bennett joins me tonight in making a presentation to the Town of Nashville Fire Department. We provide through Code3 Insurance Services – our office located in Rocky Mount on Sunset Avenue – we provide the insurance to the Town’s Fire Department and we also provide some additional firefighter benefits to the members. At this time, we are representing VFIS, the insurance carrier that provides the insurance on the Town’s equipment and fire trucks and department members. We take pleasure in telling you, the Town Officials, that our risk control staff made a risk management survey in February and Chief Chris Joyner - come on up Chief - his Chief of Staff Officers, and Firefighters measured up to a high standard by the VFIS survey. VFIS is a national insurer operating in 48 states in the United States. We have a measuring stick that is used to determine how safe our insureds are doing the work and how they perform and measured against the others. Nashville’s fire service members are in the top 10% by our standards in safety, risk control, loss reduction, and has a high standard for continuing that work. So rarely do we get the chance to present an appreciation certificate and acknowledgement to the fire department because there are not many at that standard. We insure 90% of the fire departments in North Carolina including municipalities and of those 1,250 departments in the 90% that we insure, we measure Nashville’s – according to what is in the state and nation – and it is truly a high standard and a high honor that we get to make this presentation to the Chief. And thanks to him, the Town, for letting us serve you with your insurance needs on the emergency services out of our office in Rocky Mount. At this time, Scarlette is going to make the presentation to Chief.”

Ms. Bennett said, “I just want to say thank you also. I’ve been doing this 15+ years. This is the first time we’ve ever given one of these away since I have been doing that so that just really speaks volumes. We just want to thank you, Chief, because of your leadership and also the members there. We are just so proud of you and proud to be a part of it. Thank you so much.”

Ms. Bennett and Mr. Howell presented Chief Joyner with the Certificate of Achievement. Chief Joyner received a round of applause. Council Member Hinton thanked Chief Joyner for keeping us safe and then asked Ms. Bennett if this would keep our premiums low. Ms. Bennett replied that it does have a bearing on the rates. Council Member Hinton thanked Ms. Bennett. Mayor Brown also thanked them for coming.

5. Items for Consideration

a. Mayor Brown called for Recognition of Staff Certifications.

Mayor Brown asked Sam Sanchez, Ronnie Denton, and Walter Manning to approach the front of the room. She then recognized Sam Sanchez for earning the North Carolina Local Government Finance Officers Certification, and both Ronnie Denton and Walter Manning for earning their Wastewater Collections I Certifications. Ms. Sanchez, Mr. Denton and Mr. Manning all received a round of applause.

b. Mayor Brown called for Consideration of an Appointment to the Downtown Strong Advisory Board.

Mayor Brown announced that Amy Beasley of Southern Bank, which is located in the Municipal Service District, has submitted an application for the Downtown Strong Advisory Board. Her appointment will expire on June 30, 2022. Staff recommends approval of this appointment.

Mayor Brown called for a motion to approve this appointment. Council Member Hobbs made the motion, seconded by Council Member Hinton. There being no discussion, Mayor Brown called for a vote. The motion was unanimously approved (4-0).

c. Mayor Brown called for Consideration of Letter of Support for the North Carolina Department of Transportation's INFRA Grant for Future I-87.

Mayor Brown stated that the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) is applying for an Infrastructure for Rebuilding America (INFRA) grant for its Future I-87 Project, which is a roadway improvement project that will increase resiliency, capacity, and mobility for trucks and cars, and will install a fiber network along Future I-87 and US 64 that will provide short-term and long-term benefits for the towns, cities, and communities along the route. NCDOT is requesting a letter of support from the Town of Nashville for the INFRA grant application.

Mayor Brown called for a motion to approve a letter of support for the INFRA grant application. Council Member Taylor made the motion, seconded by Council Member Hobbs. There being no discussion, Mayor Brown called for a vote. The motion was unanimously approved (4-0).

d. Mayor Brown called for Consideration to Grant the North Carolina Department of Transportation a Temporary Construction Easement along Old Carriage Road.

Mr. Lansing reported that Old Carriage Road is outside of Town limits, but we have a piece of property where our sewer metering station sits. The NCDOT will be installing roundabouts at Reges Store Road and at the two interchanges with Old Carriage Road along US-64. There will be some rebuilding of the approaches to the bridge along Stoney Creek, which is alongside of our property. The NCDOT is seeking a temporary construction easement from the Town to allow their contractor to be on our property to make some of those widening improvements for the bridge. There are two documents that need approval. He recommends that we do not seek compensation for this project, and that it should be done as a courtesy. Mr. Lansing stated that once this project is complete, this temporary easement will go away. He noted that NCDOT will be responsible for maintaining the slope until such time as the Town would do something different to alter the area; for example, if the Town were to raise the concrete box that meters the sewer by three feet then that would alter the area. Mayor Pro Tem Burns questioned the language because it does not specify that the temporary easement would terminate upon completion. Mr. Lansing explained that they would not be on the property beyond where they have permanent right of way or permanent easement if it were not for the temporary construction easement and once they do construction beyond where the right of way may be then it is inferring back to the temporary construction easement. Council Member Hinton asked if there is a map that shows where in particular this property is. Mr. Lansing replied that he does not have a better map than the engineering map to show where it lies in the field, but there are some stakes out on the site that are flagging the property. Mr. Lansing noted that this easement does not say that the property will be returned to its original state following construction, but he did receive a copy of the language that NCDOT has in the agreement with the contractor which states that the contractor must return the property to its original state following construction.

Mayor Brown called for a motion to grant the easement on the Town's property along Old Carriage Road. Council Member Hinton made the motion, seconded by Council Member Hobbs. There being no discussion, Mayor Brown called for a vote. The motion was unanimously approved (4-0).

The temporary easement was approved as follows:



STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

ROY COOPER
GOVERNOR

ERIC BOYETTE
SECRETARY

DATE: _____
WBS ELEMENT: 47133.2.1
FA PROJECT: N/A
TIP/PARCEL: U-5996 010
COUNTY: Nash
DESCRIPTION: Widening of SR 1603 (N. Old Carriage Road)

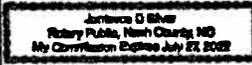
Property Owner Acknowledgement of the Terms for the Voluntary Donation Of Property to the North Carolina Department of Transportation.

The undersigned property owner and/or the undersigned property owner's legal representatives freely acknowledge their desire and willingness to voluntarily convey a temporary construction easement to the North Carolina Department of Transportation for the benefit of the above sited public transportation project without receipt of just compensation. It is further agreed and acknowledged by the undersigned property owner and/or the property owner's legal representative that the property owner and/or legal representative has been advised that he/she is entitled to have an appraisal made on his/her property to determine just compensation and the owner releases the Department from this obligation and waives any compensation in exchange for the donation of the temporary construction easement in full settlement of his/her claim. The purpose of this document is to ensure compliance under Title 23 of the United States Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Subchapter H (Right-of-Way and Environment), Part 710 (Right-of-Way and Real Estate), Subpart E (Property Acquisition Alternatives), Subsection .505 (Real Property Donations).

The Town of Nashville, a municipal corporation

BY: Brenda Brown
Brenda Brown, Mayor of the Town of Nashville

ACCEPTED FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION BY: _____

 (Stamp Seal)	STATE OF <u>North Carolina</u> COUNTY OF <u>Nash</u>
	I, <u>Jontesca D. Silver</u> a Notary Public for said County and State, so hereby certify that <u>Brenda Brown</u> personally appeared before me this day and acknowledged the execution of the foregoing instrument.
	Witness my hand and official stamp or seal, this the <u>4th</u> day of <u>March</u> , <u>2020</u>
	My commission expires <u>July 27, 2022</u> <u>Jontesca D. Silver</u> Notary Public

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Revenue Stamps \$ -0-

TEMPORARY EASEMENT

THIS INSTRUMENT DRAWN BY D.T. AMATO CHECKED BY T.M. CLARK

RETURN TO: The Right of Way Group
210 E. 5th Street
Lumberton, NC 28358

NORTH CAROLINA TIP/PARCEL NUMBER: U-59.06 010
COUNTY OF Nash WBS ELEMENT: 47133.2.1
TAX PARCEL 382110469311 ROUTE: SR 1603 (N. Old Carriage Rd)

THIS EASEMENT, made and entered into this the 4th day of March 20 20
by and between The Town of Nashville, a municipal corporation
409 S. Barnes Street
Nashville, NC 27856

hereinafter referred to as GRANTORS, and the Department of Transportation, an agency of the State of North Carolina, 1546 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27611, hereinafter referred to as the Department;

WITNESSETH

THAT the GRANTORS, for themselves, their heirs, successors, executors, and assigns, for and in consideration of the sum of \$ 1.00 agreed to be paid by the DEPARTMENT to the GRANTORS, do hereby give, grant and convey unto the DEPARTMENT, its successors, and assigns, a temporary easement for highway purposes, subject to the terms and provisions hereinafter set forth, over a portion of real property described in deed(s) recorded in Book 1184, Page 163 in the office of the Register of Deeds of Nash County, said easement being described as follows:

Point of beginning being S 55°51'16.6" W, 45.981 feet from -L1- Sta 85+00 thence along a curve 105.824 feet and having a radius of 755.000 feet. The chord of said curve being on a bearing of N 1°58'18.0" E, a distance of 105.737 feet thence to a point on a bearing of S 17°3'41.7" W 26.356 feet thence to a point on a bearing of S 15°6'4.3" E 18.964 feet thence to a point on a bearing of S 0°46'45.0" W 62.175 feet returning to the point and place of beginning.

It is understood and agreed that the Department shall have the right to construct and maintain the cut and/or fill slopes in the above described area(s) until such time that the property owners alter the adjacent lands in such a manner that the lateral support of the cut and/or fill slopes are no longer needed. Any additional construction areas lying beyond the right of way limits and beyond any permanent easement areas will terminate upon completion of the project. The underlying fee owner shall have the right to continue to use the Temporary Easement area(s) in any manner and for any purpose, including but not limited to the use of said area for access, ingress, egress, and parking, that does not, in the determination of the Department, obstruct or materially impair the actual use of the easement area(s) by the Department of Transportation, its agents, assigns, and contractors.

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COUNTY: Nash WBS ELEMENT: 47133.2.1 TIP/PARCEL NO.: U-5896 010

Said easement widths, station numbers, survey lines and additional easement areas being delineated on that set of plans for State Highway Project 47133.2.1 on file in the office of the Department of Transportation in Raleigh, North Carolina, and also on a copy of said project plans which will be recorded, pursuant to N.C.G.S 136-19.4, in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Nash County, to which plans reference is hereby made for greater certainty of description of the easement areas herein conveyed and for no other purpose.

This EASEMENT is subject to the following terms and provisions only:

The undersigned property owners request that the Department enter upon our lands outside the right of way to the extent necessary for the reconnection of our driveway and we will have no further claim as a result of said reconnection.

There are no conditions to this EASEMENT not expressed herein.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD said temporary easement for highway purposes, subject to the terms and provisions hereinabove set forth, unto the DEPARTMENT, its successors and assigns, and the GRANTORS, for themselves, their heirs, successors, executors and assigns, hereby warrant and covenant that they are the sole owners of the property; that they solely have the right to grant the said temporary easement; and that they will warrant and defend title to the same against the lawful claims of all persons whomsoever;

The Grantors acknowledge that the project plans for Project # 47133.2.1 have been made available to them. The Grantors further acknowledge that the consideration stated herein is full and just compensation pursuant to Article 9, Chapter 136 of the North Carolina General Statutes for the acquisition of the said interests and areas by the Department of Transportation and for any and all damages to the value of their remaining property; for any and all claims for interest and costs; for any and all damages caused by the acquisition for the construction of Department of Transportation Project # 47133.2.1 Nash County, and for the past and future use of said areas by the Department of Transportation, its successors and assigns for all purposes for which the said Department is authorized by law to subject the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, GRANTOR, pursuant to a letter dated March 4, 2020 has caused this instrument to be signed in its corporate name by the MAYOR, its corporate seal hereto affixed, and attested by its CITY CLERK, this day and year first above written.

This instrument does not transfer the herein described interests unless and until this document is accepted by an authorized agent of the Department of Transportation.

The Town of Nashville, a municipal corporation
BY: Brenda Brown
Brenda Brown, Mayor



ATTEST: Lou Bunch
Lou Bunch, Town Clerk

ACCEPTED FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION BY: _____

Jontesca D Silver Notary Public, Nash County, NC My Commission Expires July 27, 2022 (Official Seal)	North Carolina, <u>Nash</u> County I, <u>Jontesca D. Silver</u> , a Notary Public for <u>Nash</u> County, North Carolina, certify that <u>Lou Bunch</u> personally came before me this day and acknowledged that she is the CLERK of the Town of <u>Nashville</u> , and that by authority duly given, the foregoing instrument was signed in its name by its MAYOR of the Town of <u>Nashville</u> , sealed with its corporate seal, and attested by <u>Lou Bunch</u> as its TOWN CLERK. Witness my hand and official seal this the <u>4th</u> day of <u>March</u> , 20 <u>20</u> <u>Jontesca D. Silver</u> Notary Public My commission expires: <u>July 27, 2022</u>
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e. Mayor Brown called for Consideration of Resolution 2020-02: Resolution Approving Conveyance of Property to Another Unit of Government in North Carolina Pursuant to NCGS §160A-274.

Mayor Brown stated that on January 7, 2020, the Town of Nashville approved an interlocal agreement with Nash County for the delivery of field athletic programs at Glover Park. As part of that agreement, the Town shall transfer ownership of certain athletic equipment and field preparation equipment to Nash County. Pursuant to NCGS §160A-274, this resolution formally conveys this equipment to Nash County as per the terms of our agreement.

Council Member Taylor asked if there was a monetary value for all of this equipment. Mrs. Bishop replied that we did assign an estimate for the Gator and the mowers, but not for the other equipment. Mayor Brown asked if there would be a way to get an estimate if someone wanted that information. Mrs. Bishop replied that it would be an estimate since it is all used equipment, and some is quite old. She noted that most of that equipment for soccer and baseball was donated to the Town through LBJ Chevrolet's Youth Chevy Sports programs, and also that many of the balls were no longer

usable because of how long they had been stored. Council Member Hinton pointed out that this equipment is being given for no consideration. Mayor Pro Tem Burns commented that it is being given to benefit Glover Park where our Nashville residents will be playing sports. Mr. Lansing added that although it is given for no monetary consideration the programs will keep begin held here in the Town of Nashville. Mrs. Bishop stated that the County will also be moving their own equipment in to Glover Park to help deliver programs.

Mayor Brown called for a motion to approve the resolution. Mayor Pro Tem Burns made the motion, seconded by Council Member Hobbs. There being no discussion, Mayor Brown called for a vote. The motion was unanimously approved (4-0).

The resolution was approved as follows:

**RESOLUTION 2020-02
RESOLUTION APPROVING CONVEYANCE OF PROPERTY TO
ANOTHER UNIT OF GOVERNMENT IN NORTH CAROLINA
PURSUANT TO G.S. 160A-274**

WHEREAS, North Carolina General Statute § 160A-274 authorizes a governmental unit in this state to exchange with, lease to, lease from, sell to, or purchase from any other governmental unit any interest in real or personal property upon such terms and conditions as the governmental unit deems wise, with or without consideration; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Nashville has entered into an Inter-local Agreement with Nash County for the delivery of athletic programs at Glover Park and has determined that it is in the best interest of the Town to convey certain athletic and park maintenance equipment to Nash County, and deems it wise to do so for no consideration.

THEREFORE, THE TOWN OF NASHVILLE TOWN COUNCIL RESOLVES THAT:

1. Per the terms of the Inter-local Agreement, The Town of Nashville hereby conveys to Nash County the following property:

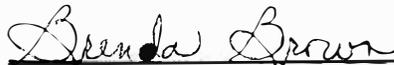
2012 Toro Mower (Model #74957-314000237)
2016 Toro Mower (Model #74296-310000319)
2014 Gator CX (Model #1M00CXRAAEM120867)
140 Football Helmets
111 Shoulder Pad Sets
264 Football Uniform Pants
100 Football Pants Pad Sets
279 Cheer Uniform Separates
54 Cheer Pom-Poms
18 Black Cheer Bags
13 Tackle Dummies
11 Hand Shields
11 Down Markers
1 Chain Set
2 End Zone Pylons
117 Football Jerseys
59 Soccer Balls
16 Soccer Corner Poles

15 Soccer Corner Flags
26 Soccer Pennies
92 Cones
16 Soccer Ball Bags
8 Baseball Bases
1 Pitching Mound
2 Pitching Machines
14 Baseball/Softball Equipment Bags
420 Baseballs
170 12" Softballs
126 11" Softballs
10 Catcher's Gloves
16 Softball Helmets
20 Baseball Helmets
12 Softball Catcher's Equipment
4 Baseball Catcher's Equipment
16 Sets of Shin Guards
16 Catcher's Helmets
9 Helmets

2. The property herein described shall be conveyed for no consideration.

3. The mayor is authorized to execute all documents necessary to convey the property in the manner authorized by this Resolution.

Adopted this the 3rd day of March, 2020.


Brenda Brown, Mayor



ATTEST:


Lou C. Bunch, Town Clerk

- f. Mayor Brown called for Consideration of Resolution 2020-03: Resolution Authorizing the Town Manager to Discard Surplus Property Pursuant to NCGS §160A-266.

Mr. Lansing explained that we had some surplus items that were put on GovDeals, but did not sell. Staff is requesting permission to discard this property. Mayor Brown asked if it had any value. Mr. Lansing replied that no one wanted these items. Council Member Hinton asked how we had accumulated so many cinderblocks. Mr. Lansing asked Mr. Denton to explain. Mr. Denton stated that they were here when he started working here, but that they were supposedly for a concession stand for one of the parks.

Mayor Brown called for a motion to approve the resolution. Council Member Hinton made the motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Burns. There being no discussion, Mayor Brown called for a vote. The motion was unanimously approved (4-0).

The resolution was approved as follows:

RESOLUTION 2020-03

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO DISCARD SURPLUS
PROPERTY PURSUANT TO NCGS §160A-266**

WHEREAS, NCGS §160A-266 allows municipalities to discard any personal property that is determined to have no value; that remains unsold or unclaimed after the municipality has exhausted all efforts to sell if using one of the authorized methods; or poses a potential threat to public health or safety.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Nashville that the Town Manager is authorized to discard the following personal property surplus items that were previously approved for sale at electronic auction:

Approved for surplus on January 7, 2020:

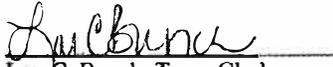
**Approx. 400 Concrete Cinder Blocks (8"x8"x16")
Sewer Lateral Camera
17 (Seventeen) Nortel Desk Phones
4 (Four) Computer Monitors
8 (Eight) Computer Keyboards**

Adopted this 3rd day of March, 2020.


Brenda Brown, Mayor



ATTEST:


Lou C. Bunch, Town Clerk

- g. Mayor Brown called for Consideration of Recommendation from the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources Advisory Board on future positioning of the department.

Mayor Brown announced that the Council has been presented with recommendations from the department on the future direction of the PRCR Department now that the Town is partnering with Nash County to offer team field athletics at Glover Park. The PRCR Advisory Board met on Monday, March 2nd to be presented with recommendations from staff for the revised Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources Department and the budget requests for FY 20-21. The recommendations from the PRCR Advisory Board will be presented to the Council tonight. Mayor Brown called on Mrs. Bishop to present the recommendations.

Mrs. Bishop read the following recommendation from the PRCR Advisory Board. After being presented with information about proposed programs, available spaces for lease, staff responsibilities and a proposed departmental budget and much discussion, the PRCR Advisory Board comprised of George Jeffries from Winwood, Mary Richardson from Regency, Melissa Lumpf from Fort Street, and Jason Edwards from Woodfield, recommends that Nashville Town Council move forward with the slated program schedule presented by the department, hire a full-time Recreation Supervisor, rent 107 W. Nashville Drive for programming and office space, and move forward with the proposed FY 20-21 budget. Moving forward with the recommendations will allow the department to enhance the quality of life for all residents and provide for future growth. She then read the following letter from Advisory Board Member Jason Edwards for the record:

Madam Mayor and Members of Council,

Thank you for allowing this letter to be read in my absence from this evening's meeting. I wanted to formally support the recommendations made by the PRCR Advisory Board. As a member of this board, a town resident, and a parent, I am excited of the possibilities and potential these changes could have. Finally, I ask that each of you support this recommendation and become more engaged with opportunities that will become available. Thank you!

Jason Edwards, 222 Woodfield Drive

Mayor Brown asked if there were any questions or discussion. Mr. Lansing informed the Council that the budget they were presented tonight is the same one that they had already received. Mrs. Bishop

noted that the rent amount has been decreased, and the van lease has also been removed. Council Member Hobbs asked if this was just a presentation of the requested budget to be considered with the entire budget. Mrs. Bishop confirmed that it was. Mayor Pro Tem Burns noted that this presented budget, with taking out the capital and the items previously shown in Non-Departmental, shows a 21% savings. Mr. Lansing stated that it is a \$66,847 difference. Mayor Pro Tem Burns pointed out that in looking at what was spent in athletics, it is a 42% savings.

Mayor Brown thanked Mrs. Bishop and stated that the Council will take this under consideration.

- h. Mayor Brown called for Consideration of a Lease Agreement for 107 W. Nashville Drive for the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources Department.

Mr. Lansing reported that the last time the Council had met, they had discussed negotiating for a lesser lease amount. He stated that the owner is not willing to take any less than \$3,000 per month for a one-year lease, but if we were willing to have a multiple-year lease then he would. If the Town were to lease the building for three years it would be \$2,500/mo. for the first year, \$2,600/mo. for the second year, and \$2,700/mo. for the third year, with an option to be renewed for two additional years at \$2,800/mo. for the fourth year, and \$2,900/mo. for the fifth year. He noted that these time frames do not match up with the one-year agreement term for our partnership with Nash County. Mayor Brown thanked Mr. Lansing for looking in to this. Council Member Taylor asked Mr. Lansing if he is requesting the Council to go ahead with this lease. Mr. Lansing stated that assuming that things go well with Nash County, which he believes they will, they will still be in this same boat in a year. If they rent this building for \$3,000 per month, they will know at the end of that year whether or not they will continue the agreement with Nash County, and they will be looking for space all over again. He commented that he does not see much, if anything, opening up between now and then. He noted that Mrs. Bishop did have a lead on another building in town, but it will not be available for over a year. He asked the Council if they are interested in voting on a multiple year lease and if not are they willing to pay \$3,000/mo. for that building. Mayor Pro Tem Burns commented that there is a nice savings on a multi-year lease, but that she does not see the Council entering into a multiple year lease because they do want to see how everything goes. She stated that while she thinks the programs will be successful, she would rather have the benefit of having a short-term one year lease. She commented that they did not originally want to go as high as the \$3,000/mo. lease, but if they can fit it in the budget and still have a 21% savings then she thinks that would be their best bet with the least amount of risk. She noted that this is included in the budget that was just presented. Council Member Hobbs stated that she would like to see the Town start moving towards something on a permanent basis, rather than renting or leasing. She commented that she realizes that makes it a tough choice because of finding the space to do something.

Council Member Hobbs asked where the current programs are being held. Mrs. Bishop replied that Karate is held in Council Chambers every Thursday night except for the 2nd Thursday of each month; Adult Partner Dancing is held at the Nashville Community Building on Wednesday nights, which is the only night they have open with the exception of a few Tuesdays; and Open Gym is held at Nashville Elementary School Gym on Tuesday and Thursday nights, unless they are "bumped" for a school event. She noted that Nash County has the gym every other night of the week. Council Member Taylor asked what we need an additional building for. Mr. Lansing replied that it would be needed for the proposed lineup of programs. Mayor Pro Tem Burns stated that she agrees that we need to be looking at something permanent, but that something permanent is not going to happen for another year or two; she commented that we need something in the temporary. Council Member Hobbs asked if there was any way they could work around something on a smaller scale. Mrs. Bishop replied that you would then be limiting any type of programming that involves a lot of movement because it becomes a safety issue. Mayor Pro Tem Burns asked what could be run out of the smaller building on Washington Street that they had looked at. Mrs. Bishop replied that you could possibly run some game nights out of there, but that parking is going to be an issue for that location. She noted that they would not have the ability to move a movie night indoors and that there is not enough space to be able to do many things that require a lot of people.

Council Member Hinton stated that maybe they need to go slowly this first year. Mr. Lansing noted that without any space we could continue to do those programs just mentioned and those that are partnered with the Library. He commented that it makes him nervous running summer camps without any permanent shelter in the event of storms. Council Member Hobbs commented that she thinks \$3,000 is a lot; Council Member Taylor and Mayor Brown agreed. Mayor Pro Tem Burns commented that it is, but that Mrs. Bishop has found the 20% that they asked her to cut including a \$3,000/mo. lease, and that they are having a really hard time finding anything for one year. Council Member Hobbs noted that there is one other thing that they may be able to consider, but that they need to evaluate that. Mayor Pro Tem

Burns stated that they could push this decision off. Council Member Hobbs agreed and asked to explore one other option that may be available before they make the decision.

Mayor Brown asked for a motion concerning the building lease at 107 W. Nashville Drive for the PRCR Department. Council Member Taylor asked Mr. Lansing when he needed to respond to the owner. Mr. Lansing replied that he told him he would get back with him soon. Mayor Pro Tem Burns told Mrs. Bishop that she know that she needs to start programming and asked if it would be the “end of the world” if was put off for a couple of weeks. Mrs. Bishop replied that the only thing they are risking at this point in time is summer camps. Council Member Taylor made a motion to table this item until they do some more investigating, seconded by Council Member Hinton. There being no discussion, Mayor Brown called for a vote. The motion was unanimously approved (4-0).

6. Mayor Brown called for the Manager’s Report.

Mr. Lansing reported that the Library roof has been rehabbed. This week he will begin having departmental budget meetings with Mrs. Sanchez and the Department Heads to start putting together the budget. He noted that the preliminary numbers from Nash County only show a 0.19% increase in taxable value over the previous year. The Police Department is now online with Zeurcher, and the Fire Department will also be able to get some benefit from the software once it is connected. The second carport has been installed to store the ladder truck. Cary Fire Department is running inspections on their trucks so they may have the ladder truck for a few more days. Council Member Taylor commented that he thought the carport would be covered on the backend; he did not realize that it was only enclosed on the sides. Mayor Pro Tem Burns commented that the carport does not solve the squirrel problem. Mr. Lansing informed the Council that they gotten a lead on some possible land for a second fire station; he met with the property owner along with Mayor Brown and Chief Joyner. He commented that it sounds promising. Council Member Hinton asked what the cost of the carport was. Mr. Lansing replied that it was \$9,800, and it came from the funds that the County keeps for us.

7. Mayor Brown called for Council Comments.

Council Member Hobbs stated that she does not want the public or Mrs. Bishop to think that she has changed her position on the PRCR Department, that she is still very supportive of the department’s programs, and that she is willing to entertain a one-year lease if something could be worked out where they could find something at a better price. She also stated that she is hopeful that there may be another opportunity for them that could be investigated very quickly. She commented that she feels they need to step back from that tonight and see how that might look. She added that she thought that maybe the fire station land could also be a place where they could add on to build a community center that could be a facility used for town purposes. She stated that they are in a mode where they need to be in a forward thinking position and she is trying to weigh everything out as best as she can to make good, sound decisions for the Town.

Mayor Pro Tem Burns congratulated Chief Joyner and the Fire Department for their achievement. She also congratulated Mrs. Sanchez, Mr. Denton and Mr. Manning on their achievements.

Council Member Taylor commented that he understands that they need to find a place for Mrs. Bishop to continue the department, but in talking with the general public he does not know if a 21% reduction from last year’s budget would be enough or how it would be accepted by the public. He told Mrs. Bishop that they are going to find her something, but they need to be cautious and move slow. He stated that he is in support of having her find a place to go and asked Mrs. Bishop to not lose hope. Mr. Taylor also commented that he hopes everyone made it to the polls and exercised their right to vote.

Council Member Hinton commented that the greater picture is that there are lot of unknowns in this world, particularly the financial picture because we do not know how the coronavirus is going to affect us. She stated that while we do not want to live in fear, we have to be vigilant and cautious, particularly about finances. She encouraged everyone to stay prepared.

Mayor Brown thanked everyone for coming out and stated that it is always nice to see friendly faces. She told Mrs. Bishop that she appreciates what she does and commented that we are going to have a good program. Mayor Brown also congratulated and thanked the employees recognized tonight, as well as the Fire Department.

8. Mayor Brown called for a motion to go in to Closed Session pursuant to NCGS §143-318.11 (a) (5) Real Estate. Council Member Hinton made the motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Burns.

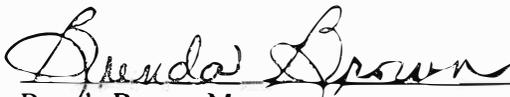
There being no discussion, Mayor Brown called for a vote. The motion was unanimously approved (4-0). Members of Council moved to private Council Chambers at 7:51 PM.

At 8:10 PM, members of Council returned to Open Chambers. Mayor Brown called for a motion to come out of Closed Session. Council Member Hobbs made the motion, seconded by Council Member Taylor. There being no discussion, Mayor Brown called for a vote. The motion was unanimously approved (4-0).

Mayor Brown announced that the Council discussed a real estate issue and no decisions were made.

9. There being no further business, Mayor Brown called for a motion to adjourn. Council Member Taylor made the motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Burns. There being no discussion, Mayor Brown called for a vote. The motion was unanimously approved (4-0).

Mayor Brown declared the meeting adjourned at 8:11 PM.



Brenda Brown, Mayor

ATTEST:



Lou C. Bunch, Town Clerk