

**MINUTES OF
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 14, 2014, 5:30 P.M.
CITY HALL, PIGEON FORGE, TENNESSEE**

Mayor Wear called the meeting to order with the following in attendance: Vice Mayor McClure, Commissioner Brackins, Commissioner Ogle, Commissioner Reagan, Assistant City Manager Brackins, City Recorder Clabo, City Attorney Gass, members of the press and interested citizens. City Manager Teaster was absent.

Mayor Wear opened the meeting and Vice Mayor McClure led in the pledge of allegiance.

Before the meeting, Nathan Wyrick was thanked for his outstanding service to the City of Pigeon Forge. As his service dog Ben was being retired, it was recommended that the dog be placed with Officer Wyrick for \$1. On a motion by Commissioner Reagan, second by Vice Mayor McClure, it was unanimously approved to accept the request as presented.

PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing to receive public comment regarding the proposed amendment to the zoning map of Pigeon Forge, Tennessee by rezoning parcel 87.02 of tax map 093 (located on Wears Valley Road Highway 321) from R-1 (low density residential) district to C-6 (mixed-use commercial) district.

There being no comments received, the public hearing was closed.

REGULAR MEETING

The minutes were unanimously approved following motion by Commissioner Brackins and second to motion by Vice Mayor McClure.

Mayor Wear asked if there were any comments from citizens.

Jake Suttles stated he had taken his sons fishing during the latest rod run and on his way home we was stuck in traffic and witnessed things such as nudity and asked if there was something council could do to address the situation.

No other comments were received.

The authorization for the payment of bills was presented for approval. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Ogle, it was unanimously approved to accept the bills as presented.

Old Business

Ordinance No. 980 to amend the zoning map of Pigeon Forge, Tennessee by rezoning parcel 87.02 of tax map 093 (located on Wears Valley Road Highway 321) from R-1 (low density residential) district to C-6 (mixed use commercial) district was presented on the second reading. Community Development Director Taylor presented. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Reagan, and with all voting "aye" the motion was approved on the second reading.

New Business

Resolution No. 805 to authorize a resolution for an EACA amendment to the deferred compensation plan for the City of Pigeon Forge was presented for approval. Kevin Ownby and Chris Kitrell were in attendance to discuss. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Ogle, and with all voting "aye" the motion was approved.

Ordinance No. 981 to amend the zoning map of Pigeon Forge, Tennessee by rezoning parcel 38.00 of tax map 084 (located on Veterans Boulevard) from R-1 (low density residential) district to C-6 (mixed use commercial) district was presented on the first reading. Community Development Director Taylor presented. On a motion by Commissioner Brackins, second by Vice Mayor McClure, and with all voting "aye" the motion was approved on the first reading.

Ordinance No. 982 to eliminate the requirement for a public hearing when amending the City's personnel policies was presented on the first reading. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Ogle, the motion was approved on the first reading. Commissioner Reagan voted no.

Discussion and consideration of a change order from Charles Blalock and Sons for Jake Thomas Road reducing the costs by \$134,370 due to drainage changes was presented for approval. Jason Brady with Gresham Smith presented and it was noted that the drainage trunk line was re-designed bypassing the hotel site at the corner of Jake Thomas Road and Teaster Lane. The original plan included running a 60" RCP across the hotel site and tying into the existing box culvert along Teaster Lane. The revised plan reduced the pipe size to 48" and runs the system along the northern border of the hotel site and provides a new crossing of Teaster Lane. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Brackins, it was approved to accept the change order as presented. Commissioner Reagan abstained from the vote.

Discussion and consideration of bid for 60' median poles and LED luminaires from Graybar was presented for approval. Public Works Director Miller presented and recommended low bid from Graybar. Following discussion and on a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Ogle, it was unanimously approved to defer the request to an upcoming work session.

Discussion and consideration of proposal from CDM Smith for design work on intersection improvements for the roadway and traffic signal on Veterans Boulevard at the Dollywood Dream More Resort entrance and the future Jake Thomas Road was presented for approval. John Hunter with CDM Smith presented and stated that the proposal would include the following: 1) surveying \$8,700; 2) roadway design \$26,700; 3) traffic signal design \$10,000; 4) coordination and meetings \$7,500; and 5) bid documents and assistance \$10,000 for a total of \$62,900. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Ogle, it was unanimously approved to accept the request as presented.

Discussion and consideration of a lease agreement with the Boys and Girls Club for the land located next to the tennis courts was presented for approval. City Attorney Gass noted that this would be a 20 year term at a cost of \$25 per year. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Reagan, it was unanimously approved to accept the request as presented.

Discussion and consideration of bid to construct a new building maintenance building from McSpadden, Inc. was presented for approval. Parks and Recreation Director Wilbanks presented and recommended low bid in the amount of \$219,000. On a motion by Commissioner Brackins, second by Vice Mayor McClure, it was unanimously approved to accept the bid as presented.

Discussion and consideration of a contract with Carroll & Company Consultants for a TDOT Compliance review for the Trolley Department was presented for approval. Mass Transit Director Marine presented and stated that the contract would not exceed \$3,600. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Reagan, it was unanimously approved to accept the agreement as presented.

Discussion and consideration of bid to purchase a genie boom lift for the LeConte Center from Stowers Rents was presented for approval. LeConte Center Manager Campbell presented and recommended the low bid in the amount of \$52,190. On a motion by Commissioner Brackins, second by Commissioner Ogle, it was unanimously approved to accept the bid as presented.

Manager's report included the following:

1. The next regularly scheduled meeting will take place April 28, 2014.
2. City offices will be closed for Good Friday April 18, 2014.
3. There will be a planning commission meeting on Tuesday April 22, 2014 at 3:00 p.m. in the council room at City Hall.
4. There will be a beer board meeting on Wednesday April 23, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. in the council room at City Hall.
5. Pigeon Forge Community Night will take place Tuesday April 15, 2014 at the Pigeon Forge High School at 4:30 p.m.
6. Forever Parks Foundation will hold groundbreaking meeting for playground equipment Wednesday April 16, 2014.
7. The new ladder truck for the fire department is set up outside if anyone wants to view it.
8. Would like to get dates for a possible work session.
9. The 1st annual City 5k will be held Thursday April 17, 2014 for employees.

Mayor Wear asked for comments from the board.

Commissioner Ogle thanked the police department and all that helped during the recent rod run.

Commissioner Reagan would like to put up some type of cone or barrier on river road to help with right turn traffic. He also asked everyone to keep family of fire victims in prayers.

Mayor Wear asked board to seek request from Sevier County to participate in Cal Ripken Project. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Ogle, it was unanimously approved.

Mayor Wear suggested reactivating car show committee to address several concerns. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Brackins, it was unanimously approved.

Mayor Wear asked everyone to keep long time employee Ralph Delinger in prayers for health issues.

Having no other comments received, the meeting was duly adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

APPROVED: _____
MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
CITY RECORDER