MINUTES OF CITY COMMISSION MEETING MONDAY, DECEMBER 22 2008, 5:30 P.M. CITY HALL, PIGEON FORGE, TENNESSEE

Mayor Whaley called the meeting to order with the following in attendance: Commissioner Brackins, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Sexton, City Manager Teaster, City Recorder Clabo, members of the press and interested citizens.

Mayor Whaley opened the meeting and Commissioner Sexton led in the pledge of allegiance.

REGULAR MEETING

The minutes were unanimously approved following motion by Commissioner Brackins and second to motion by Commissioner Reagan.

The authorization for the payment of bills was unanimously approved following motion by Commissioner Reagan and second to motion by Commissioner Brackins.

Ordinance No. 884 to amend the zoning map of Pigeon Forge, Tennessee by rezoning parcels 114.00 and 114.02 of tax map 83 (located on Sugar Hollow Road) owned by Eric Kelch, from R-1 (Low Density Residential) to C-2 (Tourist Commercial) was presented for the first reading. Ordinance failed due to lack of motion.

Approval of bid for purchase of one (1) fire engine pumper was presented for approval. Fire Chief Watson stated that three bids had been received and he recommended the bid from 4 Guys with a base bid of \$432,341 plus safety options in the amount of \$10,243 for a total of \$442,584. On a motion by Commissioner Brackins, second by Commissioner Reagan, it was unanimously approved to accept the bid as presented.

Approval purchase of uniforms for police department from Whole Armor per current budget was presented for approval. Police Chief Baldwin stated he recommended the purchase in the amount of \$17,839.15. On a motion by Commissioner Reagan, second by Commissioner Brackins, it was unanimously approved to accept the request as presented.

Approval of In-Lieu of Property Tax contract with City of Sevierville detailing the distribution of the Sevier County Electric System tax equivalents was presented for approval. Per City Manager Teaster, the City of Pigeon Forge will receive \$218,406.59. On a motion by Commissioner Brackins, second by Commissioner Reagan, it was unanimously approved to accept the request as presented.

Approval of bid for replacement for the #2 belt press control panel at the wastewater treatment plant was presented for approval. Martin Cross stated that he recommended the low bid from Tennessee Armature and Electric in the amount of \$16,642. On a motion by Commissioner Brackins, second by Commissioner Reagan, it was unanimously approved to accept the bid as presented.

Annual audit was presented for approval. City Manager Teaster explained that this was the same report that had been discussed with council at a previous work session at length and that Larry Elmore with Pugh and Company was in attendance to answer any questions. On a motion

by Commissioner Reagan, second by Commissioner Brackins, it was unanimously approved to accept the audit as presented.

Garbage collection fee for Pigeon Forge schools and disposition of current balance was presented for approval. City Manager Teaster stated that this had been discussed at a previous work session regarding existing outstanding balance owed by Sevier County, proposed charge for dumpster pickup, and locks on dumpsters. Following discussion, it was recommended by Commissioner Reagan, seconded by Commissioner Sexton and unanimously approved to charge \$3 per pickup per dumpster for four yard dumpster, add locks to school dumpsters at schools expense, and recalculate outstanding balance to reflect current pickup charge of \$3 and to waive any penalties to date.

Acceptance of land donation for future road project by Lynn and Peggy Cole was presented for approval. On a motion by Commissioner Reagan, second by Commissioner Brackins, it was unanimously approved to accept land as presented.

Consideration of increased four thousand dollar (\$4,000) matching grant from Tennessee Department of Agriculture's Division of Forestry for additional trees for Riverwalk project was presented for approval. Parks and Recreation Director Wilbanks stated that the original grant match was in the amount of \$5,289 and this would increase by \$4,000 to \$9,289. On a motion by Commissioner Brackins, second by Commissioner Reagan, it was unanimously approved to accept the grant as presented.

Manager's report included the following:

- 1. The next regularly scheduled council meeting will be on January 12, 2009. At that meeting, there will be a Public Hearing on Ordinance 883.
- 2. There will be a Planning Commission meeting on January 20, 2009 at 3:00 p.m. in the council room of City Hall.
- 3. City offices will be closed on December 24th, 25th, and 26th to observe the Christmas Holiday. In addition, city offices will be closed January 1st 2009 for New Years Day.

After general comments, and Mark Miller offering a closing prayer, the meeting was duly adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

		APPROVED:			
			MAYOR		
ATTEST:					
	CITY RECORDER				