

**MINUTES OF
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
MONDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2020, 5:30 P.M.
CITY HALL, PIGEON FORGE, TENNESSEE**

Mayor Wear called the meeting to order with the following in attendance: Commissioner Maples, Commissioner Ogle, Commissioner Watts, City Manager Teaster, City Recorder Clabo, City Attorney Rowell and interested citizens. Vice Mayor McClure was absent.

Mayor Wear opened the meeting and Commissioner Ogle led in the pledge of allegiance.

PUBLIC HEARING 1

A public hearing to receive comment regarding amend the zoning map of Pigeon Forge, Tennessee by rezoning parcel 26.00, 27.00, 30.00, portions of 34.00 and 83.02 on tax map 83 at 129 Sugarfoot Way, McGill Street and Community Center Drive from M-1 (Industrial) District to C-2 (Tourist Commercial) District.

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

PUBLIC HEARING 2

A public hearing to receive comment regarding amending article IX (exceptions and modification), by adding section 907 (“pedestrian bridges across the West Prong of the Little Pigeon River”) to the text of the Zoning Ordinance of Pigeon Forge, Tennessee.

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

REGULAR MEETING

The minutes were unanimously approved following motion by Commissioner Maples and second to motion by Commissioner Watts.

Mayor Wear asked if there were any comments from citizens.

No comments were received.

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

Old Business

Ordinance No. 1102 to amend the zoning map of Pigeon Forge, Tennessee by rezoning parcels 26.00, 27.00, 30.00, portions of 34.00 and 83.02 on tax map 83 at 129

Sugarfoot Way, McGill Street and Community Center Drive from M-1 (Industrial) District to C-2 (Tourist Commercial) District was presented on the second reading. Community Development Director Taylor presented. On a motion by Commissioner Watts, second by Commissioner Maples, the motion was approved on the second reading.

Ordinance No. 1103 to amend article IX (exceptions and modification), by adding section 907 (“pedestrian bridges across the West Prong of the Little Pigeon River”) to the text of the Zoning Ordinance of Pigeon Forge, Tennessee was presented on the second reading. Community Development Director Taylor presented. On a motion by Commissioner Maples, second by Commissioner Ogle, and with all voting “aye” the motion was approved on the second reading.

New Business

Discussion and consideration of the 2021 Spring/Summer Marketing plan for the department of tourism was presented for approval. Brian Gilpatrick and Tony Gerstner were in attendance to discuss and highlighted the engagement plan in different markets. On a motion by Commissioner Maples, second by Commissioner Watts, it was unanimously approved to accept proposal as presented.

Discussion and consideration of a pay and classification study for the City of Pigeon Forge from Burris, Thompson and Associates was presented for approval. City Manager Teaster presented and noted that the study should not exceed \$20,000 and we would have results by March 2021. On a motion by Commissioner Ogle, second by Commissioner Watts, it was unanimously approved to accept the study as presented.

Discussion and consideration of bid to purchase chemicals for the water treatment plant from American Development, Brenntag Mid-South and Univar USA, Inc. was presented for approval. Public Works Director Miller presented and stated that vendors had agreed to hold price for an additional year and recommended held bid amount from Univar USA, Inc. for caustic soda in the amount of \$0.8045 per gallon; the held bid from American Development for aqua-mag in the amount of \$10.25 per gallon; and the held bid from Brenntag Mid-South for fluoride in the amount of \$2.125 per gallon and bleach in the amount of \$0.9025 per gallon. On a motion by Commissioner Watts, second by Commissioner Maples, it was unanimously approved to accept the held bid prices as presented.

Discussion and consideration of an amendment to an existing contract with Gresham Smith for a flood study for the area behind KOA Campground was presented for approval. Shap Stiles with Gresham Smith presented and noted that the additional costs were estimated at \$77,400. On a motion by Commissioner Watts, second by Commissioner Maples, it was unanimously approved to accept the request as presented.

Discussion and consideration to approve the purchase of several capital items for various city departments was presented for approval. Mayor Wear stated that this had been presented earlier at a work session. Finance Director Clabo noted that the recommendation would be to amend the budget by \$1,493,163. In addition, the following capital items would be authorized to be purchased that have been properly bid. They include LED lighting upgrade for community center, replacement of bowling center flooring, SCBA and rit-paks for the fire department, video cameras for LeConte bridge, Microsoft Office Pro Plus 2019

for all departments, PCs and monitors for 9 employees, replacement copier for the police department, greenway sweeper, two police vehicles and equipment, Peterbilt garbage truck, street sweeper, and Peterbilt water truck. The remaining items approved will be brought back for consideration once they have been properly bid. On a motion by Commissioner Ogle, second by Commissioner Watts, it was unanimously approved to accept the request as presented.

Discussion and consideration to recycle old city cell phones utilizing Pace Butler was presented for approval. IT Director Ogle presented. On a motion by Commissioner Watts, second by Commissioner Maples, it was unanimously approved to accept the request as presented.

Manager's report included the following:

1. City offices will be closed December 24, 25, and 28 to observe Christmas Holiday.
2. City offices will be closed January 1, 2021 to observe New Year's Day Holiday.
3. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be January 11, 2021.
4. Would ask to pay bills the week of December 28th that are due and provide council with list at the January 11, 2021 meeting. On a motion by Commissioner Maples, second by Commissioner Watts, it was unanimously approved to pay bills as requested.

Mayor Wear asked for comments from the board.

Commissioner Ogle wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Having no other comments received, the meeting was duly adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

APPROVED: _____
MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
CITY RECORDER