

**MINUTES OF  
CITY COMMISSION MEETING  
MONDAY, AUGUST 13 2007, 5:30 P.M.  
CITY HALL, PIGEON FORGE, TENNESSEE**

Mayor Whaley called the meeting to order with the following in attendance: Vice Mayor McClure, Commissioner Brackins, Commissioner Reagan, City Manager Teaster, City Recorder Clabo, City Attorney Gass, Public Works Director Miller, Community Development Director Jagger, members of the press and interested citizens. Commissioner Sexton was absent.

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

**PUBLIC HEARING 1**

Mayor Whaley opened the public hearing to receive public comment regarding a request to rezone parcel B-8 of Sevier County tax map 93-H, located at 2844 Goose Gap Road, owned by Robert and Connie Mathis and others, from R-1 (Low Density Residential) to C-3 (Neighborhood Commercial).

There being no comments received, Mayor Whaley closed the public hearing.

**PUBLIC HEARING 2**

Mayor Whaley opened the public hearing to receive public comment regarding a request to rezone parcel 9 of Sevier County tax map 73 and parcel 2 of Sevier County tax map 84, located along Veterans Boulevard, owned by James Fox and Martin Roberts, from R-1 (Low Density Residential) to C-2 (Tourist Commercial).

There being no comments received, Mayor Whaley closed the public hearing.

**REGULAR MEETING**

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

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

**Ordinance No. 838** to amend the zoning map of Pigeon Forge, Tennessee, by rezoning parcel B-8 of tax map 93-H owned by Robert and Connie Mathis and others, from R-1 (Low Density Residential) to C-3 (Neighborhood Commercial) was presented for the second reading. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Reagan and with all voting "aye" the ordinance was approved on the second reading.

**Ordinance No. 840** to amend the zoning map of Pigeon Forge, Tennessee by rezoning parcel 9 of tax map 73 and parcel 2 of tax map 84, owned by James Fox and Martin Roberts, from R-1 (Low Density Residential) to C-2 (Tourist Commercial) was presented for the second reading. On a motion by Commissioner Brackins, second by Vice Mayor McClure, the ordinance was approved on the second reading. Mayor Whaley abstained from the vote.

**Ordinance No. 842** to amend the zoning map of Pigeon Forge, Tennessee, by rezoning parcels 52, 53.01 and 55 of Sevier County tax map 84, owned by Dollywood, from R-1 (Low Density Residential) to C-5 (Commercial Amusement Park) was presented for the first reading. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Brackins and with all voting “aye” the ordinance was approved on the first reading.

Approval of agreement with SSR, Inc. to prepare plans and specifications for painting and repairing Montewood water tank was presented for approval. Public Works Director Miller stated that state required an inspection and cleaning be done every five years on water tanks. This agreement will cost \$7,500 and also allows \$980 per trip for scheduled inspections. On a motion by Commissioner Brackins, second by Vice Mayor McClure, it was unanimously approved to accept the agreement as presented.

The presentation and approval of 2007-2008 advertising campaign for the department of tourism was presented for approval. The campaign was presented by David Bohan, Brian Gilpatrick, and Donnette Engebrecht. The campaign for the upcoming year will focus on a new base of visitors instead of emphasizing so heavily on existing visitors. There was general discussion on the type of commercials and print that would be created under the new campaign. Council thanked Bohan for doing a good job. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Brackins, it was unanimously approved to accept the advertising campaign as presented.

Approval of contract with AV Squad for City tourism filming and City promotional video was presented for approval. Executive Director of Tourism Downey stated that the contract would include filming of four videos and the contract would be done within the approved budget. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Brackins, it was unanimously approved to accept the contract as presented.

Approval of bid per current budget for color copier for community center was presented for approval. Parks and Recreation Director Wilbanks stated that three bids were received and he was recommending the low bid from Image Matters at a cost of \$15,494. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Brackins, it was unanimously approved to accept the low bid as presented.

Approval of bid for rubber flooring for community center conference room was presented for approval. Parks and Recreation Director Wilbanks stated that only one bid

was received for the rubberized floor in the wellness center. He was recommending the sole bid from Exercise Essentials at a cost of \$7,586.25. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Brackins, it was unanimously approved to accept the bid as presented.

Approval of bid to refinish gym floor in community center per current budget was presented for approval. Parks and Recreation Director Wilbanks stated that he was recommending the sole bid from Finchum Sports Floors at a cost of \$5,500. On a motion by Commissioner Brackins, second by Vice Mayor McClure, it was unanimously approved to accept the bid as presented.

Approval of annual bid for uniforms for public works department was presented for approval. Public Works Director Miller stated that he recommended G & K Services. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Reagan, it was unanimously approved to accept the bid as presented.

Authorization to purchase through federal grant funds an evidence server and five in car video units was presented for approval. Chief Baldwin stated that the cost would be funded by a federal grant. The cost for all items would be a total of \$56,141.50. On a motion by Commissioner Brackins, second by Commissioner Reagan, it was unanimously approved to accept the purchase as presented.

Approval of radio and communication equipment under U.S. Government General Purchasing Services Pricing for fire department per current budget was presented for approval. Chris Knutsen stated that the list of items to be purchased were: eight portable radios, eight speaker microphones, seven minitor V pagers, four HT 750 radio chargers, four HT 1000 radio chargers, five speaker microphones for HT 750 radios, five speaker microphones for HT 1000 radios, and two surveillance microphones. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Reagan, it was unanimously approved to accept the request as presented.

Approval of purchase of replacement copier for library under State and Local Government. City Manager Teaster stated that the copier would be purchased at a cost of \$8,713 and was included in the budget. On a motion by Commissioner Brackins, second by Commissioner Reagan, it was unanimously approved to accept the request as presented.

Approval of purchase of digital stage piano for community chorus was presented for approval. City Manager Teaster stated that this was a budgeted amount and would cost \$1,299. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Brackins, it was unanimously approved to accept the request as presented.

Manager's report included the following:

1. Old Mill Square is requesting to close road for event on September 22, 2007 from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second

by Commissioner Brackins, it was unanimously approved to accept the request as presented.

2. There will be a planning commission meeting on August 28, 2007 at 5:30 p.m. in the council room.
3. A public hearing will be held on Ordinance No. 842 on September 10, 2007 at city hall in the council room at 5:30 p.m.
4. The next council meeting will be held August 27, 2007.
5. A ridge top meeting is currently being held at this time. A second one is scheduled for August 14, 2007 at the Pigeon Forge High School.

Mayor Whaley asked for comments from the floor or Board.

Michael McCall thanked council for supporting advertising.

Bob Sutton made general comments.

There being no further comments, and Public Works Director Miller offering a closing prayer, the meeting was duly adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
MAYOR

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY RECORDER