

**MINUTES OF
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
MONDAY, DECEMBER 8 2008, 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, Commissioner Sexton, City Manager Teaster, City Recorder Clabo, City Attorney Gass, members of the press and interested citizens.

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 the proposed de-annexation of certain property located along the southwest side of Upper Middle Creek Road from the corporate limits of Pigeon Forge, owned by Brent Shults.

Keith Shults was in attendance stating he was for the de-annexation.

There be no further comments received, the public hearing was closed.

PUBLIC HEARING 2

Mayor Whaley opened the public hearing to receive public comment regarding the proposed amendment to Section 709 (C-5 Commercial Amusement Park District).

Mike Teske was in attendance for Dollywood stating he was for the amendment.

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

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 Vice Mayor McClure.

Ordinance No. 881 to de-annex certain property located along the southwest side of Upper Middle Creek Road from the corporate limits of Pigeon Forge, Tennessee. Said property being owned by Brent Shults was presented for the second reading. On a motion by Commissioner Reagan, second by Vice Mayor McClure and with all voting "aye" the motion was approved on the second reading.

Ordinance No. 882 to amend Section 709 (C-5 Commercial Amusement Park District) of the text of the zoning ordinance of Pigeon Forge, Tennessee was presented for the second

reading. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Brackins and with all voting "aye" the motion was approved on the second reading.

Ordinance No. 883 to amend the zoning map of Pigeon Forge, Tennessee by rezoning parcel 3.00 of tax map 84 (located on east side Veterans Boulevard, south of Jayell Road) owned by Ronald Ogle, from R-2 (High Density Residential) to C-2 (Tourist Commercial) was presented for the first reading. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Reagan and with all voting "aye" the motion was approved on the first reading.

Approval of purchase of Motorola Printrak Livescan for police department was presented for approval. Police Chief Baldwin presented and stated that this would replace the existing machine that is several years old. The unit cost is \$32,815 which includes free installation (\$1,000 value) and free training (\$2,400 value). On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Reagan, it was unanimously approved to accept request as presented.

Approval of purchase of trees for Riverwalk Greenway Project through grant and City funds was presented for approval. Parks and Recreation Director Wilbanks stated that he recommended the low bid from David's Nursery at a cost of \$4,523. On a motion by Commissioner Brackins, second by Vice Mayor McClure, it was unanimously approved to accept request as presented.

Approval of three (3) compact trucks for parks and recreation was presented for approval. Parks and Recreation Director Wilbanks stated that these would be replacement vehicles and he recommended the low bid from Ted Russell Ford at a unit cost of \$12,794 and a total cost of \$38,382. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Brackins, it was unanimously approved to accept the bid as presented.

Approval of vehicles for public works administration, street department, sanitation department and water plant was presented for approval. Public Works Director Miller stated that he recommended the low bid from McNelly Whaley Ford for two ½ ton 4X4 trucks for the utility department and street department at a unit cost of \$23,197.65; one ¾ ton 4X4 truck for the street department at a unit cost of \$19,479.69; one SUV 4X4 for public works administration at a unit cost of \$21,998.65; and one ¾ ton 4X4 utility bed truck for street department at a unit cost of \$23,880.69 for a total cost of \$111,754.33. Miller also recommended a low bid from Dean Stallings Ford for two ½ ton 4X4 trucks for the water plant and sanitation department at a unit cost of \$21,574 for a total cost of \$43,148. On a motion by Commissioner Brackins, second by Vice Mayor McClure, it was unanimously approved to accept the request as presented.

Approval of bid on chemicals for water plant was presented for approval. Public Works Director Miller stated that the items bid were caustic soda, bleach, coagulant, aqua-mag, and fluoride. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Reagan, it was unanimously approved to accept the bid as presented.

Approval of bid on primary digester cleaning and repair was presented for approval. Sam Harrison with SSR presented and stated that he recommended low bid from Merit Construction with a base bid of \$148,750 and a unit price bid of \$3,480 per foot. On a

motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Brackins, it was unanimously approved to accept the bid as presented.

Approval of bid on Red Roof Interceptor Phase II was presented for approval. Sam Harrison with SSR presented and stated that he recommended the low bid from Charles Blalock and Sons, Inc. in the amount of \$2,154,618. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Reagan, it was unanimously approved to accept the bid as presented.

Consideration of bid on McCarter Hollow water and sewer improvements was presented for approval. Guy Wantiez with Vision Engineering stated he recommended awarding low bid on the waterline project to Mikes Pump Service at a cost of \$138,158. Mr. Wantiez recommended awarding the low bid on the sewerline project to Clifton Construction at a cost of \$328,891. On a motion by Commissioner Brackins, second by Vice Mayor McClure, it was unanimously approved to accept the bid as presented.

Consideration of extension agreement with Bob Porter was presented for approval. City Attorney Gass stated that the extension is to allow an extended period of an additional two years and that the City shall have two years from December 28, 2008 through December 8, 2010 to commence construction of all work contemplated under the MOU. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Reagan, it was unanimously approved to accept the extension as presented.

Consideration of proposal to do an engineering study on Kings Hills pump station and force main was presented for approval. Public Works Director Miller stated Norvell & Poe proposed furnishing an engineering study for a fee of \$3,500 and an estimated design fee for the pump station and force main to be approximately \$14,000. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Brackins, it was approved to accept proposal as presented. Commissioner Reagan abstained from the vote.

Consideration of proposal from Wilbur Smith & Associates for economic development consulting through June 30, 2009 was presented for approval. City Manager Teaster discussed and stated that the requested budget is in the amount of \$140,000. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Brackins, it was unanimously approved to accept the proposal as presented.

Manager's report included the following:

1. There will be a work session on December 10, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. in Meeting Room A of the City Hall Complex.
2. There will be an Advisor Board Meeting on December 10, 2008.
3. The Christmas tree lighting will be on Thursday December 11, 2008 at the Community Center.
4. The City Christmas lunch will be held on Wednesday December 17, 2008 at 11:30 a.m. at the Community Center.

5. There will be a Public Hearing on Ordinance number 883 on January 12, 2009 in the council room of City Hall.
6. Eric Brackins has been hired as the Assistant City Manager and David Taylor has been hired as the Director of Community Development and Chief Planner.

After general comments, and Mark Miller offering a closing prayer, the meeting was duly adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

APPROVED: _____
MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
CITY RECORDER