

**MINUTES OF  
CITY COMMISSION MEETING  
MONDAY, MARCH 10, 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, City Manager Teaster, City Recorder Clabo, City Attorney Gass, members of the press and interested citizens.

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

Before the regular meeting, Mayor Wear recognized Ray Ogle who introduced the Tourism Advisory Board and presented an Emmy award that had been given to the Department of Tourism for 2013 Best Commercial Spot.

Mayor Wear also recognized Laura Howard with Keep Sevier Beautiful and Earl Ward who presented Brad Lowe in the Police Department with the Litter Prevention Officer of the Year award.

Mayor Wear read a Proclamation proclaiming March 25, 2014 as First Tennessee Day.

**PUBLIC HEARING 1**

A public hearing to receive public comment regarding the proposed amendment to the zoning ordinance of Pigeon Forge, Tennessee with the addition of section 415 (caretakers quarters) to article IV of the zoning text.

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

**PUBLIC HEARING 2**

A public hearing to receive public comment regarding the proposed amendment to the zoning map of Pigeon Forge, Tennessee, to rezone certain properties located along Pinyon Circle in the Whaley Hills subdivision from R-1 (low density residential) district to R-2 (high density residential) district.

Charles Taylor and Treva Johnson were in attendance and stated that they were in favor of the rezoning.

There being no further 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.

No 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. 977** to amend the zoning ordinance of Pigeon Forge, Tennessee with addition of section 415 (caretakers quarters) to article IV of the zoning text was presented on the second reading. Community Development Director Taylor presented and stated that this will prohibit someone from setting up residence on site. 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. 978** to amend the zoning map of Pigeon Forge, Tennessee, to rezone certain properties located along Pinyon Circle in the Whaley Hills subdivision from R-1 (low density residential) district to R-2 (high density residential) 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.

**Ordinance No. 979** to amend ordinance No. 963 annual appropriations for fiscal year 2013-2014 was presented on the second reading. City Recorder Clabo presented. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Brackins, and with all voting "aye" the motion was approved on the second reading.

### **New 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 first reading. Community Development Director Taylor presented and stated that this had been recommended by Planning Commission. On a motion by Commissioner Brackins, second by Commissioner Reagan, and with all voting "aye" the motion was approved on the first reading.

Discussion and consideration of bid to purchase semi-automated carts from Schaefer Systems for the Sanitation Department was presented for approval. Public Works Director Miller presented and stated he recommended the low bid that met specifications at a cost of \$56.02 per cart. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Ogle, it was unanimously approved to accept the bid as presented.

Discussion and consideration of bid to purchase concession stand food supplies from Sysco for the Parks and Recreation Department was presented for approval. Parks and Recreation Director Wilbanks stated that the bids were based on unit prices and he recommended the low bid in the amount of \$13,243.47. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Brackins, it was unanimously approved to accept the bid as presented.

Discussion and consideration to execute a closing for the FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant program in the amount of \$252,000 was presented for approval. Community Development Director Taylor presented and stated that the settlement statement was in the amount of \$251,400 as the contract price and \$598 in settlement charges for a total of \$251,998. It was requested that if approved that the total amount could be included with the bills to be paid on Tuesday 3/11/14. On a motion by Commissioner Reagan, second by Vice Mayor McClure, it was unanimously approved to accept the request as presented.

Discussion and consideration of an agreement with Crook and Company for acquisition services related to the Riverwalk Greenway project was presented for approval. City Manager Teaster presented and explained that the Riverwalk plan has increased from 4 parcels to 8 parcels since the initial proposal in 2011. It is requested that an additional \$5,000 be approved based on additional scope of work. 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 TDOT CMAZ grant application in a joint effort with the City of Sevierville for traffic coordination was presented for approval. Houston Daugherty presented and stated that any motion would merely be to support the process as no local funds would be required and the City of Sevierville would be the primary contact. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Ogle, it was unanimously approved to accept the application as presented.

Discussion and consideration of an agreement with Verizon Wireless Tennessee to operate a temporary communications facility at the Teaster Lane proposed Trolley Center Site was presented for approval. Information Technology Director Ogle presented and stated that this would be used at no cost to the City when some of the car shows are in town to help with coverage. On a motion by Commissioner Ogle, second by Vice Mayor McClure, it was unanimously approved to accept the request as presented.

Discussion and consideration of proposal for banking services was presented for approval. City Recorder Clabo presented. It was noted that a proposal had been received from SunTrust Bank, SmartBank, and Citizens National Bank. City Recorder Clabo stated that the fixed fee would be less with Citizens Bank and with the probability of keeping the general fund operating account at less than 10 million dollars, the fixed rate from Citizens Bank would work better than Smartbank that offered interest based on a balance over 10 million dollars. 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 an agreement with the Sevier County Board of Education for joint use of recreational facilities was presented for approval. Parks and Recreation Director Wilbanks presented and it was noted that this was a requirement to become a benchmark community. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Brackins, it was unanimously approved to accept the request as presented.

Discussion and consideration to re-appoint Vic Barrett to the Airport Authority was presented for approval. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Ogle, it was unanimously approved to accept the request as presented.

Manager's report included the following:

1. There will be a Public Hearing for Ordinance 980 at the regularly scheduled meeting on April 14, 2014.
2. There will be a planning commission meeting on Tuesday March 25, 2014 at 3:00 p.m. in the council room at City Hall.
3. There will be a beer board meeting on Wednesday March 26, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. in the council room at City Hall.
4. There will be a joint hospitality meeting on Thursday March 13, 2014 at 11:30 a.m. at the Holiday Inn in Pigeon Forge and Steve Morris will be speaking.
5. The City will celebrate Arbor Day on Monday March 17, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. at the Pigeon Forge Middle School.

Mayor Wear asked for comments from the board.

Mayor Wear read letter from Pigeon Forge Primary Principal Nancy Williams.

Commissioner Reagan thanked the Police Department for their work on gathering information pertaining to street lights.

Having no other comments received, the meeting was duly adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

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

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