

**MINUTES OF
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
MONDAY, JULY 28, 2014, 5:30 P.M.
CITY HALL, PIGEON FORGE, TENNESSEE**

Vice Mayor McClure called the meeting to order with the following in attendance: Commissioner Brackins, Commissioner Ogle, Commissioner Reagan, City Manager Teaster, City Recorder Clabo, City Attorney Gass, members of the press and interested citizens. Mayor Wear was absent.

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

REGULAR MEETING

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

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

Old Business

There was no old business.

New Business

Discussion and consideration of bid for the construction of the Ripken Experience baseball tournament complex from Merit Construction was presented for approval. Steve Fritts with Barge Waggoner Sumner Cannon presented and stated that six qualified bids were received and it was his recommendation to award bid to low bidder Merit Construction at a bid price of \$22,465,000. On a motion by Commissioner Ogle, second by Commissioner Brackins, it was approved to accept the bid as presented. Commissioner Reagan abstained from the vote.

Discussion and consideration of proposal from Gresham Smith and Partners for construction engineering and inspection services for the Ripken Experience baseball tournament complex was presented for approval. Jason Brady with Gresham Smith was in attendance to discuss. It was noted that the provided services would not exceed \$208,492.90. On a motion by Commissioner Brackins, second by Commissioner Ogle, it was approved to accept the proposal as presented. Commissioner Reagan abstained from the vote.

Discussion and consideration of proposal for soil testing services from Geo Services for the Ripken Experience baseball tournament complex was presented for approval. Assistant City Manager Brackins presented and it was noted that the agreement was based on opinion of probable cost of quantity and rate that cost would be in the amount of \$193,939. On a motion by Commissioner Ogle, second by Commissioner Brackins, it was approved to accept the proposal as presented. Commissioner Reagan abstained from the vote.

Discussion and consideration of an amendment to the contract with Barge, Waggoner Sumner and Cannon for engineering service for the Ripken Experience baseball tournament complex was presented for approval. Steve Fritts presented and stated that since project costs are now known, this addendum will allow for the design fee based on 8% of construction costs plus an allocation for RPR services. The additional costs are in the amount of \$194,350 for design and \$178,805 for RPR services. On a motion by Commissioner Brackins, second by Commissioner Ogle, it was approved to accept the request as presented. Commissioner Reagan abstained from the vote.

Discussion and consideration to purchase a street sweeper from Stringfellow utilizing the City of Memphis's recent bid was presented for approval. Public Works Director presented and stated that the City had received full replacement cost from the insurance company on the wrecked street sweeper and this replacement could be purchased at a bid price of \$171,975. On a motion by Commissioner Ogle, second by Commissioner Reagan, it was unanimously approved to accept the bid as presented.

Discussion and consideration of bid to purchase a process control integrator from MR Systems for the Water Plant was presented for approval. Public Works Director Miller presented and stated that the low bid was in the amount of \$36,769. On a motion by Commissioner Brackins, second by Commissioner Ogle, it was unanimously approved to accept the bid as presented.

Discussion and consideration of quote to purchase a pump from Water and Waste Equipment for the main lift station pump repair was presented for approval. Martin Cross with Veolia presented and recommended the low quote in the amount of \$9,700. On a motion by Commissioner Brackins, second by Commissioner Ogle, it was unanimously approved to accept the request as presented.

Discussion and consideration of bid for the Fenway lift station coating rehabilitation from Planet Inc. was presented for approval. Martin Cross with Veolia presented and stated that only one bid had been received and it was in the amount of \$12,000. On a motion by Commissioner Ogle, second by Commissioner Brackins, it was unanimously approved to accept the request as presented.

Manager's report included the following:

1. There will be a planning commission meeting on August 26, 2014 at 3:00 p.m.
2. There will be a public hearing on August 11, 2014 for Ordinance No. 987.

Vice Mayor McClure asked for comments from the board.

Commissioner Ogle thanked parks and recreation staff for hard work during recent ball tournament.

Having no other comments received, the meeting was duly adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

APPROVED: _____
MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
CITY RECORDER