

**MINUTES OF  
CITY COMMISSION MEETING  
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2013, 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 Reagan, Commissioner Robinson, 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.

**REGULAR MEETING**

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

Mayor Wear asked if there were any comments from citizens.

Ben Clabo thanked the City for its support to the Pigeon Forge High School.

Stephen Houser thanked the Office of Special Events for the recent Saddle Up event.

No other comments were received.

The authorization for the payment of bills was presented for approval. On a motion by Commissioner Brackins, second by Vice Mayor McClure, it was approved to accept the bills as presented. Commissioner Robinson noted that he was for the normal bills but opposed items in question that are not bid.

**Old Business**

There was no old business.

**New Business**

**Resolution No. 800** to authorize the publication of notice regarding delinquent taxes, penalties and interest for the year 2011 was presented for approval. City Manager Teaster explained that this was an annual process. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Brackins, and with all voting "aye" the motion was approved.

Discussion and consideration of proposal for the Wear Farm City Park Gate from Stanley Fencing Company was presented for approval. Parks and Recreation Director Wilbanks presented and recommended the low bid from Stanley Fencing Inc. in the amount of \$12,827.16. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Robinson, it was unanimously approved to accept the bid as presented.

Discussion and consideration of bid to purchase a point of sale system for the concession stands at Wear Farm City Park from Business Software Solutions was presented for approval. Parks and Recreation Director Wilbanks presented and recommended low bid from Business Software Solutions in the amount of \$9,655. On a motion by Commissioner Brackins, second by Vice Mayor McClure, it was unanimously approved to accept the bid as presented.

Discussion and consideration of bid to purchase pest control services for all City buildings from Kirkland's Pest Control was presented for approval. Parks and Recreation Director Wilbanks presented and recommended Kirkland's Pest Control with a low bid that met specifications in the amount of \$6,375. Vice Mayor McClure stated that since there was a small difference between Kirkland's and Raymond's Pest Control, he recommended awarding bid to Raymond's Pest Control in the amount of \$6,780 to keep business in Pigeon Forge. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Reagan and unanimously approved.

Discussion and consideration of bids to purchase concession stand supplies from Flash Candy Service and Reinhart Food Service was presented for approval. Parks and Recreation Director Wilbanks presented and recommendation was as follows: 1) Category I Candy Products – lowest bidder that met specifications from Flash Candy Service in the amount of \$6,038.29; 2) Category II Food Products – lowest bidder that met specifications from Reinhart Food Service in the amount of \$8,224.55. On a motion by Commissioner Brackins, second by Vice Mayor McClure, it was unanimously approved to accept bid as presented.

Discussion and consideration to allow Smoky Mountain Candy Makers to hang banners utilizing City staff from the median light poles on the parkway to celebrate their 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary was presented for approval. Mary Reagan was in attendance and requested that banners be hung between lights three to ten. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Brackins, it was approved to accept the request as presented. Commissioner Reagan abstained from the vote.

Discussion and consideration to reimburse Barker Industries for cutting trees on the City's 50 acre site for the proposed baseball facility in accordance with the MOU in place with the US Fish and Wildlife was presented for approval. The City and Barker Industries will split the cost of the work which is estimated to be \$33,600 (\$16,800 each). Jimmy Taylor with ADG noted that this had been discussed earlier at a work session. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Robinson, 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 Tuesday February 26, 2013 at 3:00 p.m. in the council room at city hall.
2. The beer board meeting scheduled for Wednesday February 27, 2013 has been rescheduled to Wednesday March 6, 2013 at 11:00 a.m. in the council room at city hall.

3. Should have received invitation for appreciation breakfast for sanitation workers by Keep Sevier Beautiful sponsored by Smart Bank and will be held on March 6, 2013 at Bennett's Pit Bar-B-Que.
4. The tentative schedule for the wastewater plant will be: advertise – February 17, 2013; pre-bid – March 6, 2013; open bids – March 28, 2013; council approval – April 8, 2013.
5. The grand opening for the new city park will be Friday March 22, 2013.
6. As special requests are coming in for the upcoming budget, will be putting those in packet as information but will compile and be included as part of budget requests.
7. Charlie Cobble will be having a show for the F-100's May 16, 2013 through May 18, 2013 and would like to use the City Parking lot. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Reagan, it was unanimously approved to accept the request as presented.

Mayor Wear asked for comments from the board.

Commissioner Robinson asked for \$225,000 to be committed for a turf field at the Pigeon Forge High School. Vice Mayor McClure and Mayor Wear both stated they thought it was too early to make a decision on this without more information. Mayor Wear suggested bringing officials in to discuss including Jack Parton and Ben Clabo. Commissioner Robinson made motion go forward with committing funds for field which was seconded by Commissioner Reagan. The motion failed with a no vote from Mayor Wear, Vice Mayor McClure, and Commissioner Brackins.

Commissioner Robinson stated he was concerned that rules are not in place for liquor by the drink. He stated many concerns including the potential opening of bars, dance barns, and what the legal distance between locations would be. Commissioner Robinson made a motion to direct City Attorney Gass to draft zoning laws to restrict limited food service businesses in Pigeon Forge and call a special called meeting for consideration. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Reagan. The motion failed with a no vote from Mayor Wear, Vice Mayor McClure, and Commissioner Brackins.

Mayor Wear noted that the Saddle Up event was great this year.

Having no other comments received, the meeting was duly adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

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

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