

**MINUTES OF
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 08, 2019, 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 Maples, Commissioner Ogle, Commissioner Watts, City Manager Teaster, Assistant City Manager Brackins, City Recorder Clabo, City Attorney Wyrick, 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 Watts.

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 Commissioner Maples, 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 a maintenance agreement with Southern Software for the police department was presented for approval. Police Captain Adams presented and stated that the maintenance agreement on the software would be in the amount of \$30,933. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Watts, it was unanimously approved to accept the request as presented.

Discussion and consideration to apply for a BVP grant for the police department was presented for approval. Police Captain Adams presented and noted that the grant would pay up to 50% of approved eligible expenses. On a motion by Commissioner Maples, second by Commissioner Watts, it was unanimously approved to apply for grant as presented.

Discussion and consideration of bid for the transportation for the Women of Joy Conference from Rocky Top Tours was presented for approval. Facility Manager Campbell presented and recommended the sole bid in the amount of \$8,640. 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 an application for a 5311 federal grant for the trolley department was presented for approval. Mass Transit Director Wilhoite presented and noted that the grant would be in the amount of \$911,116 and the match would be as follows: federal - \$321,556, state - \$294,780, and local - \$294,780. On a motion by Commissioner Watts, second by Commissioner Maples, it was unanimously approved to accept the application as presented.

Discussion and consideration of bid for the final phase of construction for the LeConte Event Center Auxiliary parking lot was presented for approval. Jason Brady with Gresham, Smith and Partners presented and noted that the bid came in much higher than anticipated. Motion was made to reject bid by Commissioner Maples and second by Commissioner Watts. City Attorney Wyrick asked council to consider deferring bid instead of rejecting to give engineer time to work out details of available bid options. Following a friendly amendment to defer bid instead of rejecting by Commissioner Maples, second by Commissioner Watts, it was unanimously approved to defer consideration of bid to upcoming council meeting.

Discussion and consideration of an agreement with Pugh and Company for the 2018-2019 fiscal year audit was presented for approval. City Recorder Clabo presented and stated that this was year two of a three-year contract. Fees were also discussed. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Ogle, it was unanimously approved to accept the contract as presented.

Discussion and consideration Ridge Road realignment easements was presented for approval. Assistant City Manager Brackins presented tract 3 and tract 5. He noted that tract 3 would be donated and there was a settlement for tract 5 in the amount of \$2,565. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Watts, it was unanimously approved to accept the request as presented.

Discussion and consideration to declare 25 SCBA air supply bottles as surplus property was presented for approval. City Recorder Clabo presented and stated that all bottles had exceed the 15-year service life and needed to be disposed of. On a motion by Commissioner Ogle, second by Commissioner Maples, it was unanimously approved to dispose of the property as presented.

Discussion and consideration of appointment to the planning commission was presented. City Manager Teaster presented and recommended Mark Rutledge. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Maples, it was unanimously approved to accept the request as presented.

Manager's report included the following:

1. There will be a beer board meeting on April 24, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. in the council room at city hall.
2. There will be a bid opening on the Henderson Chapel/Parkway Intersection on Wednesday, April 10, 2019 at 2:00 p.m.
3. The Tourism Commissioner will be speaking at the lodging association meeting on Tuesday, April 9, 2019 at 11:30 a.m. at the Ramsey Hotel.
4. The guest excellence program will be April 30 and May 1 at the LeConte Center.
5. The Music in the Mountains Spring Parade will be held May 3, 2019.

Mayor Wear asked for comments from the board.

Having no comments received, the meeting was duly adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

APPROVED: _____
MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
CITY RECORDER