

**MINUTES OF
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 23, 2018, 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, 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 Commissioner Maples and second to motion by Vice Mayor McClure.

Mayor Wear asked if there were any comments from citizens.

Chucky Blalock asked about the current status of the sign ordinance. Community Development Director Taylor stated that things are moving forward.

No other comments were received.

The authorization for the payment of bills was presented for approval. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Maples, it was unanimously approved to accept the bills as presented.

Old Business

There was no old business.

New Business

Resolution No. 844 to authorize the City of Pigeon Forge to endorse actions taken by the state route 449 corridor management committee was presented for approval. Community Development Director Taylor presented. On a motion by Commissioner Maples, second by Commissioner Watts, and with all voting "aye the motion was unanimously approved.

Resolution No. 845 to authorize the issuance of not to exceed thirty million and no/100 dollars (\$30,000,000) general obligation bonds of the City of Pigeon Forge, Tennessee was presented for approval. Chris Bessler with Cumberland Securities presented. It was noted that language would need to be included in the Resolution to

include wording for mass transit building. On a motion by Commissioner Maples, second by Vice Mayor McClure, and with all voting “aye the motion was unanimously approved.

Resolution No. 846 to declare the intent of the City of Pigeon Forge, Tennessee to reimburse itself for certain expenditures in the aggregate principal amount of authorize the issuance of not to exceed thirty million and no/100 dollars (\$30,000,000) relating to municipal projects of the City with proceeds of bonds or other debt obligations to be issued by the City of Pigeon Forge, Tennessee was presented for approval. Chris Bessler with Cumberland Securities presented. It was also noted that language would need to be included in the Resolution to include wording for mass transit building. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Maples, and with all voting “aye the motion was unanimously approved.

Discussion and consideration of a contract to purchase 16.298 acres from Mountain Mile, LLC for surface parking was presented for approval. City Attorney Wyrick stated there have been some changes in terms requested and asked if contract could be deferred to next council meeting. On a motion by Commissioner Maples, second by Commissioner Ogle, it was unanimously approved to defer consideration of contract until next council meeting.

Discussion and consideration of an agreement for engineering services with Gresham Smith and Partners for the design of a surface parking lot was presented for approval. Jason Brady with Gresham Smith and Partners presented and noted that the contract was in the amount of \$180,325. 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 audit contract with Pugh and Company for audit services was presented for approval. Larry Elmore with Pugh CPAs presented a three-year proposal. It was noted that both parties would have cancellation rights with proper notice. On a motion by Commissioner Ogle, second by Vice Mayor McClure, it was unanimously approved to accept the proposal as presented.

Discussion and consideration of agreements for administrative services relating to the City’s retirement plan, deferred compensation plan and employees’ pension trust plan, with Tennessee Pension Administrators was presented for approval. Matt Grabeel with Tennessee Pension Administrators presented agreements. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Watts, it was unanimously approved to accept the request as presented.

Discussion and consideration of services for a resident project representative for the Mill Creek sewer line replacement phase 1 from SSR was presented for approval. Paolo Fonda with SSR presented and recommended the agreement in the amount of \$64,800. He noted that it was estimated that the construction period would be approximately four months. On a motion by Commissioner Maples, second by Commissioner Watts, it was unanimously approved to accept the request as presented.

Discussion and consideration to accept a grant from the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) and State Farm insurance in the amount of \$500 for the fire department was presented for approval. Fire Chief Watson presented and noted that there was no local match. On a motion by Commissioner Ogle, second by Commissioner Watts, it was unanimously approved to accept the request as presented.

Discussion and consideration to accept a grant for the Tennessee Division of Forestry in the amount of \$20,000 for the fire department was presented for approval. Fire Chief Watson presented and noted that there was no local match. On a motion by Commissioner Maples, second by Commissioner Ogle, it was unanimously approved to accept the request as presented.

Discussion and consideration of a software maintenance agreement for Public Safety Software with Southern Software, a sole source item, for the police department was presented for approval. Police Chief Catlett presented and recommended the agreement in the amount of \$30,627. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Watts, it was unanimously approved to accept the request as presented.

Discussion and consideration of bid for concrete and asphalt for Charles Blalock and Sons for the street department was presented for approval. Public Works Director Miller presented and recommended the sole bid as follows: 1) 307-C binder in place - \$115.95; 2) 411-E topping in place - \$116.95; 3) 307-C binder picked up - \$73.45; and 4) 411-E topping picked up - \$74.25. On a motion by Commissioner Maples, second by Vice Mayor McClure, it was unanimously approved to accept the bid as presented.

Discussion and consideration to purchase a water meter reading system from Core and Main, a sole source provider, for the utility department was presented for approval. Public Works Director Miller presented and stated that this would allow up to two base stations and 16 repeaters and necessary equipment to be purchased and installed at a cost up to \$190,000. City Attorney Wyrick suggested certain terms be worked out with the vendor regarding the upgrade. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Maples, it was unanimously approved to accept the proposal and work out necessary terms.

Discussion and consideration of a contract with TDOT for routine maintenance of state routes was presented for approval. City Manager Teaster presented and noted that the contract would be in the amount of \$92,302.05. On a motion by Commissioner Ogle, second by Commissioner Watts, it was unanimously approved to accept the contract as presented.

Manager's report included the following:

1. There will be a planning commission meeting on Tuesday, April 24, 2018 at 3:00 p.m. in the council room at city hall.

2. There will be a beer board meeting on Wednesday, April 25, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. in the council room at city hall.
3. The annual Pigeon Forge parade will be Friday, May 4, 2018.
4. The police academy picnic will be held Tuesday, April 24, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at Wear Farm Park.

Mayor Wear asked for comments from the board.

Commissioner Maples noted that the Pigeon Forge Parks and Recreation master plan meeting would be held at the community center from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 24, 2018.

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

APPROVED: _____
MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
CITY RECORDER