

**MINUTES OF
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
MONDAY, MAY 23 2011, 5:30 P.M.
CITY HALL, PIGEON FORGE, TENNESSEE**

Mayor Whaley called the meeting to order and asked Judge Rex Henry Ogle to administer the oath of office to the newly elected Commissioner Reagan and Commissioner Wear.

The following were in attendance: Commissioner Brackins, Commissioner McClure, Commissioner Reagan, Commissioner Robinson, Commissioner Wear, City Manager Teaster, Assistant City Manager Brackins, City Attorney Gass, members of the press and interested citizens. City Recorder Clabo was absent.

Commissioner McClure led in the pledge of allegiance.

Nominations for election of Mayor were requested. On a motion by Commissioner McClure to elect David W. Wear to serve as Mayor, second by Commissioner Robinson and with all voting "aye" the motion passed as presented.

The election of Vice Mayor was presented. On a motion by Commissioner Brackins to elect Kevin McClure to serve as Vice Mayor, second by Commissioner Reagan and with all voting "aye" the motion passed as presented.

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 Brackins, it was approved to accept the bills as noted. 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

Discussion and consideration to purchase an effluent filter valve actuator repair for the Wastewater Treatment Plant from the Perkinson Company was presented for approval. Martin Cross with Veolia stated that an actuator that automatically operates one of the valves in the effluent sand filtration system has failed. A quote has been prepared in the amount of \$3,659 for repairs. 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 accept a bid for a climbing wall for the Community Center from Everlast Climbing Industries was presented for approval. Parks and Recreation Director Wilbanks stated that two bids had been received and he recommended the low bid from Everlast Climbing Industries at a cost of \$6,648 which includes shipping costs and option 1 (3" mat locking system) and option 2 (challenge course). Wilbanks further noted that this would be 100 percent grant funded. 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 an agreement with Facility Systems Consultants LLC for LEEDs basic commissioning for the new fire station was presented for approval. Mike Smelcer with SRA presented and noted that this was a requirement as part of the ARRA guidelines. On a motion by Commissioner Brackins, second by Vice Mayor McClure, it was unanimously approved to accept the request as presented.

Discussion and consideration to accept a bid to purchase fire hydrants for the City from Coleman was presented for approval. Public Works Director Miller stated that bids had been received and he recommended the low bid from Coleman at a cost of \$1,125 for fire hydrant, \$357 for gate valve, and \$39.80 for grip ring kit for a total cost of \$2,632.80. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Brackins, it was unanimously approved to accept the request as presented.

Discussion and consideration of 2010-2011 property tax adjustments was presented for approval. City Manager Teaster stated these adjustments were due to things such as location being outside the city, now closed, or property sold. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Robinson, it was unanimously approved to accept the request as presented.

Discussion and consideration to expand the City's existing phone system to include the tourism offices and replace their failing system was presented for approval. Information Technology Director Ogle stated that due to an old system that is currently in place and issues the department is currently experiencing with lost calls, he is recommending expansion of the Shoretel system current installed at city hall and integration of wireless equipment. The costs for Shoretel equipment, wireless backbone equipment, and wireless installation labor are not to exceed \$35,000. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Brackins, it was unanimously approved to accept the proposal as presented.

Discussion and consideration to accept a bid to purchase AED monitors for city buildings from Dixie Medical Supplies was presented for approval. Fire Chief Watson explained that he recommended the low bid to purchase 20 AEDs and one cardiac monitor at a total cost of \$15,975. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Reagan, it was unanimously approved to accept the request as presented.

Manager’s report included the following:

1. Received the loss control safety grant from TML in the amount of approximately \$3,000.
2. There will be a Beer Board meeting on May 25, 2011 at 1:00 p.m. in the council room of City Hall
3. There will be a Planning Commission meeting on May 24, 2011 at 3:00 p.m. in the council room of city hall.
4. City offices will be closed for Memorial Day Monday May 30, 2011.
5. Would like to schedule a budget work session for Wednesday June 1, 2011 at 12:00 p.m.

Mayor Wear asked for comments from the board.

Commissioners expressed congratulations to each other for recent appointments to city council.

Having no comments received, the meeting was duly adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

APPROVED: _____
MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
CITY RECORDER