

**MINUTES OF  
CITY COMMISSION MEETING  
MONDAY, JUNE 12, 2023, 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 Ogle, Commissioner Watts, Commissioner Whaley, City Manager Teaster, Assistant City Manager Brackins, City Recorder Clabo, City Attorney Rowell and interested citizens.

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

**PUBLIC HEARING 1**

A public hearing to receive comment regarding amending the zoning map of Pigeon Forge, Tennessee by rezoning parcel 07.01 of tax map 073 from R-1 (low density residential) district to C-6 (mixed use commercial) district.

There being no comments received, the public hearing was closed.

**PUBLIC HEARING 2**

A public hearing to receive comment regarding amending the zoning map of Pigeon Forge, Tennessee by rezoning tax map 094E, group D, parcel 10.01 from R-2 (high density residential) district to C-6 (mixed use commercial) district.

There being no comments received, the public hearing was closed.

**PUBLIC HEARING 3**

A public hearing to receive comment regarding amending the City of Pigeon Forge Municipal Code by amending title 2, chapter 3, special events and site plan regulations for special events, festivals and similar activity uses and title 9 chapter 2, administrative review by specified departments or Planning Commission.

There being no comments received, the public hearing was closed.

**REGULAR MEETING**

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

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

### **Old Business**

**Ordinance No. 2023-1147** to amend the zoning map of Pigeon Forge, Tennessee by rezoning parcel 07.01 of tax map 073 from R-1 (low density residential) district to C-6 (mixed use commercial) district was presented on the second reading. Community Development Director Taylor presented. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Ogle, and with all voting “aye” the motion was approved on the second reading.

**Ordinance No. 2023-1148** to amend the zoning map of Pigeon Forge, Tennessee by rezoning tax map 094E, group D, parcel 10.01 from R-2 (high density residential) district to C-6 (mixed use commercial) district was presented on the second reading. Community Development Director Taylor presented. On a motion by Commissioner Whaley, second by Commissioner Watts, and with all voting “aye” the motion was approved on the second reading.

**Ordinance No. 2023-1149** to amend the City of Pigeon Forge Municipal Code by amending title 2, chapter 3, special events and site plan regulations for special events, festivals and similar activity uses and title 9 chapter 2, administrative review by specified departments or Planning Commission was presented on the second reading. Community Development Director Taylor presented. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Watts, and with all voting “aye” the motion was approved on the second reading.

### **New Business**

**Ordinance No. 2023-1150** to increase the competitive bid requirement to \$25,000 for the City of Pigeon Forge was presented on the first reading. City Recorder Clabo presented. On a motion by Commissioner Ogle, second by Vice Mayor McClure, and with all voting “aye” the motion was approved on the first reading.

**Ordinance No. 2023-1151** to amend the zoning text of Pigeon Forge, Tennessee by adding sections 409.8.7 and 409.8.8 allowing alternative landscaping plans and requiring all plans conform to current edition of the right tree for the right place was presented on the first reading. Community Development Director Taylor presented. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Watts, and with all voting “aye” the motion was approved on the first reading.

**Ordinance No. 2023-1152** to amend Ordinance No. 1134 annual appropriations for the fiscal year 2022-2023 was presented on the first reading. City Recorder Clabo presented. On a motion by Commissioner Watts, second by Commissioner Whaley, and with all voting “aye” the motion was approved on the first reading.

**Ordinance No. 2023-1153** to adopt the annual budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024 was presented on the first reading. City Manager

Teaster presented and highlighted the various sections of the budget. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Watts, and with all voting "aye" the motion was approved on the first reading.

Discussion and consideration of bid for the Ridge Road Sewer Line Project from Franklin Underground Utility Services, Inc. was presented for approval. Public Works Director Miller presented and recommended the low bid in the amount of \$2,807,350. On a motion by Commissioner Watts, second by Vice Mayor McClure, it was unanimously approved to accept the request as presented.

Discussion and consideration of architectural and engineering services contract and related services with SRA, CEC, MBI Companies, Engineering Services Group, Envision Collaborative Interiors and ETS for the public safety buildings was presented for approval. Assistant City Manager Brackins presented. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Whaley, it was unanimously approved to accept the request as presented.

Discussion and consideration of a lease renewal with the United States Postal Service for a term of 5 years was presented for approval. City Recorder Clabo presented and stated that this renewal would reflect an annual rate of \$69,089. On a motion by Commissioner Whaley, second by Commissioner Ogle, it was unanimously approved to accept the request as presented.

Discussion and consideration of the annual maintenance contract with TDOT for State Highway located in the City of Pigeon Forge was presented for approval. City Manager Teaster presented and stated that the contract was in the amount of \$104,748.39. On a motion by Commissioner Ogle, second by Vice Mayor McClure, it was unanimously approved to accept the agreement as presented.

Discussion and consideration of an annual contract with East Tennessee Development District for planning services was presented for approval. Community Development Director Taylor presented and recommended the contract for a period of two years at an annual cost of \$11,942.50. On a motion by Commissioner Whaley, second by Commissioner Watts, it was unanimously approved to accept the request as presented.

Discussion and consideration of bids for paving, concrete, and striping for the street department was presented for approval. Public Works Director Miller presented. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Watts, it was unanimously approved to accept the bid as presented.

Discussion and consideration of bids for traffic sign supplies for the street department was presented for approval. Public Works Director Miller presented and recommended the overall bid from G&C Supply. On a motion by Commissioner Ogle, second by Commissioner Watts, it was unanimously approved to accept the bid as presented.

Discussion and consideration of bid for salt for the street department from Cargill utilizing a joint bid with Sevierville, Gatlinburg, and Pittman Center was presented for approval. Public Works Director Miller presented and recommended the low bid in the amount of \$119.76 per ton delivered. On a motion by Commissioner Watts, second by Vice Mayor McClure, it was unanimously approved to accept the bid as presented.

Discussion and consideration to donate books and other items from the library to the friends of the Pigeon Forge Public Library was presented for approval. City Manager Teaster presented. On a motion by Commissioner Whaley, second by Vice Mayor McClure, it was unanimously approved to accept the request as presented.

Discussion and consideration to appoint Tony Watts to the Sevier County Economic Development Council for a 3-year term was presented for approval. City Manager Teaster presented. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Whaley, it was unanimously approved to accept the request as presented.

Manager’s report included the following:

1. There will be a public hearing on Ordinance number 2023-1151 at the regular council meeting on Monday, July 10, 2023.
2. The Planning Commission will meet on Tuesday, June 27, 2023 at 3:00 p.m. in the city council room at city hall.
3. The beer board will meet on Wednesday, June 28, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. in the council room at city hall.
4. The next city council meeting is scheduled for June 26, 2023.

Mayor Wear asked for comments from the board.

Commissioner Whaley thanked Commissioner Watts for serving on Sevier County Economic Development Council.

Having no other comments received, the meeting was duly adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

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

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