

**MINUTES OF
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
MONDAY, JULY 24, 2017, 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 Gass, 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 Maples.

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

Ordinance No. 1041 for disqualification of appointed Board Members was presented on the second reading. City Manager Teaster 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

Discussion and consideration of the annual service and maintenance quote from Clever Devices for the trolley department was presented for approval. Mass Transit Director Link presented and noted that the annual maintenance was in the amount of \$20,538. On a motion by Commissioner Maples, second by Commissioner Ogle, it was unanimously approved to accept the request as presented.

Discussion and consideration to purchase a tram trailer from Specialty Vehicles for the trolley department utilizing the 5311 grant funds was presented for approval. Mass Transit Director Link presented and recommended the purchase in the amount \$99,600. 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 a TDOT grant for fiscal year 2017-2018 to cover operational and equipment expenses for the trolley department was presented for approval. Mass Transit Director Link presented and stated that the grant would be in the amount of \$352,515 comprised of \$123,389 federal, \$114,563 state, and \$114,563 local funds. On a motion by

Commissioner Maples, second by Vice Mayor McClure, it was unanimously approved to accept the request as presented.

Discussion and consideration to donate books to the Friends of the Pigeon Forge Public Library was presented for approval. City Manager Teaster presented and noted that this was usually done a few times each year. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Maples, it was unanimously approved to accept the request as presented.

Discussion and consideration of a change order from Scott I. Enterprises, Inc. to close out the Mountain View water tank repaint project was presented for approval. Public Works Director Miller presented and stated that the contract would be a decrease in the amount of \$325. On a motion by Commissioner Ogle, second by Commissioner Maples, it was unanimously approved to accept the request as presented.

Discussion and consideration to purchase three tractors with mowers for the street department from Chattanooga Tractor and Equipment utilizing the NJPA contract was presented for approval. Public Works Director Miller presented and recommended the purchase of two tractors at a cost of \$87,616.20 each and one tractor at a cost of \$88,729 for a total of \$263,961.40. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Watts, it was unanimously approved to accept the request as presented.

Discuss and consideration of a contract with State of Tennessee Department of Transportation for routine maintenance of state routes was presented for approval. City Manager Teaster presented and stated that the contract was in the amount of \$89,411.40. On a motion by Commissioner Maples, second by Commissioner Ogle, it was unanimously approved to accept the request as presented.

Discussion and consideration to purchase thermal imaging cameras from Emergency Vehicle Specialist for the fire department was presented for approval. This is a sole source item. Fire Marshal Price presented and requested the purchase of four cameras in the amount of \$4,500 each for a total of \$18,000. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Maples, it was unanimously approved to accept the request as presented.

Discussion and consideration to receive a grant from Firehouse Public Safety Foundation to purchase two enforcer portable compressed air foam systems for the fire department was presented for approval. Fire Marshal Price presented and stated that the grant was in the amount of \$19,600 and required no matching funds. On a motion by Commissioner Ogle, second by Vice Mayor McClure, it was unanimously approved to accept the request as presented.

Discussion and consideration of bid to construct a new sign at Patriot Park was presented for approval. Parks and Recreation Director Goodwin presented and recommended awarding the bid to Allen Sign from Knoxville for option four in the amount of \$74,690. 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 accept Meriwether Way as a public road was presented for approval. Public Works Director Miller presented. Motion was made by Commissioner Maples and seconded by Commissioner Ogle. Before the vote, a question was asked about changing Way to something else to avoid confusion between a public and private road since historically Way has indicated that the road is private. Following discussion, a friendly motion was made by Commissioner Maples, and seconded by Commissioner Ogle to accept as a city

street but to work on changing the name to something else that would indicate it is a public street. Motion was unanimously approved.

Manager's report included the following:

1. There will be a public hearing on Ordinance numbers 1037, 1038, 1039, and 1040 at the regularly scheduled meeting on August 14, 2017.
2. There will be a preview of the new Margaritaville Hotel on July 26, 2017 between 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.
3. There will be a planning commission meeting on July 25, 2017 at 3:00 p.m. in the council room at city hall.
4. There will be a tourism advisory board meeting on July 31, 2017 at 12:00 p.m. at the LeConte Center.
5. Would like to schedule a work session on Tuesday August 1, 2017 at 4:00 p.m.

Mayor Wear asked for comments from the board.

Having no other comments received, the meeting was duly adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

APPROVED: _____
MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
CITY RECORDER