

**MINUTES OF
CITY COMMISSION WORK SESSION
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2022, 8:00 A.M.
CITY HALL, PIGEON FORGE, TENNESSEE**

Present were Mayor Wear, Vice Mayor McClure, Commissioner Ogle, Commissioner Watts, Commissioner Whaley, City Manager Teaster, Assistant City Manager Brackins, City Recorder Clabo, City Attorney Rowell, and interested parties.

Items discussed were as follows.

1. **Review and discussion of long-term water supply options for the City of Pigeon Forge** – City Manager Teaster, Assistant City Manager Brackins, Public Works Director Miller, Utility Supervisor Sutton, and Water Plant Supervisor McMahan were in attendance to present and discuss a parallel water line from the lake to the water plant and also reactivating the Waldens Creek intake which may be able to pull 4 MGD into the water plant. City Manager Teaster explained that ARPA funds would hopefully be used for the planning and design phase and then would seek additional grant funds for the construction of the project. Initially, one or two resolutions may be necessary to start process.

Following discussion, council agreed to put resolution(s) on upcoming agenda for discussion and consideration.

2. **Review and discussion of a Ripken Management Agreement and the Brand License Agreement for the Ripken Experience Pigeon Forge** – Jay Moneyhun with Bass, Berry & Sims and David Bounds with Ripken were in attendance to present. Mr. Moneyhun discussed both documents and changes being proposed.

Following discussion of proposals submitted, council generally agreed to put on upcoming agenda for discussion and consideration.

3. **Review and discussion of a conceptual site plan for the city hall complex** – Mike Smelcer with SRA discussed a draft of the overall plan to date. It was noted that the police department is currently about 53,000 square feet and the fire department is approximately 36,000 square feet. Both departments are continuing to review their respective plans. Once the public safety buildings are designed, plan design should begin for city hall. It has been discussed that the fire department would be located near Pine Mountain Road. The police department would be built in the field behind the post office. City hall would then be built near where the existing fire department sits currently.

Following discussion of site plan, council generally agreed for staff to continue to work on design.

4. **Review and discussion of proposal to relocate a water line in the Jayell Road/Veterans Boulevard Area** – Public Works Director Miller and Utility Supervisor Sutton discussed the water line. It was noted that it was a 16” pipe that

was approximately 22' deep. The owner is requesting the city pay for moving approximately 1,200 feet of pipe at approximately \$186,000.

Following discussion, council asked staff to look at length of line that is responsibility of city and price of that pipe in order to bring it to depth that city personnel can repair if necessary.

After general discussion, the meeting was duly adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

APPROVED: _____
MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
CITY RECORDER