

**MINUTES OF
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2022, 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, City Manager Teaster, City Recorder Clabo, Attorney Penland for City Attorney Rowell, and interested citizens. Commissioner Whaley was absent.

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 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

There was no old business.

New Business

Discussion and consideration of a user agreement with the Ripken Experience for use of the baseball fields at Wear Farm Park was presented for approval. Parks and Recreation Director Goodwin presented. 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 engineering agreement with Fit Fields for the design and permitting of converting the fields at Wear Farm Park to synthetic turf was presented for approval. Assistant City Manager Brackins presented and recommended noting that the cost would be in the amount of \$145,300. 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 contract with AstroTurf to convert the fields at Wear Farm Park from natural grass to synthetic turf utilizing the Sourcewell Cooperative Contract was presented for approval. Assistant City Manager Brackins presented and stated that the cost was in the amount of \$3,227,486 and project would be funded from the Ripken Pigeon Forge operating account. On a motion by Commissioner Ogle, second by Vice Mayor McClure, it was unanimously approved to accept the contract as presented.

Discussion and consideration of a proposal to update the Wastewater Facilities Plan from SSR was presented for approval. Joshua Bruce with SSR presented and recommended the proposal in the amount of \$207,500. On a motion by Commissioner Watts, second by Vice Mayor McClure, it was unanimously approved accept the request as presented.

Discussion and consideration to renew a contract with Esri, Inc. for the city's GIS mapping was presented for approval. Public Works Director Miller presented and recommended the contract in the amount of \$15,000. 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 a maintenance agreement for the police department's license plate readers from Vigilant was presented for approval. Police Chief Catlett presented and recommended the purchase in the amount of \$11,577. On a motion by Commissioner Watts, second by Commissioner Ogle, it was unanimously approved to accept the purchase as presented.

Discussion and consideration to apply for a Tennessee Highway Safety Office grant for the police department was presented for approval. Police Chief Catlett presented and recommended the grant application in the amount of \$5,000. On a motion by Vice Mayor McClure, second by Commissioner Ogle, it was unanimously approved to apply for the grant as presented.

Manager's report included the following:

1. There will be a public hearing on Ordinance number 1128 at the regularly scheduled council meeting on Monday, March 14, 2022.
2. The planning commission will meet on Tuesday, March 22, 2022 at 3:00 p.m. in the council room at city hall.
3. The beer board will meet on Wednesday, March 23, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. in the council room at city hall.
4. The State of the City will be held on Tuesday, March 15, 2022 at Pirates Voyage location.

Mayor Wear asked for comments from the board.

Having no comments received, the meeting was duly adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

APPROVED: _____
MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
CITY RECORDER