

The Gatlinburg Board of Commission met in a regular meeting on Tuesday July 9, 2019 at 6:00 P.M. in the City Council Room. All members were present with the exception of Vice Mayor McCown. Mayor Mike Werner called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Finance Director Robert Holt gave the Invocation.

Mayor Werner then called for a motion to approve the Minutes of the regular meeting of June 18, 2019. Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the Minutes which was seconded by Commissioner DeSear and then unanimously adopted.

Regarding Reports and Boards of the Committees, Mayor Werner presented a Twenty Year Service Award to Susan Brandenburg of the Finance Department and presented Twenty Five year Service Awards to Jeffrey Justus of the Police Department and Ed Jackson of the Convention Center.

The City Manager reported and/or requested:

- (1) that she would like to give an update related to the East Parkway/Highway 321 Slope Stabilization Project and stated that a change order was approved to set a new completion date of July 3 for this Project and that the Contractor, Charles Blalock and Sons, estimates the Project will take approximately 30 more days to complete and that, according to TDOT, liquidated damages of \$500.00 per day are now being assessed as of July 4 until the Project is complete; and,
- (2) that she would like to announce the Gatlinburg Craftsmen's Fair is July 12 -21, 2019 at the Gatlinburg Convention Center with over 180 Crafters and Artist displaying and selling their wares; and,
- (3) that she would like to announce there are still a few openings for the Gatlinburg Police Departments Police camp for children ages 9 to 13 and to register call the Police Department at 436-1421: and,
- (4) lastly, that she would like to announce the Police Department has adopted a German Shepherd, Aura, to be the new K9 Officer and that she was a service animal surrendered to the Humane Society of Jefferson County and that Officer Tyler Cameron facilitated the adoption and will be her new handler. She advised that Aura will join the force next week when training is completed and that it is great to have her join the Department.

DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF APPROVING AN OFF PREMISE GOOD MORAL CHARACTER FOR NEAL PATEL, 321 PROPERTIES LLC, D/B/A PARKVIEW INN LOCATED AT 200 EAST PARKWAY.

Item A under New Business was discussion and consideration of approving an Off Premise Good Moral Character for Neal Patel, 321 Properties LLC, D/B/A Parkview Inn located at 200 East Parkway. Commissioner DeSear made a motion to approve the

Certificate which was seconded by Commissioner Smith and then unanimously approved.

RESOLUTION 964, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS OF THE CITY OF GATLINBURG, TENNESSEE IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT TO EXCEED \$8,075,000 IN ONE OR MORE SERIES; MAKING PROVISION FOR THE ISSUANCE, SALE, AND PAYMENT OF SAID BONDS, ESTABLISHING THE TERMS THEREOF AND THE DISPOSITION OF PROCEEDS THEREFROM; AND PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY OF TAXES FOR THE PAYMENT OF PRINCIPAL OF, PREMIUM, IF ANY, AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS.

Item B under New Business was Resolution 964, A Resolution authorizing the issuance of general obligation refunding bonds of the City of Gatlinburg, Tennessee in the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$8,075, 000 in one or more series; making provision for the issuance, sale, and payment of said Bonds, establishing the terms thereof and disposition of proceeds therefrom; and providing for the levy of taxes for the payment of principal of, premium, if any, and interest on the Bonds. Commissioner Reagan made a motion to approve Resolution 964 which was seconded by Commissioner DeSear. The City Manager asked the Finance Director to come forward and give an overview of the Resolution and she stated that Mr. Joe Ayers with Cumberland Securities was present. The City Manager stated that this is basically a refinancing of debt to get a better interest rate and to save money over the remaining twelve years of this particular debt associated with the last two Undergrounding Projects. Mr. Holt then explained that these loans became callable June 1, 2019, and the interest rates were appealing enough to warrant the refunding and that over the remaining term of the debt, the City will save \$525,000. After further discussion, the motion to approve Resolution 964 was unanimously adopted.

ORDINANCE NUMBER 2536, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE GATLINBURG ZONING ORDINANCE, BEING ORDINANCE NO. 830, AND FURTHER BEING AN ORDINANCE TO RECLASSIFY PARCELS 87 AND 87.01 OF TAX MAP 118, LOCATED AT MILLS PARK ROAD AND JAY BIRD LANE IN THE CITY OF GATLINBURG, TENNESSEE, FROM R-1 (LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL) DISTRICT TO C-2 (GENERAL BUSINESS) DISTRICT, FIRST READING (PASSED PLANNING COMMISSION 6/20/2019).

Item C under New Business was Ordinance Number 2536, an Ordinance to amend the Gatlinburg Zoning Ordinance, being Ordinance No. 830, and further being an Ordinance to reclassify parcels 87 and 87.01 of Tax Map 118, located at Mills Park Road and Jay Bird Lane in the City of Gatlinburg, Tennessee, from R-1 (Low Density Residential) District to C-2 (General Business) District, first reading (Passed Planning Commission 6/20/2019). Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the Ordinance which was seconded by Commissioner DeSear. The City Manager asked the

Building and Planning Director for explanation of the rezoning. Mr. Ball stated that he needed to make a correction to the Ordinance in that it should be from R-2 (Medium Density Residential) District to C-2 (General Business) District. Mr. Ball then proceeded to explain the request for rezoning in that it would allow more density for the tract of land and the intended use was for smaller houses and duplexes. After these comments, the motion to approve Ordinance 2536 on first reading was unanimously adopted.

ORDINANCE NUMBER 2537, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE GATLINBURG ZONING ORDINANCE, BEING ORDINANCE NO. 830, AND FURTHER BEING AN ORDINANCE TO RECLASSIFY A PORTION OF PARCEL 198 ON TAX MAP 116, LOCATED AT NORTH MOUNTAIN TRAIL IN THE CITY OF GATLINBURG, TENNESSEE, FROM R-1 (LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL) DISTRICT TO C-4 (RECREATION COMMERCIAL) DISTRICT, FIRST READING (PASSED PLANNING COMMISSION 6/20/2019).

Item D under New Business was Ordinance Number 2537, An Ordinance to amend the Gatlinburg Zoning Ordinance, being Ordinance No. 830, and further being an Ordinance to reclassify a portion of Parcel 198 on Tax Map 116, located at North Mountain Trail in the City of Gatlinburg, Tennessee, from R-1 (Low Density Residential) District to C-4 (Recreation Commercial) District, First Reading (Passed Planning Commission 6/20/2019). Commissioner DeSear made a motion to approve the Ordinance which was seconded by Commissioner Smith. Mr. Ball stated that Westgate's original proposal was a ten acre tract and Planning Commission requested that Westgate change the acreage amount to the 2.43 acres only to be rezoned since the upper part of the tract was more suitable for residential use, it would remain R-1 (Low Density Residential) District. Commissioner DeSear then verified that the intended use of the property was for employee parking and the City Planner asked the representative for Westgate to present a map of the area showing what the current adjoining properties were zoned. After verification of the adjoining zoning districts, the motion to approve Ordinance 2537 on first reading was unanimously adopted.

DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF APPROVING A GRANT CONTRACT FOR FY2019-20 UROP STATE OPERATING ASSISTANCE WITH THE TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE MASS TRANSIT DEPARTMENT.

Item E under New Business was discussion and consideration of approving a Grant Contract for FY2019-20 UROP State Operating Assistance with the Tennessee Department of Transportation for the Mass Transit Department. Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the Contract which was seconded by Commissioner DeSear. The City Manager then commented that the total grant amount is \$479,875 and that the State portion is \$383,900 with the City's share being \$95,975 and stated that, as with the other couple of State operating Assistance Grants, these are extremely critical to the

funding of the operation of the City's Trolley System. After these comments, the motion to approve the Grant Contract was unanimously approved.

DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF DECLARING CERTAIN CITY EQUIPMENT AND VEHICLES AS SURPLUS PROPERTY.

Item F under New Business was discussion and consideration of declaring certain City equipment and vehicles as surplus property. Commissioner DeSear made a motion to approve declaring certain City vehicles and equipment as surplus which was seconded by Commissioner Smith and then unanimously adopted.

RESOLUTION 965, A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM FOR THE CITY OF GATLINBURG FOR FISCAL YEARS 2020-2024.

Item G under New Business was Resolution 965, a Resolution adopting a Capital Improvements Program for the City of Gatlinburg for Fiscal Years 2020-2024. Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the Resolution which was seconded by Commissioner DeSear. The City Manager stated that this Resolution acknowledges that an updated Capital Improvements Program was presented and reviewed and that no projects will be funded until the Budget is presented and reviewed during the Budget process. After these comments, the motion to approve Resolution Number 965 was unanimously adopted.

UNSCHEDULED ITEMS:

Commissioner Don Smith:

(1) Wanted to thank Susan Brandenburg, Jeff Justus and Ed Jackson for their years of service to the City and it was much appreciated.

Commissioner Ryan DeSear:

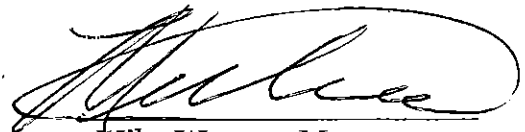
(1) Echoed a thank you to the employees and it is nice to see longevity of years of service to the City; and,

(2) Asked the Public Works Director how many roads the City has paved over the past five years to which he responded that the City has paved fifty percent of the roads and Commissioner DeSear thanked him for all the hard work associated with the Paving Program.

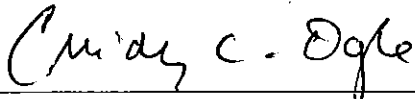
Mayor Mike Werner

(1) Stated that he wanted to acknowledge the sad news of the passing of Mr. Sid Blalock who was a longtime leader of this County and stated that he was a great man, great friend and a very giving family and to keep that family in your prayers.

There being no further business to come before the City Commission. Commissioner DeSear made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.



Mike Werner, Mayor



Cindy Cameron Ogle, City Recorder
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