

The Gatlinburg Board of Commissioners met in a regular meeting on Tuesday June 2, 2015, at 6:00 P.M. in the City Council Room. All members were present. Mayor Mike Helton called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Finance Director Robert Holt gave the Invocation.

The next Item on the Agenda was the election of the Mayor. Commissioner Mark McCown nominated Vice Mayor Mike Werner for the position of Mayor. Commissioner Don Smith then seconded the nomination which was unanimously approved. Mayor Helton then passed the gavel to Mayor Werner who proceeded to chair the meeting. Mayor Werner then stated that he wanted to thank Mayor Helton for a doing a good job this past year and that he appreciated his service to the City. Mayor Werner then called for nominations for Vice Mayor. Commissioner Don Smith nominated Commissioner McCown for the position of Vice Mayor. The nomination was seconded by Commissioner Mike Helton and then unanimously approved. Vice Mayor Mark McCown then expressed appreciation for the vote of confidence.

Mayor Werner then called for a motion to approve the Minutes of the regular meeting of May 5, 2015. Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the Minutes which was seconded by Commissioner Mike Helton and then unanimously adopted.

There were no Petitions or Communications from the Public or Reports of Boards and Committees.

The City Manager reported and/or requested:

- (1) that she was pleased to announce that four Big Belly trash compactor units have been purchased as part of the funded Capital Improvements Projects in the FY2014-15 Budget and stated that they were installed May 22, 2015, at various locations on Parkway, specifically at the Marketplace Mall, the Tin Roof, Starbucks and at Ripley's Haunted Adventure. The City Manager further stated that these units have the ability to compact up to fifty pounds of garbage and that the usage is monitored electronically by the Sanitation Department through satellite uplink and that they are notified when an individual unit needs to be emptied which reduces unnecessary trips for service; and,
- (2) that she wanted to give an update on the Beanstalk Road Project and stated that it is ahead of schedule and that the asphalt topping was applied this afternoon and that the road is expected to be open to thru traffic by noon tomorrow, if not sooner; and,
- (3) that she wanted to advise everyone that Glades Road at the intersection with Pine Drive will be closed for utility construction with local traffic detours on Thursday, June 4, 2015, from 9:00 A.M. until 4:00 P.M. with north bound traffic on Glades Road being routed onto Shieldsview Drive and south bound traffic routed through Bruce Road to East Parkway. The City Manager

further stated that detour signs will be posted and for more information to contact the Utilities Department at (865)436-4681; and,

- (4) that she wanted to remind everyone of the upcoming Kids Trout Rodeo that will be held on Saturday, June 6, 2015, at Herbert Holt Park and that the City sponsored fishing tournament is free to children age 16 and under and that a license is not required on this day and that they can fish anywhere in Gatlinburg and that Registration is at 7:30 A.M. and Weigh-in at 10:30 A.M.; and,
- (5) that she wanted to announce that the Gatlinburg Police Department G.C.O.P.P. is hosting the Jerry Dean Huskey Memorial 5K Race on Saturday, June 13, 2015, beginning at 9:00 A.M. The City Manager stated that this race is honoring officer Jerry Dean Huskey who was killed in the line of duty on June 14, 1975 and that funds raised from this event will benefit the Jerry Dean Huskey Memorial Scholarship Program which will provide a \$500 scholarship to Gatlinburg-Pittman High School students beginning with the Class of 2016 and other G.C.O.P.P. community outreach programs; and,
- (6) that the Smoky Mountain Tunes and Tales 10th Anniversary Season begins nightly performances Friday, June 12 and continues through August 1, from 6:00 P.M. to 11:00 P.M. at various locations throughout the City and commented that these costumed musical performers, storytellers and artisans portray traditional Smoky Mountain heritage and culture; and,
- (7) lastly, that she would like to announce that the Free Parkway Trolley service will begin Saturday, June 13 and continue through August 15, 2015 and stated that the Open Air Trolleys will run from 10:00 A.M. to 10:00 P.M. between traffic lights #1 and #10 and that there will be extra stops added along the Parkway.

ORDINANCE NUMBER 2480, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE BY REZONING TAX MAP 16, PARCELS 4 & 6, FROM R-2 (Medium Density Residential District) AND C-2 (General Business District) to C-4 (Recreation Commercial District), LOCATED ON DUDLEY CREEK ROAD, First Reading, (Passed Planning Commission 5/21/15).

Item A under New Business was Ordinance Number 2480, an Ordinance to amend the Zoning Ordinance by rezoning Tax Map 16, Parcels 4 & 6, from R-2 (Medium Density Residential District) and C-2 (General Business District) to C-4 (Recreation Commercial District), located on Dudley Creek Road, First Reading, (Passed

Planning Commission 5/21/15). Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the Ordinance which was seconded by Commissioner Helton. The City Manager then asked the Building and Planning Director to give an overview of the Ordinance and Mr. Ball proceeded to do so and stated that the proposed rezoning request is for two tracts that consist of approximately 72 acres of land to be rezoned to C-4 which would match up to current zoning of the existing Westgate properties. Mr. Ball further stated that this property was acquired by Westgate a few month ago to build a new access road to their facility and that the adjacent property is zoned C-4 which is consistent with this request. After these comments, the motion to approve Ordinance Number 2480 on First Reading was unanimously adopted.

DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF MAKING APPOINTMENTS TO THE PUBLIC BUILDING AUTHORITY.

The next Item under New Business was discussion and consideration of making appointments to the Public Building Authority. Vice Mayor McCown made a motion to reappoint Mr. Sam Cox, Mr. Kirby Smith and Mr. Tim Morrison which was seconded by Commissioner Helton and then unanimously adopted.

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

Item C under New Business was discussion and consideration of declaring certain City vehicles and equipment as surplus. Commissioner Smith made a motion to declare the items as surplus which was seconded by Commissioner Jerry Hays. Mayor Werner then asked the City Manager to review the list of surplus items. The City Manager commented that there are nine vehicles listed and range in age from 1976 to 2008 and that since the Computer Replacement Program was implemented, there are several items of computer equipment that can now be declared as surplus. After review, the motion to declare the aforementioned items as surplus was unanimously adopted.

DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF APPROVING A SINGLE BID TO RITCHIE TRACTOR FOR THE PURCHASE OF TWO MOWERS FOR THE RECREATION DEPARTMENT.

Item D under New Business was discussion and consideration of approving a single bid to Ritchie Tractor for the purchase of two mowers for the Recreation Department. Vice Mayor McCown made a motion to approve the single bid which was seconded by Commissioner Smith. The City Manager then asked the Parks and Recreation Director to explain and Mr. Nicely stated that the single bid is for two 48" John Deere mid-mount mowers and the City took an alternate bid for propane and stated that John Deere does not make propane power mowers and do have conversions available. Mr. Nicely concluded and stated that it is surprising that only one bid was received due to the fact that three local companies requested bid information and at least sixteen others were notified of this bid. After discussion, the motion to approve a

single bid to Ritchie Tractor for the purchase of two mowers for the Recreation Department was unanimously adopted.

ORDINANCE NUMBER 2481, AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING AN AMOUNT SUFFICIENT TO COVER THE NECESSARY EXPENSES OF THE VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS, OFFICES AND BOARDS OF THE CITY OF GATLINBURG PENDING THE FINAL PASSAGE OF THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2015-16, FIRST READING.

The last Item under New Business was Ordinance Number 2481, an Ordinance appropriating an amount sufficient to cover the necessary expenses of the various departments, offices and boards of the City of Gatlinburg pending the final passage of the Annual Appropriation Ordinance for the Fiscal Year 2015-16, First Reading. Commissioner Hays made a motion to approve the Ordinance which was seconded by Vice Mayor McCown. The City Manager then commented that this is commonly referred to as the Interim Budget Ordinance and that it is to enable the operation of the City for the months of July and August which is the time period needed for the Budget process and the Budget will be presented to City Commission sometime around July 20th and that Commission has until September 1 to approve the Budget. After these comments, the motion to approve Ordinance Number 2481 on First Reading was unanimously adopted.

UNSCHEDULED ITEMS:

Commissioner Jerry Hays:

- (1) Thanked everyone who voted on the 19th and stated that he really appreciated the turn out and the support.

Commissioner Don Smith:

- (1) Congratulated Commissioners Jerry Hays, Mike Werner and Mike Helton on their recent re-elections.

Vice Mayor Mark McCown:

- (1) Echoed the above regarding the recent City Election and stated that he is looking forward to serving as Vice Mayor.

Commissioner Mike Helton:

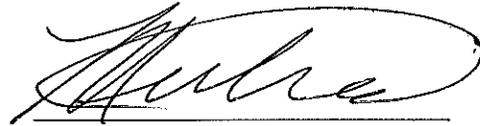
- (1) Stated that he appreciated everyone that came out to vote on the 19th and that there was a good turnout percentage wise as compared to the other local City elections; and,

- (2) Congratulated Mayor Mike Werner and Vice Mayor Mark McCown and stated that he is looking forward to serving with them.

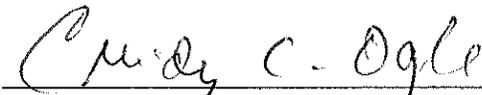
Mayor Mike Werner:

- (1) Stated that he appreciates the Public Building Authority members that were reappointed to the Board and their willingness to serve; and,
- (2) Offered his thanks again to fellow Commissioner Mike Helton for a great job this past year as Mayor; and,
- (3) Advised that he has received a petition to put air conditioning in the Community Center and submitted it to the City Manager requesting that this be considered in the upcoming Capital Improvements Program process.

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



Mike Werner, Mayor



Cindy Cameron Ogle, City Recorder

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