

The Gatlinburg Board of Commissioners met in a regular meeting on Tuesday, February 2, 2010, at 6:00 P.M. in the City Council Room. All members were present. Mayor Jerry Hays called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. City Planner David Ball gave the Invocation.

Mayor Hays called for a motion to approve the Minutes of the regular meeting of January 19, 2010. Commissioner Mike Werner made a motion to approve the Minutes which was seconded by Commissioner Don Smith and unanimously approved.

There were no petitions or communications from the Public or reports of Boards or Committees.

The City Manager reported and/or requested:

- (1) that she wanted to give a report on the rockslide on the Spur and stated that she had been in a couple of meetings over the last few days with Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT), National Park, and Pigeon Forge Officials and that tomorrow TDOT will be entering into an emergency contract with a contractor, not yet named, to construct a wooden retaining wall that could possibly take two phases to complete depending upon if aesthetic improvements are necessary. If two phases are necessary, it has been discussed that one lane would be opened on the Spur while the aesthetic improvements are made. The City Manager further stated that there will be a follow-up meeting on Thursday to advise as to whom the contract has been awarded and the time frame for completion, which has generally been discussed as taking one month from the time the contractor begins work at the site of the slide. The City Manager further commented that she wanted to specifically mention that our State Representatives and State Senator have been calling and have been very much concerned with this situation and the economic effects and that Representative Joe McCord has been talking with TDOT Officials and urging them to move the process along as quickly as possible. The City Manager concluded that she will report back with the information obtained from follow-up meetings.

There was no Old Business.

DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF APPROVING A RIGHT-OF-WAY USE REQUEST ADJACENT TO CHEROKEE ORCHARD ROAD (REQUESTED BY THE PARK VISTA HOTEL).

The first item under New Business was discussion and consideration of approving a right-of-way use request adjacent to Cherokee Orchard Road (Requested by the Park Vista Hotel). Vice Mayor Mike Helton made a motion to approve the right-of-way use request which was seconded by Commissioner Mark McCown. Vice Mayor Helton then asked about the column on the right hand side as to what kind of stone it would be and

Mr. Steven Douglas, with the Park Vista, responded that the column would be constructed of mountain stone and would mirror the column on the left of the proposed archway. The City Manager then asked Ms. Jackelyn Shafer, Park Vista General Manger, to provide an overview of the renovation project and Ms. Shafer stated that the Park Vista is renovating all guest rooms and purchasing all new furniture and lighting fixtures and hopes to soften the arrival to such a large structure with stacked stone and heavy timbers at the entrance and that the grand re-opening will be June 1, 2010. Commissioner Mark McCown then asked about the length of time of usage of the right-of-way and if the Park Vista has any rights of possession, to which the City Attorney responded that there is no adverse possession or prescriptive rights, it is only temporary and that the City has the property owner to sign an acknowledgment stating that the use is temporary. After discussion, the motion to approve the right-of way use request adjacent to Cherokee Orchard Road by the Park Vista Hotel was then unanimously adopted.

DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF APPROVING A REQUEST FOR USAGE OF THE AQUARIUM PARKING GARAGE BY MOUNTAIN HOPE GOOD SHEPHERD CLINIC FOR THE PIRATE'S BALL ON MARCH 11, 2010.

The next item under New Business was discussion and consideration of approving a request for usage of the Aquarium Parking Garage by Mountain Hope Good Shepherd Clinic for the Pirate's Ball on March 11, 2010. Commissioner Mike Werner made a motion to approve the request which was seconded by Vice Mayor Mike Helton and then unanimously approved.

DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF MAKING APPOINTMENTS TO THE ACQUISITION AGENT REVIEW BOARD.

Item C under New Business was discussion and consideration of making appointments to the Acquisition Agent Review Board. Commissioner Mark McCown made a motion to appoint Mr. Charlie Anderson as the Time Share representative, the City Manager as the City representative, and the Executive Director of the Chamber as the Chamber of Commerce representative on the Acquisition Agent Review Board. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Mike Werner and then unanimously adopted.

DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF APPROVING A GRANT AWARD FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS FOR THE PURCHASE OF PORTABLE RADIOS FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

The last item under New Business was discussion and consideration of approving a Grant Award for the Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs for the purchase of portable radios for the Police Department. Vice Mayor Mike Helton made a motion

to approve the Grant Award which was seconded by Commissioner Don Smith. The City Manager then explained that the funds are from federal stimulus monies and that it is a 100% Grant in the amount of \$13,845 which will buy approximately sixteen new radios for the Police Department that are greatly needed. After the City Manager's comments, the motion to approve the Grant Award from the Department of Justice was unanimously adopted.

UNSCHEDULED ITEMS:

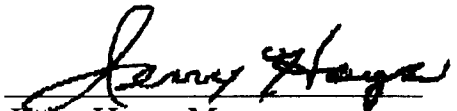
Commissioner Mike Werner:

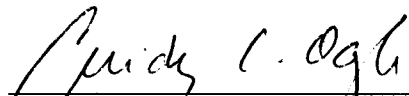
- (1) Stated that the Street Department did an excellent job clearing the roads this past weekend; and,
- (2) Commented that the Gatlinburg Pittman High School Boys Basketball team is ranked number 2 in the State and encouraged everyone to support the GPHS Boys and Girls Basketball teams.

Vice Mayor Mike Helton:

- (1) Complimented the Park Vista for their renovation project, especially during these economic times, and stated that it adds to the business community and expressed appreciation for the work that the Park Vista is doing; and,
- (2) Expressed get well wishes to Mr. Glenn Bogart, Principal at Pi Beta Phi Elementary School.

There being no further business to come before the City Commission, Commissioner Mike Werner made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Mark McCown seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.


Jerry Hays, Mayor


Cindy Cameron Ogle, City Recorder

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