The Board of Commissioners for the City of Pikeville met in regular session on Monday, January 24, 2005. The meeting was held in the City Hall Public Meeting Room located at 118 College Street, Pikeville, Kentucky.

Prior to beginning the Commission Meeting, Mayor Franklin D. Justice, II, administered the Oath of Office to Commissioner Dallas Layne. Commissioner Layne announced his marriage that had taken place on January 8th, and introduced his wife, Earlene to the audience.

Mayor Franklin D. Justice, II called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Commission Members present at roll call were as follows:

COMMISSIONER:  DALLAS LAYNE
                EUGENE W. DAVIS
                JAMES A. CARTER
                M. SHANE HALL

MAYOR:  FRANKLIN D. JUSTICE, II

AGENDA ITEM II.    MINUTES

The minutes for the previous meetings of December 13, 2004 and January 10, 2005 were included in each Commission Member’s agenda package. There being no additions or corrections, Commissioner Carter made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Layne to approve the minutes as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM III.    BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

1. Helping Hand: Mickey Anders and Rick Hisle addressed the Commission on behalf of the Ministerial Association of Pike County. The Ministerial Association operates the Helping Hand Agency and, for a number of years, the agency has been located in the Homeless Shelter building. Mr. Anders and Mr. Hisle expressed their gratitude to the City Commission for providing the space and utilities for the Helping Hand Agency. The Ministerial Association has decided to expand the services offered, which will require additional office space. The agency will move to the former Dollar Store location on Town Mountain Road. The Community Action Program awarded a grant to Helping Hand in the amount of $3,000 to assist with relocation costs. While a decision was not requested at this time, Mr. Anders and Mr. Hisle asked the Commission to consider assisting with relocation costs that exceed the funding provided through the Community Action Program grant. The Commission deferred any decision to a later meeting date.
2. Industrial Development Economic Authority (IDEA): Chamber of Commerce Executive Director, Kitty White and Mickey Anders, Chairman of the Chamber’s Economic Development Committee, delivered a verbal report of activities underway through the Industrial Development Economic Authority. The IDEA Board is meeting on a regular monthly basis. Board Members are Paul E. Patton, Chairman; John Elliott; Bill VanHoose; Frankie Billiter; Terry Deskins; and Leslie Combs. The IDEA Board has contracted with the Chamber of Commerce to operate the agency on a day-to-day basis. Mickey Anders is the acting director for the agency. Over the next year, $19+ million is expected to be spent in developing new companies and expanding existing facilities. New businesses to locate in Pikeville include two motel/hotels; a brokerage firm; an employment opportunity company; a computer software company; a bank; a large grocery store chain; and a substance abuse treatment facility. Expansion has been approved for the Pike County Jail, which will add 150 beds to the existing facility; construction of a second floor in Pikeville College’s Chrisman Auditorium; development of an outpatient care facility at Pikeville Medical Center; expansions of the National College of Business, John Deere, and Coca-Cola; as well as the completion of the East Kentucky Exposition Center. The new development and expansions are estimated to bring over 500 new jobs to Pikeville and Pike County. Ms. White and Mr. Anders advised they would present monthly progress reports, on behalf of the IDEA Board, to the City Commission.

AGENDA ITEM IV. PAYMENT OF BILLS

A list of City Bills totaling $445,421.38 was presented to the Commission for approval of payment. Commissioner Davis made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Carter to approve payment of the list of bills as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM V. OLD BUSINESS

A. BIG SANDY AREA DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT: Sandy Runyon, Executive Director for the Big Sandy Area Development District, reported the advertisement, soliciting bids for removal of asbestos from the structures acquired in Phase VI of the Redevelopment Project, is being prepared. Bids should be presented during the meeting of February 28, 2005.

B. MAIN STREET REPORTS: Main Street Agency director, Melissa Staggs, presented an invoice from Summit Engineering in the amount of $3,170.00 for approval of payment for services rendered in Phase III of the Utility Relocation Project. Ms. Staggs reported the invoice was approved for payment by the Main Street Board. Commissioner Layne made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Carter to approve payment of the invoice from Summit Engineering totaling $3,170.00. The motion carried unanimously.
C. CITY ENGINEER’S REPORTS: Charles Byers representing Summit Engineering, City Engineers, presented a verbal status report regarding the Indian Hills Sewer Extension Project. Mr. Byers advised the contractor, M & S General Contracting has begun work on the project. The contract provides for a 180 day construction period.

D. CITY ATTORNEY’S REPORTS: Jesse Baird was present as acting City Attorney in Russell H. Davis’ absence. Mr. Baird presented the following Ordinances for consideration:

1. Street Names: Presented and given second reading was an ordinance entitled as follows:

   ORDINANCE NAMING CERTAIN UNNAMED STREETS WITHIN THE CITY OF PIKEVILLE TO “WEST RIVER DRIVE, PEACH RIDGE DRIVE, MOONLIGHT DRIVE, AND SAMPSON DRIVE” O-2005-001

   Commissioner Hall made the motion to adopt the Ordinance as presented. Commissioner Carter seconded the motion. The motion carried by the following votes:

   COMMISSIONER:  DALLAS LAYNE   YES
   EUGENE W. DAVIS   YES
   JAMES A. CARTER   YES
   M. SHANE HALL     YES

   MAYOR:   FRANKLIN D. JUSTICE, II YES

2. Speed Limit: Presented and given first reading was an Ordinance captioned as follows:

   ORDINANCE SETTING SPEED LIMIT ON HAMBLEY BOULEVARD BETWEEN ITS INTERSECTIONS WITH JULIUS AVENUE AND HUFFMAN AVENUE WITHIN THE CITY OF PIKEVILLE AT 25 MPH

   Second reading was scheduled for February 14, 2005.

E. CITY MANAGER’S REPORTS: Donovan Blackburn, City Manager, requested a closed session for the purpose of discussing a personnel matter and a legal matter concerning economic development. Mayor Justice made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Carter to adjourn to closed session for the requested purposes. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Justice made the motion to reconvene to regular session. Commissioner Layne seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
City Manager Blackburn recommended the employment of Marsha Adkins in the position of Tax Clerk at the wage rate of $7.08/hr. Commissioner Layne made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Hall to employ Marsha Adkins in the position of Tax Clerk at the wage rate recommended by the City Manager. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Carter made the motion to adopt a resolution expressing the gratitude of the City Commission to Gary and Anita Johnson for their gift of property (former Care Academy) for use as a substance abuse treatment center. Commissioner Layne seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, Commissioner Davis made the motion to adjourn. Commissioner Hall seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

The next regular meeting of the Pikeville City Commission is scheduled for February 14, 2005 at 6:00 p.m.

APPROVED: ________________________________
FRANKLIN D. JUSTICE, II, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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KAREN W. HARRIS, CITY CLERK