The Board of Commissioners for the City of Pikeville met in regular meeting on Monday, November 14, 2005. The meeting was held in the City Hall Public Meeting Room located at 118 College Street, Pikeville, Kentucky.

There being a quorum present, Mayor Pro Tem Eugene W. Davis called the meeting to order. 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 was absent.

AGENDA ITEM II.  MINUTES

The minutes for the previous regular meeting of October 24, 2005 were included in each Commission Member’s agenda package. There being no additions or corrections, Commissioner Layne made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Hall to approve the minutes as prepared. The motion carried 4 – 0.

AGENDA ITEM III.  BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

A. HAMBLEY COMPLEX SOFTBALL FIELD:  Max Thompson, Pikeville Independent School Board attorney, and Russell Davis, city attorney, appeared before the Commission to discuss the Hambley Complex Softball Field Improvement Project. Steve Thacker Construction was the low bidder for the project at $110,440 – approximately $20,000 over the engineer’s estimate (including contingencies). Mr. Thompson reported that the Pikeville Independent School Board agreed to pay the cost of the improvements as the work is completed. The attorneys have prepared an amendment to the school’s existing lease agreement. Provisions include that if, and when, the Corp of Engineers, in their project to construct a flood wall, take the softball field property, the Pikeville Independent School Board will be compensated in an amount, determined by the Corp of Engineers, for the improvements to the softball field, up to $120,700. It will be noted that the City of Pikeville’s portion of the property is appraised at $400,000. Pikeville High School will have first priority for use of the softball field, however their use is not exclusive. Commissioner Hall made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Carter to award the bid to Steve Thacker Construction in the amount of $110,440 and to authorize the Mayor to execute the amended lease agreement with the Pikeville Independent School Board. The motion carried 4 – 0.
B. KENTUCKY COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS: John K. Fischer with the Kentucky Commission on Human Rights explained that he is traveling throughout Kentucky to encourage local governments to adopt an Ordinance to create a local Human Rights Commission. The Human Rights Commission would work in the area to discourage discrimination while promoting education and programs relating to fair housing, employment, and other areas. The local Human Rights Commission conducts research and legal studies and coordinates public workshops. A folder of information concerning the creation of a local Human Rights Commission along with a model ordinance was given to the Commission for review. Action was deferred pending further review of the information.

AGENDA ITEM IV. PAYMENT OF BILLS

A list of City Bills totaling $91,732.30 was presented to the Commission for approval of payment. Commissioner Carter made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Hall to approve payment of the bills as requested. The motion carried 4 – 0.

AGENDA ITEM V. OLD BUSINESS

A. BIG SANDY AREA DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT: Executive Director of the Big Sandy Area Development District, Sandy Runyon, reported that signed agreements to purchase the remainder of properties located on Saad Avenue have been received. It is expected the actual purchase of the four properties will take place after January 1, 2006.

B. PIKEVILLE MAIN STREET PROGRAM: Interim Director for the Pikeville Main Street Program, Serena Stiltner, presented the following items for the Commission’s consideration:

1. City Park Restroom Renovation: Ms. Stiltner presented a request to purchase new restroom fixtures in the amount of $16,462.00 and an invoice from Premium Contracting, for installation of the restroom fixtures, in the amount of $8,124.00 for approval of payment. Commissioner Layne made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Hall to approve payment of the invoices as requested. The motion carried 4 – 0. (Funded with Pikeville Main Street funds)

2. City Park Playground Equipment: Ms. Stiltner requested approval of payment of an invoice from David Williams & Associates in the amount of $26,126.25 for playground equipment for the downtown city park. Because the company was the only vendor offering a matching grant, sole source procurement was declared. Veolia Water agreed to install the equipment, saving an additional $9,000 in installation fees. Commissioner Layne made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Carter to approve payment of the invoice as presented. The motion carried 4 – 0. (Funded with Pikeville Main Street funds)
3. Renaissance on Main Grant: Ms. Stiltner requested permission to submit a funding application to Renaissance on Main in the amount of $150,000 to be used to offer property owners, whose buildings are located within the Renaissance area, a matching grant to improve their building facades. Commissioner Hall made the motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the funding application and to submit to Renaissance on Main. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion. The motion carried 4 – 0.

4. Sidewalk Rehabilitation: City Engineer, Jason Salisbury, presented for approval of payment two invoices on behalf of American Electric Power for rehabilitation work of sidewalks located on Main and Second Streets and Huffman Avenue. The invoices were in the amounts of $4,118.19 and $15,263.82. Ms. Stiltner requested the invoices be approved subject to the approval of the Main Street Board. Commissioner Carter made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Layne to approve payment to American Electric Power for invoices in the amount of $4,118.19 and $15,263.82, contingent upon the Main Street Board’s approval. The motion carried 4 – 0.

C. CITY ENGINEER’S REPORTS: Jason Salisbury, representing Summit Engineering, city engineers, recommended approval of Pay Estimate #1 from N.E. Zabkar Corporation in the amount of $25,208.81 for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Headworks Project. Commissioner Layne made the motion to approve payment to N.E. Zabkar Corporation as recommended by the city engineer. Commissioner Carter seconded the motion. The motion carried 4 – 0.

D. CITY ATTORNEY’S REPORTS: Russell H. Davis, Jr., city attorney, presented and gave first reading to an Ordinance entitled as follows:

AN ORDINANCE RELATED TO THE AMENDMENT OF SECTION 130.02 RELATING TO THE CURFEW FOR MINORS ADDING TO THE EXCEPTIONS TO THE CURFEW ATTENDANCE AT AN EAST KY EXPO CENTER EVENT

Second reading was scheduled for November 28, 2005.

E. FIRE DEPARTMENT UPDATE: No report

F. POLICE DEPARTMENT UPDATE: Pikeville Police Sergeant, Eddie Sword, presented a verbal report of the Police Department activities during the period of October 24, 2005 through November 13, 2005. Sgt. Sword advised that the Police Department received 709 calls. Over $23,000.00 in stolen property was recovered.

G. CITY MANAGER’S REPORTS: Donovan Blackburn, city manager, advised that bids were received for the American Electric Power project for installation of 925 linear feet of 5 strand, 5 inch conduit on South Mayo Trail behind the Landmark Inn. The low bid was submitted by JBC, Inc. in the amount of $35,400.
At the request of the city manager, the Commission deferred action until the next regular meeting with regard to award of bid for the lighting at the baseball/football field located at Hambley Complex.

City Manager Blackburn requested a closed session for the purpose of discussing a personnel matter and an economic development matter. Commissioner Hall made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Carter to adjourn to closed session to discuss a personnel matter and an economic development matter. The motion carried 4 – 0.

Commissioner Davis made the motion to reconvene to regular session. Commissioner Layne seconded the motion. The motion carried 3 – 0 (Commissioner Carter left before the meeting reconvened).

The city manager thanked Fire Department and City Hall personnel for constructing and operating a haunted house during the week of Halloween. The proceeds will go to benefit the American Cancer Society’s Relay for Life.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, Commissioner Davis made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Layne to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 3 – 0.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners is November 28, 2005.

APPROVED: ___________________________________
FRANKLIN D. JUSTICE, II, MAYOR

ATTEST:

KAREN W. HARRIS, CITY CLERK