

**CITY OF PIKEVILLE
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
May 22, 2015 AT 4:00 P.M.**

The Board of Commissioners for the City of Pikeville met in a special called session on Friday, May 22, 2015. The meeting was held in the City Hall Conference Meeting Room located at 243 Main Street, Pikeville, Kentucky.

(1) There being a quorum present, Mayor James A. Carter called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. Commission Members present at roll call were as follows:

COMMISSIONER:	Josh Huffman	
	Jerry Keith Coleman	Absent
	Barry Chaney	
	Franklin D. Justice, II	Absent

MAYOR: JAMES A. CARTER

(2) Consider approval of the minutes for the regular commission meeting held on May 11, 2015, as submitted, and to authorize the Mayor the authority to sign and execute said minutes on behalf of the City of Pikeville. Commissioner Chaney made the motion to approve. Commissioner Huffman seconded the motion. Mayor Carter called for discussion, there being none, the motion carried unanimously. 3-0.

(3) Consider request to adopt a proclamation, as submitted, naming the month of May as Kentucky Travel & Tourism Month and authorize the Mayor the authority to sign and execute said proclamation on behalf of the City of Pikeville. Commissioner Chaney made the motion to approve. Commissioner Huffman seconded the motion. Mayor Carter called for comments and reads the proclamation aloud. City Manager says that this past week that Barry and he were in Lexington and attended a conference and the Judges office kindly invited the City over to participate with City Tourism and County Tourism. Not only the county, but the city wants to work together, but also for the two tourisms to come together and show unity and the importance of what tourism means to this great area. In the recent study, thirteen million plus impacts the state of Kentucky. We discussed in our recent work session, that some of this may be some low hanging fruit for our region. The amount of dollars that come into Pike County and the City of Pikeville for tourism not only creates great quality of life but creates a lot of jobs and a lot of opportunity for people to travel within a reason within our area. From the city's perspective, not only as the City Manager but also from being on the tourism commission, we greatly appreciate our relationship both with the county, from a

governmental stand point and the county tourism and making tourism happen. They both do a wonderful job promoting tourism. There is a great face, Lena Goff, when you are walking through the door, and all the wonderful brochures and the showcases as you walk through the door. We sincerely appreciate our relationship and are excited about our opportunity. We are also very appreciative about today for everyone showing up to support the cities proclamation as well. Commissioner Chaney says that he has known most of the county tourism members for years and I feel like you are my family more than anything. Everyone has always been good to me. Tourism is a very important part in rebuilding our economy. In fact, it's a part that we can get an immediate return on. I hope we can make everybody understand how important it really is. I think the only component we are missing for our tourist is that the private sector has not stepped up. And I hope that someday that will happen. Mayor says that we have some advantage with Commissioner Huffman being on the Tourism Board as well as a City Commissioner we get to hear and see both sides. Commissioner Huffman says that he is glad to be able to sit in the role he does. On behalf of Tony Tackett, of the County Executive Tourism Board, he is honored to see Pikeville City and the County working together creating opportunity. To experience the culture of Pikeville and Pike County is tremendous. I do not think there is a warmer, more inviting, welcoming place. And to see the infrastructures that we are putting together to get those people here. The Zip, Paddle and Saddle, I cannot say enough good about that. The multiple things that can get people into Pike County and get people to experience this wonderful area. Just the experience that can be gained here, to have a home away from home. That is the kind of atmosphere I think that we would like to create together. Where they can come and shop, experience outdoors, experience our park, or raft down the river, or zip line through our wonderful, beautiful mountains. I encourage you all, if you have not had the opportunity to take part in that, it is really hard to speak on second hand knowledge. But if you get an opportunity to go or partake in any of that, then you can speak better to your community on what you are doing to seek our economic stability and promote your area first hand. On behalf of Tony Tackett who was unable to be here, as well as the City of Pikeville, I would just like to say that I am just thrilled at the progress that we are making and welcome aboard Andy Linton. And if you do not know him, he is our Director of Tourism. Look forward to working together. Eat, stay and sleep in some of our wonderful hotels. Thank you. Mayor Carter said I would also like to thank the County Tourism Commission for working hard, Tony and the City, on getting the Kentucky tourism convention here. That was a huge deal and I do not think anybody understood what a big deal it really was. I was so impressed by the crowd and so impressed to be able to show off our town and county. When I asked for a show of hands on that night of how many people who had never been to Pikeville, it was frightening in a way and good in another way cause they had a misconception of anything that we were rolling out. And it was good to talk about that. Ms. Goff stood up and says that Tony was sorry for not attending the meeting he had a funeral to attend. City Manager asked that Sean Cochran introduce the Pike County Tourism Committee members that were present and then invited them up for the signing of the proclamation. Mayor Carter

called for additional comments, there being none, the motion passed unanimously. 3-0.

(4) Consider a request to hire Ben Maynard, as a seasonal zipline tour guide, at the starting rate for said position, contingent upon him passing all the required pre-employment test. Commissioner Chaney made the motion to approve. Commissioner Huffman seconded the motion. Mayor Carter called for comments and Commissioner Huffman asked if Ben was a PHS graduate. Sean Cochran says that he will graduate on Sunday from Pikeville High School. Mayor Carter called for additional comments, there being none, the motion passed unanimously. 3-0.

(5) Consider a request of a first reading of Ordinance #0-2015-006 for the intent of closing a portion of Cricket Alley adjacent to the property owned by the Pikeville United Methodist Church, Inc. The second reading will take place at the next regular scheduled meeting.

(6) Consider a request to authorize and approve a Designation of Applicant's Agent Resolution, as submitted, naming Elizabeth Thompson as the City's Applicant Agent for FEMA. Commissioner Chaney made the motion to approve. Commissioner Huffman seconded the motion. Mayor Carter called for comments and asked Elizabeth if she was up for the task. Ms. Thompson says sure and City Manager says that after this week she should be. She has been in Frankfort all week with training so she is now certified. Mayor called for additional questions or comments, there being none, the motion passed unanimously. 3-0.

(7) Consider a request to approve and authorize payment of the City Bill lists, as submitted, for a total of \$1,078,791.65. Commissioner Huffman made the motion to approve. Commissioner Chaney seconded the motion. Mayor Carter called for comments, there being none, the motion passed unanimously. 3-0.

(8) Consider a request to authorize the advertisement for bidding of the Marion Branch Water and Sewer project. Commissioner Chaney made the motion to approve. Commissioner Huffman seconded the motion. Mayor Carter called for comments, there being none, the motion passed unanimously. 3-0.

(9) Consider a request to authorize and adopt a resolution, as submitted, regarding the authorization of interim financing for the USDA-RD loan and to authorize the Mayor the authority to sign and execute said resolution on behalf of the City of Pikeville. Commissioner Huffman made the motion to approve. Commissioner Chaney seconded the motion. Mayor Carter called for comments, there being none, the motion passed unanimously. 3-0.

(10) Consider a request to authorize and adopt a resolution regarding the intent to establish an ordinance for bonding the Marion Branch Industrial Park Water/Sewer Infrastructure Project. The resolution authorizes the Mayor or City

Manager to proceed with necessary legal steps for a bond sale and to authorize the Mayor the authority to sign and execute said resolution on behalf of the City of Pikeville. Commissioner Chaney made the motion to approve. Commissioner Huffman seconded the motion. Mayor Carter called for comments. Commissioner Huffman asked if this was a backup plan for funding. City Manager says no that this is the actual RD grant that has been awarded. Mayor called for additional comments, there being none, the motion passed unanimously. 3-0.

(11) Consider a request to authorize and approve pay request #5, as submitted, with Tom Wright Construction, Inc. for \$81,011.69 for the Multi-Site Water Main Replacement Project and to authorize the Mayor the authority to sign and execute said pay request on behalf of the City of Pikeville. Commissioner Chaney made the motion to approve. Commissioner Huffman seconded the motion. Mayor Carter called for comments, there being none, the motion passed unanimously. 3-0.

(12) Consider a request to authorize and adopt a resolution, as submitted, regarding the easement for use of City Streets for the Marion Branch Industrial Park Water/Sewer Infrastructure Project and to authorize the Mayor the authority to sign and execute said resolution on behalf of the City of Pikeville. Commissioner Huffman made the motion to approve. Commissioner Chaney seconded the motion. Mayor Carter called for comments, there being none, the motion passed unanimously. 3-0.

(13) Consider a request to authorize and approve an Electrical Inspector's Contract, as submitted, between the City of Pikeville and Darin Compton, as the cities backup electrical inspector and to authorize the Mayor the authority to sign and execute said contract on behalf of the City of Pikeville. Commissioner Chaney made the motion to move. Commissioner Huffman seconded the motion. Mayor Carter called for comments and asked if it happened a lot that we needed a backup. City Manager said not a lot but just in case. Mayor asked if it was same pay rate and all and City Manager said same. Mayor called for additional questions, there being none, the motion passed unanimously. 3-0.

(14) Consider a request to grant the cities surplus chain-link fencing, that was taken down from the softball field at Bob Amos, to a local non-profit franchise team, the Pikeville Bandits, who is with the USSSA organization for the purpose of the using the fence for enclosing their baseball field. Commissioner Chaney made the motion to approve. Commissioner Huffman seconded the motion. Mayor Carter called for comments and Mayor says that Robby Wright contacted him and said that there are two travel teams in Pikeville. This is on private property but it is non-profit and I have been told that any kid from any town can come in and play on this field. After talking to Donovan and Donnie, we have no use for this chain link fence, so they can use it. Commissioner Huffman asked where the field was and Mayor said it was on Keith Hall's property. Mayor says it is for anyone that can use it and

it is non-profit so we can donate it. Mayor Carter called for additional questions, there being none, the motion passed unanimously. 3-0.

(15) Consider a request to authorize and approve a Waste Disposal Agreement, as submitted, between the Pike County Fiscal Court and the City of Pikeville and authorizing the Mayor the authority to sign and execute said agreement on behalf of the City of Pikeville. Commissioner Chaney made the motion to approve. Commissioner Huffman seconded the motion. Mayor Carter called for comments. City Manager says that I have had the honor over the last couple of months, I'll say, of working with Judge Deskins, and some of his team and Magistrates. And we are where we are nearing the completion of our last contract, which was for ten years, effective June 1. The county was very workable the last couple of months and revised our contract. It was an extremely fair contract with the City and the County. Over the last couple of weeks, with them looking over the legal terms and us looking over legal terms, we were able to come to an agreement. The commission was aware of the renewal contract. We are delighted and pleased for the workable attitude with both the County and the City. On my behalf, I would like to thank the Judge and the Fiscal Court for the working attitude. Mayor says that he would also like to thank the Fiscal Court and the Judge for being so open minded for the contract that we have. We have one of the most fair garbage rates probably in the nation. I want to thank the County for working with us on this and Donovan, who did a great job getting in there and negotiating. Worked out well for both parties. Commissioner Huffman thanked Donovan for fighting for it and the cooperation of Judge Deskins and the Fiscal Court. He is really thankful that it has come to the resolution that it has. City Manager says it is a great spirit of cooperation. Commissioner Chaney says that he cannot remember a time when we have had a better relationship with the county. The cooperation is as a team not just for Pike County but for Eastern Kentucky. I look forward for continued partnership with them and Judge Deskins. It is a blessing and I think all of Pike County will see a difference. City Manager says that the contract is proof of it and even further Judge Deskins is the one I worked the contract out with ten years ago. Great partner for all of Pike County. Mayor Carter called for additional questions, there being none, the motion passed unanimously. 3-0.

(16) Consent Items:

1. The City Commission has been invited to meet and greet the Big Sandy Community and Technical College new President Dr. G Devin Stephenson on June 2, 2015 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the atrium of the Pikeville Campus.
2. The City Commission is invited to attend the Scholar House Graduates Celebration event on Tuesday, May 26, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. at the Scholar House of Central Appalachian complex.
3. City Hall will be closed on Monday, May 25, 2015 for Memorial Day.

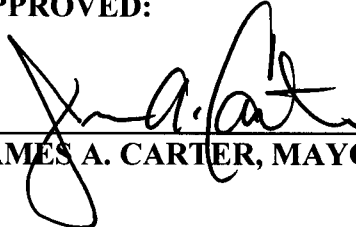
(17) Pursuant to KRS 61.810, consider request for closed session for the purpose of discussion of a legal matter relating to new business opportunities for the City of Pikeville and legal issue on behalf of the City. Commissioner Huffman made the motion to approve. Commissioner Chaney seconded the motion. Mayor called for comments, there being none, the motion passed unanimously. 3-0.

(18) Consider request to re-convene to regular session. Commissioner Huffman made the motion to re convene. Commissioner Chaney seconded the motion. Mayor Carter called for comments, there being none, the motion passed unanimously. 3-0. Mayor called the session back into order.

(19) There being no further business to come before the commission, Commissioner Huffman made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Chaney seconded the motion. Mayor Carter called for comments, there being none, the meeting was adjourned. 3-0.

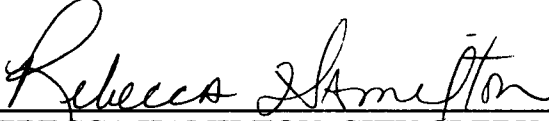
The next scheduled Regular Meeting of the City of Pikeville Board of Commissioners is June 8, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

APPROVED:



JAMES A. CARTER, MAYOR

ATTESTED:



REBECCA HAMILTON, CITY CLERK