

## MINUTES } CITY OF PIKEVILLE

## REGULAR MEETING - JANUARY 23, 1989

The City of Pikeville Board of Commissioners met in a regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, January 23, 1989. The meeting was conducted in the regular meeting quarters in the City Hall Public Meeting Room at 260 Hambley Boulevard.

Mayor Pro Tem Steve Combs called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. The following Commission Members were present and formed a quorum:

COMMISSIONER:	STEVE COMBS	
	GREG JUSTICE	
	THOMAS HUFFMAN	
	JOHNNY MOUNTS	
MAYOR:	W. C. HAMBLEY, M.D.	7:35 P.M.

## MINUTES

The minutes for the previous regular meeting of January 9, 1989 were included in each Commission Member's agenda package. Thomas Huffman made the motion, seconded by Greg Justice to approve the minutes as presented. The motion carried 4 - 0.

BUSINESS FROM  
THE FLOOR

Leon Huffman introduced Jerry Vaughn to the Commission. Mr. Vaughn has been selected to serve as director of the Industrial and Economic Development Authority. The City Commission, when the operating budget was adopted, agreed to fund this agency, along with the County. The City's share is around \$38,000. Greg Justice made the motion to make the payments in to monthly installments with payment beginning at this time. Thomas Huffman seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Jimmy Williamson presented pictures to the Commission of the Harolds Branch road which was recently surfaced with blacktop. CD & G, a gas drilling company, has been working in this area and has damaged the road. Mr. Williamson requested that the Commission direct the City Attorney to contact the drilling company advising that repairs need to be made to the road before departure. The Commission directed the City Attorney to contact the drilling company relative to Mr. Williamson's request.

Walter Blankenship, Acting City Manager, reported that Kinzer Drilling Company has begun laying gas line in Bob Amos Park. Mr. Blankenship advised that the gas lines are not buried. The wells are being drilled on Urban Renewal property. The City Attorney was directed to review the contract between Urban Renewal and Kinzer Drilling. The City Attorney commented that the City's rights, as surface owners, must also be considered. Thomas Huffman made the motion to direct Kinzer Drilling to bury the gas lines. Greg Justice seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

## CITY BILLS

City Bills totaling \$82,352.08 were presented to the Commission for approval of payment. Thomas Huffman made the motion, seconded by Greg Justice to approve payment as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.

## PROJECT BILLS

A list of Project Bills totaling \$25,718.44 were presented to the Commission for approval of payment. The City Engineer advised that the request of \$16,120.75 from Elliot Contracting is the final payment for the fire station. Total amount of the fire station contract is \$147,520.75. The bid was \$146,000, however the addition of two change orders brought the contract amount to \$147,520.75. Thomas Huffman made the motion to approve payment of the Project Bills totaling \$25,718.44 as requested. Steve Combs seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

## POLICE STATION

Commissioner Huffman advised that the Fire Department has moved to the new Fire Station on Chloe and the Urban Renewal Agency will also be relocating. Thomas Huffman made the motion to write a letter to the Board of Directors of the Urban Renewal Agency asking that the property at 211 Division Street be deeded to the City of Pikeville for the purpose of constructing a Police Station. Johnny Mounts seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

## OVERLOOK

David Stratton, Chairman of the Tourism Commission, reported that they have an outstanding bill of about \$6,000 to be paid to the contractor for the Overlook structure. Mr. Stratton requested that the Commission approve withdrawal of Hotel/Motel fees to pay this bill. Grace Ratliff, Tax Administrator, reported that per Commission directive, she wrote a letter of request to the Tourism Commission asking that a budget



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be submitted before the release of any funds. Mr. Stratton reported that he had not had time to prepare a budget. Mrs. Ratliff also asked for a report of tax returns for the Hotel/Motel fees that were sent directly to Mr. Stratton's office. Mr. Stratton indicated that he had been working to get a report. The Finance Director reported that the only money on hand is \$17,156 from a grant from the Big Sandy Area Development District. Thomas Huffman made the motion to approve payment of the invoice. Greg Justice seconded the motion. The motion carried 4 - 0 - 1 with Thomas Huffman abstaining. The Commission directed that the City would pay the invoice directly to the contractor.

## RESOLUTION

The Park and Recreation Board submitted a resolution for the Commission's consideration with regard to the area behind the overlook structure. Mr. Stratton reported that it was the Tourism Commission's understanding that a master plan would be developed by a committee from the Parks Board and a committee from the Tourism Commission for the property behind the overlook structure. Mr. Stratton indicated that the committee had not met yet. The Commission directed that a meeting be scheduled for the two boards to meet to work out a satisfactory agreement. Mr. Stratton commented that he has no problem with the Park Department doing any work in the area leading to the Overlook as long as the immediate area is not disturbed until a master plan has been developed.

## CITY ATTORNEY REPORTS

Rusty Davis, City Attorney, gave a verbal report of activities of this office.

PSG: Mr. Davis reported that he had received a written response to the Commission's letter asking that they pay for chemical insertion for odor alleviation. PSG stated that any problem within the collection line is outside their scope to operate the plant. Rob Nichols stated that a study has been performed and a written report is forthcoming. Mr. Nichols reported that in trying to eliminate the odor, the digester operation has been changed, chemicals have been added to the drying beds, and are looking at alternatives in taking a load off the trickling filter. The City Engineer, Jack Sykes, reported that a bid package has been circulated advising of 5 sewage treatment package plants for sale in Austin, Texas. Two of the plants have a capacity of 1.2 MGD. The plants are in relatively good shape. The plants were in use for about 7 months and have been inactive for about 1½ years. It has been determined that two package plants will fit on the site, but will require some excavation. The plants are 140 ft. in diameter. Bids must be submitted by February 2, 1989. It is estimated that it will cost \$2½ million to transport and assemble the plants on the City's site. Included in the estimate is repainting of the tanks and replacement of bearings, etc. Kevin Howard of Summit Engineering met with officials at the Division of Water. Those officials have indicated that the plants would meet the limits imposed and did not see a problem with permitting the plant. Mr. Sykes indicated that this system may be more expensive to operate than the present trickling filter operation. Mr. Sykes asked the Commission to continue this meeting until January 31, 1989 at 5:00 in order to give him an opportunity to gather all the information on the package plants and to give PSG an opportunity to present a proposal to the Commission relative to a turn-key project. Thomas Huffman made the motion, seconded by Johnny Mounts to continue the meeting until Tuesday, January 31, 1989 at 5:00 P.M. The motion carried unanimously.

Lindsey & Elliot Lawsuit: Mr. Davis gave notice to the Commission that Lindsey & Elliot Gas Company has filed a petition for a rehearing.

Ordinance: With regard to the amendment to the Water, Gas, Sewage Rate Ordinance concerning penalties, the Finance Director reported that it would cost about \$1,000 to change the current billing program. In addition to the program change, the billing forms would also have to be changed. It was recommended that the ordinance be modified to provide for due dates of utility bills on the 15th of the month but give a five day grace period, then after five days or the 20th of the month, then a 5% penalty would apply. The Ordinance will be changed to reflect this amendment and brought before the Commission at the next regular meeting for first reading.

The Commission discussed the Keyser Hollow sewage problem. Mr. Blankenship reported that the problem stems from an eight inch line draining into a three inch line which causes overflow. He reported that a meeting has been scheduled with Denton Billiter of KYDOT on January 24th to discuss a possible solution.



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## CITY ENGINEER REPORTS

Jack Sykes of Summit Engineering made a verbal presentation of ongoing City Projects.

1. Guardrail: Mr. Sykes advised the Commission that he has advertised for bids for the guardrail on Peach Orchard and will open bids on January 26, 1989.

2. Williams Hollow Sewer: The plans are in Frankfort for review.

3. Steele/St. Clair Separation: City staff is currently working on obtaining easements for this storm sewer separation project.

4. Hoopwood Water Line Extension: Mr. Sykes reported that he has contacted Mountain Water District, per Commission directive, relative to the proposed extension of the waterline on Island Creek. Mountain Water has responded that they do not have the funds to assist with this proposed project.

5. Mountain Water District: Jack Sykes was authorized to inform Mountain Water District by letter that they have permission to move the meter and adjust the bill on the four to five customers affected on Town Mountain.

## SUPPLIES & CHEMICALS

Steve Combs made the motion to award the bid for General Supplies for the 1989 calendar year to East Kentucky Chemical. Thomas Huffman seconded the motion. The motion carried 4 - 0 - 1 with Greg Justice abstaining.

## WORK SESSIONS

The City Clerk was directed to schedule a work session with the water districts to discuss possible rate increases.

A work session was scheduled for Tuesday, January 31, 1989, with Cecil Ray and Hal Williams. The work session will be conducted after the Commission's continued meeting.

## RETIREMENT

The Finance Director gave notice that Dan Greene of Kentucky Retirement Systems will be talking with city employees on February 7th and 8th.

## RAW WATER INTAKE

Cecil Ray advised the Commission that the ten inch waterline main at the Raw Water Intake is leaking. Jack Sykes reported that the leak is in the vicinity of where the instability in the bank occurred. The Commission directed the City Attorney to give notice to Powell Construction Company and R. D. Zande of this problem.

## WATER LEAK

Commissioner Combs advised the Commission of a water leak in the center of the road near the Highway Department offices.

## EXECUTIVE SESSION

Thomas Huffman made the motion to adjourn to an executive session to discuss appointment of a fire chief, a proposal from the Big Sandy Area Development District, and a pending legal matter. Steve Combs seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

## RECONVENE

Thomas Huffman made the motion, seconded by Johnny Mounts to reconvene the meeting to regular session. The motion carried 4 - 0. Commissioner Justice left before the meeting was reconvened.

## PUBLIC WORKS

Thomas Huffman made the motion to appoint Clifford Collins to the position of Public Works Superintendent effective January 31, 1989 subject to a satisfactory completion of a six month probationary period. Johnny Mounts seconded the motion. The motion carried 3 - 0 - 1 with Steve Combs abstaining.

## FIRE CHIEF

The City Clerk was directed to schedule a work session for Thursday, January 26, 1989 for the purpose of interviewing applicants for the position of fire chief.

## STREET NAMING

Thomas Huffman made the motion to authorize the City Attorney to draft an ordinance to name the riverfill access street located off Main Street in honor of the late Don Combs. Johnny Mounts seconded the motion. The motion carried 3 - 0 - 1 with Steve Combs abstaining.



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Thomas Huffman made the motion to determine a cost to construct a fire station to service the residents of the Keel Addition and in the surrounding area. Johnny Mounts seconded the motion subject to the condition that the construction of a police station would have first priority. The motion carried unanimously.

## CITY MANAGER

Commissioner Mounts made the announcement that the status of filling the City Manager's position was back at the beginning due to the top three applicants turning down the job. He announced that the vacancy would be readvertised and go through the whole process again and should be able to fill this vacancy within five months.

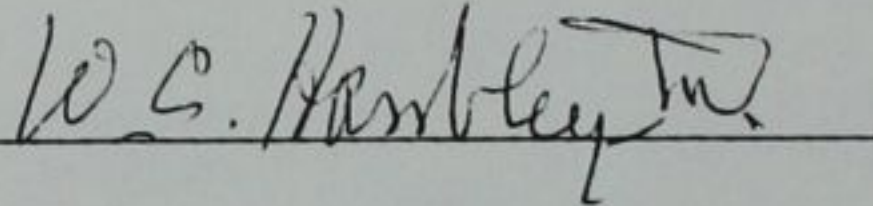
SOUTH MAYO  
TRAIL CONDEMN-  
ATION SUIT

The City Attorney reported that he has pending South Mayo Trail condemnation suits. Commissioner Justice has agreed to settle his case for \$7,120. Mr. Davis reported that this amount, in his opinion, is fair and recommended that this case be settled. Thomas Huffman made the motion, seconded by Steve Combs to settle the case. The motion carried unanimously.

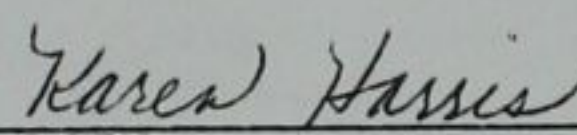
## ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Commission, Thomas Huffman made the motion, seconded by Johnny Mounts to adjourn the meeting until Tuesday, January 31, 1989 at 5:00. The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVED



ATTEST:

  
CITY CLERK