

## **New Business:**

### **DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF APPROVING A CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE FOR ROBERT M. TROSPER D/B/A GATEWAY PACKAGE STORE, 1125 PARKWAY.**

Item A under New Business was discussion and consideration of approving a Certificate of Compliance for Robert M. Trospers D/B/A Gateway Package Store, 1125 Parkway. Commissioner Reagan made a motion to approve the Certificate of Compliance which was seconded by Commissioner Smith. The motion to approve the Certificate of Compliance was unanimously adopted.

### **DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF THE RENEWAL OF THE HUMANA MEDICAL INSURANCE PLAN FOR THE PERIOD OF JUNE 1, 2023 TO MAY 30, 2024.**

Item B under New Business was discussion and consideration of the renewal of the Humana Medical Insurance Plan for the period of June 1, 2023 to May 30, 2024. Commissioner Reagan made a motion to defer the renewal which was seconded by Commissioner Smith. The motion to defer the renewal was unanimously adopted.

### **DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF APPROVING A CONTRACT WITH WHALEY CONSTRUCTION, LLC, RELATED TO THE HERBERT HOLT RENOVATION PROJECT.**

Item C under New Business was discussion and consideration of approving a Contract with Whaley Construction, LLC, related to the Herbert Holt Renovation Project. Commissioner Reagan made a motion to approve the Contract which was seconded by Commissioner Smith. The City Manager explained that this was reviewed with Commissioners at the Mid Fiscal Year Review meeting and that Whaley Construction was the low bid in the amount of \$1,490,821. The Recreation Director explained that this low bid was negotiated down to the Contract amount after the City agreed to take on paving and landscaping work and that Whaley Construction was the contractor on the Mynatt Park ADA Accessibility Project and performed well. Following these comments, the motion to approve the Contract was unanimously adopted.

### **DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF APPROVING A CONTRACT WITH WHALEY CONSTRUCTION, LLC, RELATED TO THE HOLLY BRANCH DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT.**

Item D under New Business was discussion and consideration of approving a Contract with Whaley Construction, LLC, related to Herbert Holt Renovation Project. Commissioner Reagan made a motion to approve the Contract which was seconded by Commissioner Smith. The City Manager explained that this Contract is in the amount of \$449,092 and has a 60 day completion period and that it is funded in the current Budget. The Public Works Director explained that the Project scope includes removing 230 feet of culvert and pipe and restoring Holly Branch to an open stream, as well as replacing the

The Gatlinburg Board of Commissioners met in a regular meeting on Tuesday, February 21, 2023, at 6:00 P.M. at Rocky Top Sports World. All members were present except for Vice Mayor Mark McCown and Commissioner Ryan DeSear. Mayor Mike Werner called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Finance Director Robert Holt gave the Invocation.

Mayor Werner then called for a motion to approve the Minutes of the regular meeting of January 17, 2023. Commissioner Chad Reagan made a motion to approve the Minutes which was seconded by Commissioner Kirby Smith and then unanimously adopted.

Regarding Reports of Boards and Committees, the Environmental Design Review Board Awards were presented by Mayor Werner as follows:

Recognition of the 2021-22 ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN REVIEW BOARD (EDRB) AWARDS:

**SIGN DESIGN:**

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| <b>Award Winner:</b>       | Gatlinburg Brewing Company                                      |
| <b>Certificate Awards:</b> | Moonshine Mountain Coaster<br>Cumberland Jack's LeConte Kitchen |

**BUILDING ADDITIONS/RENOVATIONS:**

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| <b>Award Winner:</b>       | Tennessee Stud Cider House        |
| <b>Certificate Awards:</b> | Cumberland Jack's LeConte Kitchen |

Mayor Werner also presented a Certificate of Recognition was presented to Ronald E. Sharp for his 47 years of service as City Attorney. Mr. Sharp was appointed as City Attorney in 1975 and has been instrumental in many endeavors of the City throughout his years of service. Mr. Sharp's career as the City Attorney has also been recognized across the State and Nation, including being awarded the International Municipal Lawyers Association with its James H. Epps III Award for Longevity of Service to a Community Award.

**The City Manager reported and/or requested:**

- (1) that she would like to advise that status updates of the FY 2021-22 and 2022-23 Capital Projects have been placed at the podium for review; and,
- (2) that she would also like to advise that a status update on the City Hall Restoration Project is at the podium for review; and,
- (3) that she wanted to announce that the Gatlinburg Firefighters Association Fit for Duty 5K and 10K is scheduled for Saturday, March 25 and that registration for the race is underway and that anyone interested in information can contact the Gatlinburg Fire Department.

retaining wall adjacent to the stream. Following these comments, the motion to approve the Contract was unanimously adopted.

**DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF APPROVING A LEASE WITH EAST TENNESSEE HOLDINGS, LLC, RELATED TO THE GLADES ROAD RESTROOMS.**

Item E under New Business was discussion and consideration of approving a Lease with East Tennessee Holdings, LLC, related to the Glades Road Restrooms. Commissioner Reagan made a motion to approve the lease which was seconded by Commissioner Smith. The City Manager explained that the Glades Road Restrooms have been remodeled, with an expected completion date of February 24 and that during the remodeling process, the City discovered that the Lease Agreement needed to be updated and approved. Following these comments, the motion to approve the lease was unanimously adopted.

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 1001, A RESOLUTION SETTING AND ESTABLISHING THE FEES, RATES AND CHARGES FOR THE USE OF THE GOLF COURSE.**

Item F under New Business was Resolution Number 1001, a Resolution setting and establishing the fees, rates, and charges for the use of the Golf Course. Commissioner Smith made a motion to adopt the Resolution which was seconded by Commissioner Reagan. The City Manager explained that this was reviewed with Commissioners at the Mid Fiscal Year Review meeting and that there are several proposed changes. The Golf Course Manager explained that the Resolution proposes an increase of non-member in-season rates from \$65 to \$75, changing in-season rates to begin April 15, increases spectator fees from \$16 to \$20, as well as restructuring rates for residents of Sevier County. Following these comments, the motion to adopt the Resolution was unanimously approved.

**DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF MAKING APPOINTMENTS TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN REVIEW BOARD.**

Item G under New Business was discussion and consideration of making appointments to the Environmental Design Review Board. Commissioner Reagan nominated Jared Durrett to be appointed and Randy Watson to be reappointed to the Environmental Design Review Board. The nominations were unanimously approved.

**DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF MAKING AN APPOINTMENT TO THE MUNICIPAL BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS.**

Item H under New Business was discussion and consideration of making an appointment to the Municipal Board of Zoning Appeals. Commissioner Reagan nominated Cynthia Bowling to be reappointed to the Municipal Board of Zoning Appeals. The nomination was unanimously approved.

### **DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF MAKING APPOINTMENTS TO THE CITY TREE BOARD.**

Item I under New Business was discussion and consideration of making appointments to the City Tree Board. Commissioner Reagan nominated Dennis Malcom to be appointed and Heath Sohen and Jan Lapides to be reappointed to the City Tree Board. The nominations were unanimously approved.

### **DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF APPROVING A CONTRACT FOR THE CONVEYANCE OF VEHICLES TO THE SEVIER COUNTY SHERIFF DEPARTMENT.**

Item J under New Business was discussion and consideration of approving a Contract for the conveyance of vehicles to the Sevier County Sheriff Department. Commissioner Reagan made a motion to approve the Contract which was seconded by Commissioner Smith. The City Manager explained that these vehicles were part of a seizure associated with the Sevier County Street Crimes Unit and a Gatlinburg Police Officer was the lead officer in this case. The Police Chief explained that these vehicles would be conveyed to the Sevier County Sheriff's Office for their use. Following these comments, the motion to approve the Contract was unanimously adopted.

### **DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF APPROVING A CONTRACT FOR THE CONVEYANCE OF PICNIC TABLES AND BENCHES TO THE GATLINBURG - PITTMAN JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL.**

Item K under New Business was discussion and consideration of approving a Contract for the conveyance of picnic tables and benches to the Gatlinburg-Pittman Junior High School. Commissioner Reagan made a motion to approve the Contract which was seconded by Commissioner Smith. The motion to approve the Contract was unanimously adopted.

### **RESOLUTION NUMBER 1002, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PUBLIC ENTITY PARTNERS CYBER SECURITY MATCHING GRANT PROGRAM.**

Item L under New Business was Resolution Number 1002, a Resolution authorizing the City to participate in the Public Entity Partners Cyber Security Matching Grant Program. Commissioner Reagan made a motion to adopt the Resolution which was seconded by Commissioner Smith. The City Manager explained that this is a new grant opportunity through Public Entity Partners and that the City anticipates receiving \$2,000 to offset costs that have been incurred. The Finance Director explained that the City has participated in several Public Entity Partners grant opportunities in the past and that the City has already incurred expenditures that can be used for its matching portion of the grant. Following these comments, the motion to adopt the Resolution was unanimously approved.

**ORDINANCE NUMBER 2598, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 2595 THE CAPTION OF WHICH IS AN ORDINANCE MAKING AND FIXING THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION FOR THE SEVERAL DEPARTMENTS OF THE CITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2022, AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2023, First Reading.**

Item M under New Business was Ordinance Number 2598, an Ordinance amending Ordinance Number 2595 the caption of which is an Ordinance making and fixing the annual appropriation for the several Departments of the City for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2022, and ending June 30, 2023, First Reading. Commissioner Reagan made a motion to adopt the Ordinance on first reading which was seconded by Commissioner Smith. The City Manager explained that these items were reviewed with Commissioners at the Mid Fiscal Year Review Meeting and that there is a memorandum attached to the Ordinance explaining various amendments necessary at this time in the Fiscal Year. Following these comments, the motion to adopt the Ordinance on first reading was unanimously approved.

**DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF DECLARING CERTAIN CITY ITEMS AS SURPLUS.**

Item N under New Business was discussion and consideration of declaring certain City items as surplus. Commissioner Reagan made a motion to declare the items as surplus which was seconded by Commissioner Smith. The City Manager explained that there is a memorandum from the Finance Director delineating the various items being requested to be declared as surplus. The Finance Director also explained that there are several surplus vehicles from City Departments that are no longer needed in this declaration of surplus items. Following these comments, the motion to declare the items as surplus was unanimously adopted.

**UNSCHEDULED ITEMS:**

**Commissioner Kirby Smith**

(1) Asked if there was any update on the status of the Spur Tunnel Rehabilitation Project from the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. The Assistant City Manager replied that in a conversation with the subcontractor on the Project that the Project remains on schedule to reopen both lanes before the April 7, 2023, completion date and that the Project is slated to change the lane that is closed in the next week.

**Commissioner Chad Reagan**

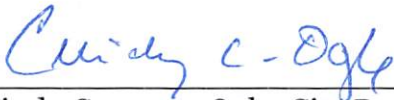
(1) Stated that he asked everyone to remember the Ralph Maples family in their prayers; and,

(2) Stated that he wanted to congratulate the Gatlinburg-Pittman High School girls' basketball team for winning the District 2-AA championship on Monday night and that the win was also Coach Katie Moore's 300<sup>th</sup> career win.

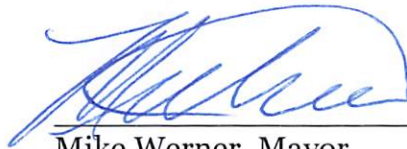
**Mayor Mike Werner**

(1) Stated that he wanted to ask everyone to remember Vice Mayor McCown in their prayers as he continues to recover from a recent illness.

There being no further business to come before the City Commission, Commissioner Reagan made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.



Cindy Cameron Ogle, City Recorder  
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Mike Werner, Mayor