

Minutes of the Regular Work Session of the  
Board of Mayor and Aldermen, City of Kingsport, Tennessee  
Monday, February 17, 2014, 3:00 PM  
Council Room – City Hall

PRESENT: Board of Mayor and Aldermen

Mayor Dennis Phillips	Vice-Mayor Mike McIntire
Alderman John Clark	Alderman Tom C. Parham
Alderman Colette George	Alderman Tom Segelhorst
<i>(arrived after roll call)</i>	

City Administration

John G. Campbell, City Manager  
J. Michael Billingsley, City Attorney  
James H. Demming, City Recorder

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** 3:00 p.m. by Mayor Phillips.
2. **ROLL CALL:** By Deputy City Recorder Marshall. Absent: Alderman Jantry Shupe.
3. **STRATEGIC PLANNING SESSION.** Assistant City Manager Jeff Fleming gave a brief introduction, highlighting important economic development events in Kingsport's historical timeline. Mr. Clay Walker of NETWORKS then gave a presentation and talked about the key elements for success in Sullivan County. Mr. Walker highlighted issues such as recruitment, marketing and partnerships. Discussion followed as he also answered questions from the board.
4. **STANLEY AND COMSA V. CITY OF KINGSPORT DISCUSSION.** Mayor Phillips stated since this has not been signed by the judge yet, there will be no discussion.

*[NOTE: At this time a ten minute break was observed from 4:45pm - 4:55pm]*

5. **WORK SESSION TICKLER.** Alderman Segelhorst commented on the workers compensation information, noting there were eight claims in January but the board only received three incident reports. Mayor Phillips pointed out when an issue is important to the BMA, staff should make an effort to provide the requested information. A brief discussion followed concerning road conditions. City Manager Campbell gave an update on the bids received for the carousel. Public Works Director McReynolds stated they intend to move forward with the low bidder after having a meeting to make sure they understand the full scope of the project.
6. **REVIEW OF AGENDA ITEMS ON THE FEBRUARY 18, 2014 REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA.** City Manager Campbell, members of staff and community members provided a summary or presentation for each item on the proposed agenda. Those items the Board discussed at greater length or which received specific questions or concerns included:

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**VI.AA.1 Public Hearing and Consideration of Ordinance to Amend the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 114, Article 3, Apartment Districts (AF: 08-2014).** City Planner Corey Shepherd presented this item, noting that density determines the district. He stated the intent of this change is to be more developer friendly for R3, R4 and R5 by removing the floor area ratio. He pointed out it wasn't any more or less restrictive, it was just a different and easier way to calculate. Vice-Mayor McIntire noted it was fair and consistent. City Attorney Billingsley commented on the need for an amendment to this ordinance so the format will be easier to read when codified.

**VI.D.1 Consideration of a Resolution to Authorize the Sale of Surplus Property to Frontier Health and Authorize the Mayor to Execute the Agreement and Sign All Applicable Documents (AF: 30-2014).** Mayor Phillips questioned if we would be taking away from city parking at the facility. Mr. Campbell stated staff does not see a problem.

**VI.D.2 Consideration of a Resolution Awarding the Bid for the Purchase of Various Water and Sewer Maintenance Items to Consolidated Pipe & Supply, Southern Pipe & Supply, Ferguson Enterprises & HD Supply Waterworks (AF: 35-2014).** City Manager Campbell provided details on this item, noting there is a summary page of the ten bidders that share a portion of this bid.


**VI.D.4 Consideration of a Resolution to Participate in a Cooperative Purchasing Agreement for Self-Funded Health Insurance Plans (AF: 38-2014).** City Manager Campbell stated staff has been working with Sherrill Morgan for months and this solution offers the potential to save money in the long run. City Attorney Billingsley further explained the city is not changing insurance, just the way we can buy it.


**VI.D.5 Consideration and Approval of a Resolution Authorizing an Early Open Enrollment to the City's Health Insurance (AF: 36-2014).** City Manager Campbell stated allowing early enrollment would help the current budget process by giving staff a more accurate figure of who is participating in the health insurance plan. There was some discussion.

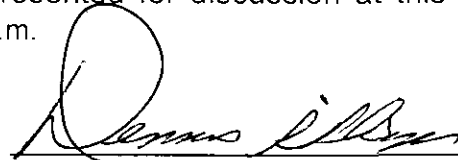
**BOARD COMMENT.** Alderman Segelhorst noted he has heard many positive comments about the snow removal.

**PUBLIC COMMENT.** Ms. Barbara Brown commented.

**8. ADJOURN.** Seeing no other matters presented for discussion at this work session, Mayor Phillips adjourned the meeting at 5:40 p.m.

  
ANGELA MARSHALL  
Deputy City Recorder



  
DENNIS R. PHILLIPS  
Mayor