

Minutes of the Regular Work Session of the
Board of Mayor and Aldermen, City of Kingsport, Tennessee
Monday, May 4, 2009, 4:30 PM
Council Room – City Hall

PRESENT:

Board of Mayor and Aldermen

Mayor Dennis R. Phillips

Alderman Valerie Joh

Vice-Mayor Benjamin K. Mallicote

Alderman Larry A. Munsey

Alderman Patrick W. Shull

Alderman Jantry Shupe

City Administration

John G. Campbell, City Manager

J. Michael Billingsley, City Attorney

James H. Demming, City Recorder

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** 4:32 p.m., by Mayor Phillips.
2. **ROLL CALL:** By Deputy City Recorder Gilbert. Absent: Alderman Charles K. Marsh, Jr.
3. **WORK SESSION TICKLER.** Alderman Munsey questioned whether projects involving the aquatic center and MeadowView Conference Center expansion should be added to the tickler and City Manager Campbell responded that there is an agenda item on tomorrow night's agenda regarding the GMP (guaranteed maximum price) on MeadowView and there are plans for a major presentation on the aquatic center at the next BMA work session.
4. **REVIEW OF AGENDA ITEMS ON MAY 5, 2009 REGULAR BUSINESS 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:

VI.B.1 Consideration of an Ordinance Establishing a Policy in Compliance with T.C.A. Section 47-18-2901 for the Protection of Confidential Information on Laptop Computers and Removable Storage Devices (AF: 87-2009). City Attorney Billingsley explained the need for this action to encrypt City equipment, such as thumbdrives, laptops, and Blackberry cell phones, in protecting the City from liability should confidential information be leaked. Alderman Shull asked if employees aren't already restricted from taking confidential information outside of their place of employment and City Attorney explained that many employees, especially police, have reason to access confidential information outside the City environment.

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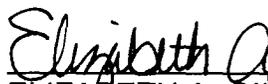
At this point in the meeting, Alderman Munsey requested the Board be provided with an update on the Riverwalk Project and Mr. Campbell said he would advise Board members of the properties acquired to date in connection with this project.

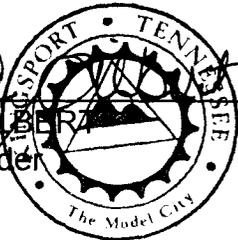
5. REVIEW SEVERAL ALTERNATIVES FOR BETTER CONNECTIVITY FROM STONE DRIVE TO NETHERLAND INN ROAD. Public Works Director Ryan McReynolds presented various alternatives and asked Board members for comment and input to provide MPO direction as to which connectivity avenue to pursue. The presentation invited Board discussion regarding various routes and costs entailed with each due to the involvement of the CSX train tracks and extent to which the tracks will be affected.

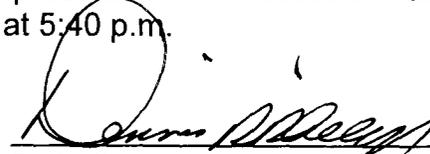
On a different subject, Mayor Phillips inquired about the timeframe on improvement of the Industry Drive intersection and Assistant to City Manager Chris McCartt indicated the current goal is to have the intersection operational by May 2010.

In response to an inquiry about the status of the Netherland Inn Road boat ramp, Mr. McCartt shared that permits are required from both TDEC (Tennessee Department of Environmental Conservation) and TVA (Tennessee Valley Authority) and have 60 to 90 days to respond. As soon as permission received, the City is ready to bid and is contemplating proceeding with the bidding process, contingent on received the required permission.

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


ELIZABETH A. GILBERT
Deputy City Recorder




DENNIS R. PHILLIPS
Mayor