

John Roberts
Mayor

City of Red Bank
COMMISSIONERS AGENDA WORK SESSION
RED BANK CITY HALL
Minutes
February 20, 2018
5:00 p.m.

Randall G. Smith
City Manager

The Board of Commissioners met in a public and advertised Agenda Work Session on February 20, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. The purpose of the meeting was to receive information on upcoming business items. Those in attendance were Vice Mayor Eddie Pierce, Commissioners Terry Pope and Carol Rose. Mayor John Roberts and Commissioner Ed LeCompte was absent. Also present were City Manager Randall Smith, City Attorney Arnold Stulce, Police Chief Robert Simpson, Fire Chief Mark Mathews, Public Works Director Tim Thornbury, Finance Director John Alexander and City Recorder Ruth Rohen. There were no public attendees.

1. In response to prior Commission inquiries about the appropriateness of such an ordinance, City Manager Smith provided statistical information in regard to false alarm calls that the police department has responded to in the past four months. He advised that a draft false alarm ordinance was given out during the February 6th Agenda Work Session. Several questions in regard to the severity of the problem, penalties and collections were asked and answered. This ordinance will be on the March 6th Commission Meeting for consideration.
2. City Manager Smith distributed an amended draft on-street parking ordinance. Mr. Stulce explained provisions of the amended ordinance regarding service vehicles.
3. City Manager Smith advised that the city has certificates of appreciation ready to present to members appointed to the Red Bank School District Advisory Committee. All members were contacted last week and asked to attend tonight's meeting.
4. City Manager Smith advised that there is a resolution on the agenda tonight to approve an agreement with HL Management Services LLC for renovations of the building at 3105 Dayton Blvd. for use as a City Hall Administrative Office Building.
5. City Manager Smith gave cost estimates for two repair projects in the city: Ashland Terrace /Dayton Boulevard intersection box culvert repair \$600,000 and Fair Street ditch erosion repair \$200,000.
6. City Manager Smith advised that regulations for short-term rental properties are currently being considered by the legislature. He feels that the city should move forward with adopting its own regulations with the understanding that future amendments may be necessary. This item is on the March 6th Commission Meeting for a Public Hearing and first reading.
7. City Manager Smith advised that several cell phone companies are lobbying the legislature to remove local government's ability and authority to regulate cell towers and access sites. He explained that TML and other city liaisons are trying to keep the regulatory authority at the local level. He advised that he will provide more information as he receives it.
8. City Manager Smith advised that the Planning Commission reviewed the possibility of creating a C-3 zone, with suggested permitted uses, on north Dayton Blvd. between Meadowbrook Dr. and the north city limits. He provided a document showing not only their recommendation for the stated area, but also permitted uses in C-1 and C2 zones. It was determined that the City Manager and Public Works Director Thornbury would review the recommended uses in the C-3 zone only and bring their recommendation back to the Commission.
9. City Manager Smith advised that he previously asked Commissioners for suggestions of projects to submit to the Red Bank and Soddy Daisy Charitable Foundation for grant funding. Commissioner Rose advised she submitted three suggestions. It was determined that the City Manager will submit a request for finding to purchase Christmas decorations for Dayton Blvd.
10. City Manager Smith advised that city personnel are beginning work on the FY 2019 budget. He advised that there are several large and expensive necessary upcoming projects and asked the Commission to consider raising the tax rate to \$1.35, which was the rate prior to last year's property reassessments. He advised that the increase will result approximately \$370,000 in additional tax revenue.

- 11. City Manager Smith advised that he would like to conduct a design competition for the old middle school property. Approximately three acres of required park land would be incorporated into the design request. He advised that he would like to award \$5,000.00 to the winning design.
- 12. City Manager Smith presented quotes for contract labor to perform mowing services for the city. A cost estimates are \$153,000 per year. He advised that it would be more cost effective to hire two additional employees for the Public Works Department at a cost of approximately \$87,746.00 to accomplish the work and have 2 employees available for other seasonal work.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Mayor

City Recorder