

Hollie Berry
Mayor

City of Red Bank
COMMISSIONERS AGENDA WORK SESSION
JOE GLASSCOCK COMMUNITY CENTER

Tim Thornbury
City Manager

Minutes
February 2, 2021
5:00 p.m.

The Board of Commissioners met via ZOOM in a public and duly advertised Agenda Work Session on February 2, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. The date, time and location of the meeting were advertised in the Hamilton County Herald and on the City of Red Bank website together with instructions and an internet link to enable attendance and participation by the public. The purpose of the meeting was to receive information on upcoming business items. Those in attendance were Mayor Hollie Berry, Vice Mayor Stefanie Dalton, Commissioner Ruth Jeno, Commissioner Pete Phillips and Commissioner Ed LeCompte. Also present were City Manager Tim Thornbury, City Attorney Arnold Stulce, Jr., City Recorder Tracey Perry and those listed on Exhibit A.

1. Corinne Hill made a presentation on the Chattanooga Public Library. The library offers many physical and digital books; reference and educational resource; a tool library; curbside concierge services; and computer, copy, print, fax and notary services. The slide show is available in the recording on our website. Mayor Berry discussed the current fee for Hamilton County residents and possibly starting a Pilot Program where the City buys a set number of library cards and making them available to the citizens to gauge interest in our City. Mayor Berry inquired on the next steps to getting the library program into the budget discussions.
2. Mayor Berry proposed some experimental "No Mow Zones" as pollinator habitats in Red Bank. The proposed areas are around the water retention basin at the dog park, the upper flat area of the dog park, the slope area between the upper and lower parking lots and along the edge of the property that butts up to the Hamilton County School property. Concerns included possibilities of rodents, lack of buffer zones and coyotes. It was noted that the process is reversible if these concerns become reality. Commissioner Jeno wants to walk the proposed areas before deciding on giving the go ahead to try the proposal.
3. City Manager Tim Thornbury advised that the Paving of Dayton Blvd from Greenleaf St to Browntown Rd is ready to proceed. Resolution 21-1390 is on the Agenda for approval tonight. This project is 80% Grant, 20% City funded.
4. City Manager Tim Thornbury advised that the City is ready to proceed with a Storm Water Rate Study by MTAS. This is a no-cost service. Resolution 21-1391 is on the Agenda for approval tonight. Once approved, the City can move forward toward scheduling the study.
5. Mayor Berry proposed the starting of "Yard of the Month" program based on a suggestion from a citizen. It was suggested that we could use our Facebook page to ask citizens to nominate yards for recognition and then put a photograph of the "winning" yard on our page each month. Commissioner Jeno spoke of a similar program the City did before which was well-received, but not all citizens wanted to participate. Commissioner Phillips approved of the concept. City Manager cautioned about using Facebook, as it needs to be reserved for informational purposes.
6. City Manager Tim Thornbury advised the paving project from Newberry to Greenleaf is progressing well, but there had to be some changes. Sidewalks and gutters had to be modified to allow for entry and exit of some parking lots.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Mayor

Date

City Recorder

Date