

*City of Red Bank*  
**COMMISSIONERS AGENDA WORK SESSION**  
**RED BANK CITY HALL**

Minutes  
December 18, 2018  
5:00 p.m.

The Board of Commissioners met in a public and advertised Agenda Work Session on December 18, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. The purpose of the meeting was to receive information on upcoming business items. Those in attendance were Mayor Eddie Pierce, Vice Mayor Terry Pope, Commissioners Ruth Jenó, Ed LeCompte and Carol Rose. Also present were City Manager Tim Thornbury, Interim Police Chief John Wright, Finance Director John Alexander, Fire Chief Mark Mathews, and City Recorder Ruth Rohen. There were no citizen attendees.

1. City Manager Thornbury advised that there is a Public Hearing and first reading of an ordinance on the agenda tonight to rezone property at 4701 Delashmitt Rd. from R-1A to R-T/Z, subject to conditions. He advised that the Planning Commission reviewed the request and recommended approval of the rezoning with conditions stated in the ordinance.
2. Mayor Pierce advised that there is a resolution on the Agenda tonight to cancel the January 1<sup>st</sup> Agenda Work Session and Commission Meeting because of the New Year's holiday.
3. City Manager Thornbury advised that there is a resolution on the agenda tonight to reallocate grant funding that was received from the Red Bank Soddy Daisy Charitable Foundation. He advised that the funds were earmarked for administrative costs associated with right of way and easement services to extend Stringer's Ridge Trail Park. He advised that not all of the original grant funding was needed for that purpose and that he is in receipt of a letter from the Foundation authorizing the City to purchase an all-terrain type vehicle to access hard to reach parts of the park for maintenance and emergency response purposes.
4. City Manager Thornbury advised that there is a resolution on the agenda tonight to declare City owned SCBA equipment and property as surplus and to authorize auction of the property on GOVDEALS.COM. He advised that the equipment is old and outdated and was replaced in the FY 2019 budget.
5. City Manager Thornbury advised that there is a resolution on the agenda tonight to approve a variance request by Tyler Smith in regard to roadway width. He advised that Mr. Smith filled out the appropriate application requesting the variance due to the existing topography and which meets the standards and requirements of the recently passed Ordinance that allows the City Commission to grant variances in limited circumstances such as are present in this particular instance. Tyler Smith was in attendance and presented schematic drawings of the roadway and planned development. Fire Chief Mathews advised that he has reviewed the 20 foot roadway request and advised that fire apparatus and emergency vehicles will be able to access the property at 252 Hedgewood Drive.
6. City Manager Thornbury advised that there is resolution on the agenda tonight authorizing the Chief of Police to sign an agreement in regard to the 2019 High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas Grant. He advised that this is an \$18,000.00 reimbursing grant that will be used for overtime purposes related to drug interdiction. He advised that there is no local agency match but that the City will pay overtime expenses up front and request reimbursement from the grant.
7. City Manager Thornbury advised that the numerical terms of the current Variance Board members have expired but that they continue in office until reappointed or until a successor is named. He asked Commissioners to consider new replacements or reappointments. Item will be discussed further at the January 15<sup>th</sup> Agenda Work Session.
8. City Manager Thornbury advised that the City received a \$17,000.00 donation from the Discretionary Funds of former Hamilton County Commissioner Joe Graham. He explained that Mr. Graham included a letter explaining that these funds were to be used for repair and maintenance to City recreational facilities.
9. City Manager Thornbury reminded the Commissioners that the WWTa owns and is responsible for the operation of the sewer system in the City of Red Bank. He shared that due to excessive rains WWTa and the sewer system in Red Bank have had several overflows recently. Consequently the WWTa has placed a moratorium on new construction in certain areas of the city. He advised that the WWTa has indicated that upgrades and repairs are scheduled to begin in March of 2019 with the expectation that these upgrades should alleviate the overflow issues. Funding is apparently available through a CDBG sewer grant. WWTa has advised that the moratorium could be in place for as long as a year.

- 10. Free discount prescription drug cards offered through the Tennessee Municipal League have been ordered. Commissioner Jeno recommended taking some of the cards to Walgreen and Food City pharmacy.
- 11. City Manager Thornbury advised that he and City Attorney Stulce are reviewing the new sign ordinance. He advised that it should be ready in February for a Public Hearing and first reading.
- 12. Commissioner Rose advised that she has had some citizen comments in regard to the pedestrian islands that have been installed. City Manager Thornbury advised that the project is almost complete and he will do his final inspection in the next couple of weeks.

The meeting was adjourned at 6.01 p.m.

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Mayor

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City Recorder