

John Roberts
Mayor

City of Red Bank
COMMISSIONERS AGENDA WORK SESSION
RED BANK CITY HALL
Minutes
December 5, 2017
12:00 p.m.

Randall G. Smith
City Manager

The Board of Commissioners met in a public and advertised Agenda Work Session on December 5, 2017 at 12:00 p.m. The purpose of the meeting was to receive information on upcoming business items. Those in attendance were Mayor John Roberts, Vice Mayor Eddie Pierce, Commissioners Ed LeCompte, Terry Pope and Carol Rose. Also present were City Manager Randall Smith, 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. City Manager Smith advised that there is a Public Hearing and resolution on the agenda tonight in regard to closing a portion of Ashmore Avenue. He presented four options for closing the roadway. Vice Mayor Pierce and Commissioners Rose and Pope had questions in regard to the purpose for the closure. Mayor Roberts advised that he had been approached by HGH Construction with the request that the Commission consider closing the area of roadway in the 2400 block of Ashmore Avenue to enhance the development of the area.
2. Mayor Roberts advised that there is a Public Hearing and second reading of ordinances to rezone properties located at 109 Woodrow Ave., from R-1 to C-1, and 217 W. Ridgewood Ave., from R-1 to R-T/Z, on the agenda tonight. It was explained that due to the fifteen day notice requirement that the Public Hearing is being held on second reading of the ordinance and that the Planning Commission had recommended approval regarding both properties.
3. Mayor Roberts advised that there are condemnation hearings on the agenda tonight for structures located at 309 W. Midvale Ave. and 364 Sweetland Dr.
4. Mayor Roberts advised that there is a resolution on the agenda tonight to approve the sale of seized and surplus property by public auction on GOVDEALS.COM.
5. City Manager Smith advised that the Planning Commission is studying making a recommendation to the City Commission to revise the zoning ordinance in regard to square footage requirements in the R-1 and R-1A zones. He advised that they are also reviewing zoning of properties located along Dayton Blvd. north from Ashland Terrace to Gadd Road.
6. City Manager Smith advised that there has been an uptake in false burglar alarms and presented a draft ordinance in regard to the issue. He asked the Commission to review for further discussion at a future Agenda Work Session.
7. City Manager Smith advised that City Attorney Stulce has reviewed the proposed contract from Columbia Cascade for the purchase of playground equipment for the Redding Rd. Playground. He advised that there are provisions in the contract for dispute resolution via arbitration. He explained that the City Attorney is not particularly comfortable with agreeing to the arbitration provision but since Columbia Cascade is a single source vendor for wooden playgrounds he will defer to the will of the Commission. The City Commission desires in this one instance and because of special and single source supply circumstances to allow an arbitration clause to be included in the contract.
8. City Manager Smith advised that the Commission recently approved a purchase contract for a flatbed truck. He advised that when the truck was ordered by the vendor/company, it was accidentally order in black instead of white as specified in the bid. Due to the lengthy time that it would take to reorder a white truck, the commission members consented to accepting the black truck.
9. Commissioner LeCompte requested that implementation of the solar panel regulating ordinance be expedited and available within 90 days.
10. City Manager Smith distributed a draft residential rental property inspection ordinance and advised that it would be placed back on a work agenda after the first of the year.

- 11. Mayor Roberts advised that he has been reviewing the draft sign ordinance that was recently distributed to commissioners. He explained that he would like to update the current sign ordinance instead of doing a complete rewrite.
- 12. Police Chief Robert Simpson gave an update on the new K-9 program.
- 13. City Manager Smith advised that he has been working with the City Attorney in regard to on-street parking and explained that draft ordinances would be ready for review after the first of the year.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:17 p.m.

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City Recorder