

Hollie Berry
Mayor

City of Red Bank
BUDGET WORKSHOP

John Alexander
Interim City Manager

Minutes
May 24, 2021
4:15 p.m.

The Board of Commissioners met in a public and duly advertised Budget Workshop on May 24, 2021 at 4:15 p.m. The date, time and location of the meeting were advertised in the Chattanooga Times Free Press on the City's Facebook page and on the City of Red Bank website together with instructions and an internet link to enable virtual attendance by the public. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss FY 2022 proposed budget. Those in attendance were Mayor Hollie Berry, Vice Mayor Stefanie Dalton, Commissioner Ruth Jenó, Commissioner Ed LeCompte and Commissioner Pete Phillips. Also present were Interim City Manager John Alexander, City Recorder Tracey Perry and those listed on Exhibit A.

I. Call to Order – Mayor Berry called the workshop to order at 4:15 p.m.

II. Roll Call – Mayor Berry, Vice Mayor Stefanie Dalton, Commissioner Ruth Jenó, Commissioner Ed LeCompte, and Commissioner Pete Phillips were present. Also present was City Recorder Tracey Perry, Interim City Manager and Finance Director John Alexander, Fire Chief Mark Mathews, Deputy Fire Chief Brent Sylar, Chief Dan Seymour and those listed on Exhibit A.

III. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

DISCUSSION OF PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 BUDGET

Curb-side Recycling – General consensus of the Board was to initiate the program. The truck will be financed. The Solid Waste and Recycling fees will be lumped together as one fee.

Minimum pay increase to \$15/hr within the next 2-3 years – General consensus of the Board was to bring the pay rate of all employees making less than \$15/hr in the Fire Department and Public Works Department up to \$15/hr and maintain the pay gaps by raising all other employees in those 2 departments by the same increment, excluding Department Heads and Administrative staff.

Compensation for the Planning Commission – Consensus of the Board was to approve compensation of \$300/yr for each member of the Planning Commission.

3% raise vs. 2% raise – Discussed, no consensus as yet. Will continue to look at 2% vs 3% raise for everyone not effected by the minimum increase to \$15/hr referenced above.

New "Welcome to Red Bank" signs – put on hold until a later date

Upgrade to recording equipment for Commission Meeting Room– put on hold until a later date, may qualify for grant funding

New sign for City Hall – put on hold until a later date

Pedestrian Islands – Install flashing safety lights

Library Pilot Program – City will buy 50 library cards at \$50/ea, will offer to Red Bank
Citizens on first come first serve basis for \$25/ea. Restrictions shall apply.

Update City website – discussion tabled until quotes are located

Another Budget Workshop scheduled for June 1, 2021 at 4:15 p.m.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Jeno made a motion to adjourn the workshop, seconded by Vice Mayor Dalton. The workshop adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Hollie Berry (date)

City Recorder Tracey Perry (date)