

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETING**

Minutes

August 18, 2015

7:00 p.m.

- I. **Call to Order** –Mayor John Roberts called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- II. **Roll Call** – City Manager Randall Smith called the roll. Mayor Roberts, Vice Mayor Pierce, Commissioners Causer, LeCompte and Pope were present. Also present were City Attorney Arnold Stulce, Fire Chief Mark Mathews, Police Chief Tim Christol, Public Works Director Tim Thornbury, Finance Director John Alexander, City Recorder Ruth Rohen and those listed on Exhibit “A”.
- III. **Invocation** – Vice Mayor Eddie Pierce gave the Invocation.
- IV. **Pledge of Allegiance** – Fire Chief Mark Mathews led the Pledge of Allegiance
- V. **Consideration of the Minutes for approval or correction:**
  - A. **August 4, 2015, Agenda Meeting**
  - B. **August 4, 2015 Commission Work Session**Commissioner Causer made a motion to approve the minutes as printed, seconded by Commissioner LeCompte. The minutes of both meetings were approved with all Commissioners voting “yes”.
- VI. **Communication from the Mayor**
  - Welcomed everyone
  - Spoke at a recent meeting of the Pachyderm Club about recent developments in Red Bank and the direction that the City of Red Bank is moving towards.
- VII. **Commissioner’s Report**
  - **Vice-Mayor Eddie Pierce**
    - Welcomed everyone.
  - **Commissioner Rick Causer**
    - Welcomed everyone.
  - **Commissioner Ed LeCompte**
    - Welcomed everyone.
    - Attended the memorial service this past Saturday for the five service members that were killed in Chattanooga. It was a very heartfelt and moving service.
    - Attended a meeting today at the Southeast Tennessee Development District.
  - **Commissioner Terry Pope**
    - Welcomed everyone.
    - Announced that the U.S. Marine Corp Band will be performing at Red Bank High School on September 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:30 p.m. Tickets to attend are free and can be requested on-line at the Marine Corp website.
- VIII. **City Manager Report**
  - Cautioned everyone to drive carefully during rainy weather and to call City Hall if there are any flooding problems.
- IX. **Unfinished Business** –
  - A. **ORDINANCE NO. 15-1037 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RED BANK, TENNESSEE, TO AMEND THE FY 2016 OPERATING BUDGET IN ORDER TO APPROPRIATE CARRY-OVER ENCUMBRANCES (SECOND AND FINAL READING)**

Mayor Roberts explained that this will appropriate funding in the 2015-2016 budget to complete projects that were started but not completed in last fiscal year. Vice Mayor Pierce made a motion to approve the ordinance, seconded by Commissioner Pope. Commissioner Causer explained that he will be voting “no” on the ordinance because it includes funding for a sidewalk project on Ashland Terrace that will narrow the lanes going east on Ashland Terrace to one lane until you get past Bank Street. Mayor Roberts explained the cost savings to the City by narrowing the lanes for a short distance as opposed to removing the rock wall that is located in that area. Mayor Roberts invited Citizen Comments:

    - James Webster, 1740 Ashmore Ave., Feels that narrowing the lanes to one lane will create traffic problems.

City Manager Smith explained where the lanes will be narrowed and where the two lane road would begin. After no further comments Mayor Roberts asked City Manager Smith to

call the roll: **Mayor Roberts “yes”, Vice Mayor Pierce “yes”, Commissioner Causer “no”, Commissioner LeCompte “yes”, Commissioner Pope “yes”**. Ordinance No. 15-1037 was approved by a 4 to 1 vote.

**X. New Business –**

**A. RESOLUTION NO. 15-1068 – A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF RED BANK, TENNESSEE, FORMALLY OPPOSING THE REDISTRIBUTION OF STATE SHARED SALES TAXES**

Mayor Roberts explained that municipalities receive a portion of state sales taxes collected within Tennessee. He advised that Hamilton County Mayor Jim Coppinger is proposing a redistribution of these state shared taxes so that Hamilton County would receive a portion of the municipal share, which would decrease the amount that local municipalities receive. City Manager Smith advised that the City of Red Bank’s revenue from state shared sales taxes would be decreased by \$273,450. After some further discussion, Commissioner Causer made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Vice Mayor Pierce. Resolution No. 15-1068 was approved with all Commissioners voting “yes”.

**B. RESOLUTION NO. 15-1069 – A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH WORLDWIDE EQUIPMENT ENTERPRISES, INC. FOR THE PURCHASE OF A BRUSH COLLECTION TRUCK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$123,048.00**

City Manager Smith explained that the Solid Waste Department currently operates two brush trucks within the City. He advised that one of the trucks is old and is in constant need of repair causing the brush pick-up to run behind. He explained that the purchase of a new brush truck is a budgeted item and funds are available in the Solid Waste budget to complete the purchase without the need of financing. Commissioner Causer made a motion to approve the resolution, including authorizing the City Manager to sign the contract upon approval by the City Attorney. The motion was seconded by Commissioner LeCompte. Resolution No. 15-1069 was approved with all Commissioners voting “yes”.

**XI. Citizen Comments**

- Susan Williams, 2909 Williamsburg Ln., Presented a sketch of rendering of a park area that she feels would be a good use for the old middle school property located on Dayton Blvd.
- Jon Baker, 1802 Ashmore Ave., Asked if there are any plans to increase the sanitation fees.

**XII. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 7: 25 P.M.

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MAYOR

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City Recorder