

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

Minutes
June 2, 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, 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** – Finance Director John Alexander led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- V. **Consideration of the Minutes for approval or correction:**
 - A. **May 19, 2015 Agenda Meeting**
 - B. **May 19, 2015 Commission Meeting**Vice Mayor Pierce made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Commissioner LeCompte. The minutes of both meetings were approved with all Commissioners voting “yes”.
- VI. **Communication from the Mayor**
 - Welcomed everyone.
 - Invited everyone to attend Erlanger North’s Homecoming celebration on Sunday, June 14th from 11:00 – 3:00.
- VII. **Commissioner’s Report**
 - **Vice-Mayor Eddie Pierce**
 - Welcomed everyone.
 - Encouraged citizens to use the various parks and the swimming pool in Red Bank.
 - **Commissioner Rick Causer**
 - Welcomed everyone.
 - **Commissioner Ed LeCompte**
 - Welcomed everyone.
 - Thanked Commissioner Pope for inviting him to attend the swimming pool party.
 - Signed the property plat today for the Red Bank High School / Middle School property.
 - **Commissioner Terry Pope**
 - Welcomed everyone.
 - Since school is out more children are outside playing, encouraged everyone to be extra cautious.
- VIII. **City Manager Report**
 - Fire Department won the softball game this year.
 - Explained the Tennessee Department of Safety’s Yellow Dot Program and advised that the program stickers and information packets can be picked up at the Red Bank Fire Hall.
 - Vice Mayor Pierce will be inducted into Chattanooga State’s Sports Hall of Fame for playing golf while attending college there. The ceremony will be conducted this Sunday at 2:00 p.m. at the Health / Science Building on campus.
- IX. **Unfinished Business** –
 - A. **ORDINANCE NO. 15-1030 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RED BANK, TENNESSEE, AMENDING ORDINANCE 98-768 IN ORDER TO AUTHORIZE CERTAIN PAY FOR EMPLOYEE ACCRUED VACATION HOURS CURRENTLY IN EXCESS OF 400 HOURS (SECOND AND FINAL READING)**

City Manager Smith explained that there is currently no maximum amount of vacation leave that an employee may accrue and that there are several employees that have in excess of 400 hours of accrued vacation. Mr. Smith advised that this ordinance would authorize a one-time only payment to employees for any accrued vacation over 400 hours thereby reducing the city’s liability. Commissioner Causer made a motion to approve the ordinance, seconded by Commissioner LeCompte. **Roll Call Vote: Mayor Roberts “yes”, Vice Mayor Pierce “yes”, Commissioner Causer “yes”, Commissioner LeCompte “yes”, Commissioner Pope “yes”.** Ordinance No. 15-1030 was approved on second and final reading with all Commissioners voting “yes”.

B. ORDINANCE NO. 15-1031 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RED BANK, TENNESSEE, TO AMEND FISCAL YEAR 2015 OPERATING BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$98,448.48 (SECOND AND FINAL READING)

Mayor Roberts explained that this ordinance is related to the previous vacation pay ordinance and that in order to facilitate the vacation pay the city will need to amend the fiscal year 2015 budget to include funding. Commissioner Causer made a motion to approve the ordinance, seconded by Commissioner Pope. **Roll Call Vote: Mayor Roberts “yes”, Vice Mayor Pierce “yes”, Commissioner Causer “yes”, Commissioner LeCompte “yes”, Commissioner Pope “yes”.** Ordinance No. 15-1031 was approved on second and final reading with all Commissioners voting “yes”.

X. New Business –

A. ORDINANCE NO. 15-1032 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RED BANK, TENNESSEE, TO PROVIDE FOR THE GENERAL REVENUE THEREOF FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2015 – 2016 TO BE KNOWN AS THE GENERAL REVENUE ORDINANCE FOR SAID YEAR (FIRST READING)

Mayor Roberts explained that this is the revenue ordinance setting the property tax rate for fiscal year 2015 – 2016. He explained that the tax rate is \$1.35 per \$100 of assessed value and that there is not a property tax increase proposed for this year. Commissioner Causer made a motion to approve the ordinance, seconded by Vice Mayor Pierce. **Roll Call Vote: Mayor Roberts “yes”, Vice Mayor Pierce “yes”, Commissioner Causer “yes”, Commissioner LeCompte “yes”, Commissioner Pope “yes”.** Ordinance No. 15-1032 was approved on first reading with all Commissioners voting “yes”.

B. ORDINANCE NO. 15-1033 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RED BANK, TENNESSEE, MAKING AND FIXING THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS OF THE SEVERAL DEPARTMENTS OF THE CITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2015 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2016 (FIRST READING)

Mayor Roberts explained that this is an ordinance to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 operating budget. He explained that most expenditures remained the same as last year. This year’s budget includes three vehicles for the police department, an employee cost of living increase, funds to do some repairs to the swimming pool and funding to help local schools. Mayor Roberts advised that there is a Public Hearing scheduled on the proposed budget during the regularly scheduled Commission Meeting on June 16th at 7:00 p.m. where more details will be given. Commissioner Causer made a motion to approve the ordinance, seconded by Commissioner LeCompte. **Roll Call Vote: Mayor Roberts “yes”, Vice Mayor Pierce “yes”, Commissioner Causer “yes”, Commissioner LeCompte “yes”, Commissioner Pope “yes”.** Ordinance No. 15-1033 was approved on first reading with all Commissioners voting “yes”.

C. ORDINANCE NO. 15-1034 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RED BANK, TENNESSEE, TO AMEND THE FISCAL YEAR 2015 OPERATING BUDGET YEAR END APPROPRIATION OVERAGES (FIRST READING)

City Manager Smith advised that this is a year-end budget ordinance to reconcile actual fiscal year 2015 expenditures with revenues. Commissioner Causer made a motion to approve the ordinance, seconded by Commissioner Pope. **Roll Call Vote: Mayor Roberts “yes”, Vice Mayor Pierce “yes”, Commissioner Causer “yes”, Commissioner LeCompte “yes”, Commissioner Pope “yes”.** Ordinance No. 15-1034 was approved on first reading with all Commissioners voting “yes”.

D. RESOLUTION NO. 15-1053 – A RESOLUTION REPLACING RESOLUTION NO. 15-1050 AND TO AUTHORIZE AN AGREEMENT WITH GARY R. MARTIN, DBA MARTIN LAW ENFORCEMENT LLC, FOR PHLEBOTOMIST SERVICES

City Manager Smith explained that this is a contract for blood draw services on certain DUI arrests. He advised that these blood draws are performed at the Hamilton County Jail and that some of the cost of the blood draws can be recuperated through court cost. Mr. Smith requested that approval of the resolution authorize him to sign the contract upon approval by the City Attorney. Commissioner Causer made a motion to approve the resolution, including authorizing the City manager to sign the contract upon approval of the form by the City Attorney, seconded by Vice Mayor Pierce. Commissioner Causer also noted that this resolution will replace Resolution No. 15-1050 that was approved on May 19th and dealing with the same subject matter. Resolution No. 15-1053 was approved with all Commissioners voting “yes”.

XI. Citizen Comments – None

- **Daniel Shoates, 2012 Dayton Blvd.,** Does not agree with the installation of pedestrian islands on Dayton Blvd. or reducing the speed limits on Dayton Blvd.
- **Robert York, 107 Pinehurst Ave.,** He does not want the speed on Dayton Blvd. reduced. Is against pedestrian islands but in favor of a bike lane on Dayton Blvd.
- **Justin Smith, 411 Paragon Drive,** Has obtained 80 signatures from several businesses on Dayton Blvd. that are against reducing the speed limit on Dayton Blvd.
- **Susan Chavez, 1832 B Ashmore Ave.,** Does not agree with pedestrian islands. Her boyfriend drives an 18 wheeler and she believes it will make it more difficult for large trucks to maneuver if pedestrian islands are installed.

- **Monica Gates, 103 Goodson Ave.**, Does not want the speed limit reduced on Dayton Blvd. Asked if bicyclist can ride on the sidewalks instead of the street.
- **Chris Skillman, 2417 Charlotte Ave.**, Agrees with the need for bicycle lanes but not pedestrian islands or a reduction in speed limits on Dayton Blvd.

XII. Adjournment

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

MAYOR

City Recorder