

City of Red Bank

John Roberts
Mayor

Randall G. Smith
City Manager

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

Minutes

January 21, 2014

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 Floy Pierce, Commissioners Causer, Eddie Pierce and Welch were present. Also present were City Attorney Arnold Stulce, Police Chief Tim Christol, 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** –Commissioner 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. **January 7, 2014 Agenda Meeting**
 - B. **January 7, 2014 Commission Meeting**

Vice Mayor Floy Pierce made a motion to approve the minutes as printed, seconded by Commissioner Causer. The minutes were approved with all Commissioners voting “yes”.
- VI. **City Manager’s Report**
 - Mr. Smith advised that he had handed out a monthly report to the Commission at the Agenda Work Session.
- VII. **Communication from the Mayor**
 - Welcomed everyone.
 - Mohawk Canoes will be relocating to Red Bank.
 - Haskew building was recently purchased; he will be meeting with the new owners about suitable businesses for the area.
 - Thanked the Chamber for allowing him to speak at the Chamber Lunch today.
- VIII. **Commissioner’s Report**
 - A. **Vice-Mayor Floy Pierce**
 - Welcomed everyone.
 - Is pleased with the direction the city is going in.
 - B. **Commissioner Rick Causer**
 - Welcomed all.
 - Advised that this is the one year anniversary of the traffic camera removal.
 - C. **Commissioner Eddie Pierce**
 - Welcomed everyone.
 - Enjoyed the Chamber Lunch, large turnout and positive comments from area businesses.
 - D. **Commissioner Welch – No Report**

PUBLIC HEARING

The purpose of the Public Hearing was to receive input in regard to a rezoning request for 238 Peace Street from R-1A to R-2. It was explained that this property had reverted back to the R-1A zone due to the fact that the power had been off in the downstairs unit for longer than 100 days. The Commission duly considered the recommendations from the Regional Planning Agency staff and the Red Bank Planning Commission.

Mayor Roberts called the owner of the residence, William Reeve, forward. Mr. Reeves was accompanied by his daughter, Janet Hosemann, who resides in the residence. Mr. Reeve asked that the property be grandfathered in as an R-2 property because it was originally constructed as a duplex before the zoning regulations were for the City were implemented. Ms. Hosemann stated that due to circumstances surrounding the illness of her mother the power on the downstairs unit had been off for an extended period of time because they were not able to keep the unit in up. She explained that they were not aware of the 100 day rule. She explained that the downstairs unit had been renovated and that they plan to rent the unit out for additional income and then eventually she would move into the downstairs unit and rent the upstairs unit. City Attorney Stulce advised that reinstating an expired exception is not a discretionary option available to the Commission and that the only thing the Commission can do on this matter it to approve or deny the pending re-zoning request. Upon inquiry by Mayor Roberts, no one in the audience opposed the re-zoning request. There being no further discussion the Public Hearing was closed.

IX. Unfinished Business - None

X. New Business –

A. AGENDA ITEM 14-801 – FISCAL YEAR 2013 AUDIT REPORT

Brian Wright with the auditing firm of Johnson, Murphy and Wright presented the Fiscal Year 2013 financial audit report. Mr. Wright advised that the City is fiscally sound and has a healthy fund balance of \$5,578,224.

B. ORDINANCE NO. 14-999 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RED BANK, TENNESSEE, AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE AND MAPS OF THIS CITY TO REZONE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 238 PEACE STREET TO R-2 RESIDENTIAL ZONE

This item was discussed in the Public Hearing earlier in the meeting. Vice Mayor Floy Pierce made a motion to approve the ordinance, seconded by Commissioner Causer. **Roll Call Vote: Mayor Roberts “no”, Vice Mayor Floy Pierce “yes”, Commissioner Causer “yes”, Commissioner Eddie Pierce “yes”, Commissioner Welch “yes”.** Ordinance No. 14-999 was approved on first reading by a 4 to 1 vote with Mayor Roberts voting “no”.

C. RESOLUTION NO. 14-950 – A RESOLUTION TO RENUMBER DUPLICATED RESOLUTION NUMBERS 13-945 AND 13-946

City Manager Smith explained that this is a resolution to renumber resolution numbers 13-945 and 13-946 which were duplicated in error. Commissioner Eddie Pierce made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Commissioner Welch. Resolution No. 14-950 was approved with all Commissioners voting “yes”.

D. RESOLUTION NO. 14-951 – A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE FY 2014 OPERATING BUDGET

Finance Director Alexander explained that this is a resolution to amend three funds (General, Drug and Impound) for the recently approved purchase of two Volkswagen Passats for the Police Department. He advised this amendment will also cover the cost of decaling and emergency equipment for the Volkswagen Passats. Commissioner Causer made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Commissioner Eddie Pierce. Resolution No. 14-951 was approved with all Commissioners voting “yes”.

E. RESOLUTION NO. 14-952 – A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF RED BANK TO PARTICIPATE IN THE 2014 CLEAN ENERGY TENNESSEE GRANT PROGRAM

City Manager Smith explained that this is a resolution authorizing the City to apply for the 2014 Clean Energy Tennessee grant. He explained that the City plans to upgrade Fire Hall #1 and the Police Department so that they are more energy efficient. Commissioner Welch made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Commissioner Causer. Resolution No. 14-952 was approved with all Commissioners voting “yes”.

F. RESOLUTION NO. 14-953 – A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A MASTER AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF RED BANK AND THOMPSON ENGINEERING INC. FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES

City Manager Smith explained that this is an agreement that will allow the City to utilize Thompson Engineering on a case by case basis. He advised that it will not prevent the City from using other engineering firms if the need arises. Commissioner Causer made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Commissioner Welch. Resolution No. 14-953 was approved with all Commissioners voting “yes”.

G. RESOLUTION NO. 14-954 – A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT THE 2013 HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT AND TO AMEND THE FY 2014 OPERATING BUDGET TO APPROPRIATE FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$55,000 FOR THE FIRE AND POLICE DEPARTMENT

City Manager Smith advised that the City recently received a grant from the Department of Homeland Security to purchase radios for the fire and police department and that this is a resolution to accept the grant funds and to amend the FY 2014 budget in the amount of \$55,000.00 to appropriate the grant funds. He explained that this is a 100% grant and does not require a local City match. Vice Mayor Floy Pierce made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Commissioner Causer. Resolution No. 14-954 was approved with all Commissioners voting “yes”.

H. RESOLUTION NO. 14-955 – A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF PORTABLE RADIOS FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

This is a resolution to approve the purchase of radios for the fire department. The total cost of the radios is \$49,982.50 and will be purchased from Motorola Inc. The radios will be paid for using the Department of Homeland Security grant. Commissioner Causer made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Vice Mayor Floy Pierce. Resolution No. 14-955 was approved with all Commissioners voting “yes”.

I. RESOLUTION NO. 14-956 – A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR BIG FROG LLC, 2124 DAYTON BOULEVARD

Commissioner Welch made a motion to approve the resolution as printed, seconded by Commissioner Eddie Pierce. Resolution No. 14-956 was approved with all Commissioners voting “yes”.

J. RESOLUTION NO. 14-957 – A RESOLUTION TO DECLARE A MORATORIUM UPON THE ISSUANCE OF PERMITS FOR THE PLANNING AND CONSTRUCTION OF MULTI-FAMILY HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS PENDING A REVIEW AND STUDY OF APPLICABLE REGULATORY ORDINANCES AND THE RED BANK ZONING ORDINANCE

City attorney Stulce recommended amending Section (1) of the resolution to add the wording “Excepting in matters currently pending” at the beginning of the sentence. Motion to accept the recommend wording amendment and to approve the resolution as amended was made by Commissioner Eddie Pierce and seconded by Commissioner Causer. Resolution No. 14-957, as amended, was approved with all Commissioners voting “yes”.

XI. Citizen’s Comments – None

XII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 P.M.

MAYOR

City Recorder