

**OAK RIDGE CITY COUNCIL
WORK SESSION MINUTES**

August 26, 2013

The work session of the Oak Ridge City Council convened at 7:00 p.m. on August 26, 2013 in the Multipurpose Room of the Central Services Complex.

Present: Trina Baughn, Councilmember
Tom Beehan, Mayor
Anne Garcia Garland, Councilmember
Charlie Hensley, Councilmember
Chuck Hope, Councilmember
Jane Miller, Mayor Pro Tem
David Mosby, Councilmember

Also Present: Mark Watson, City Manager
Ken Krushenski, City Attorney
Diana Stanley, City Clerk

OVERVIEW OF REQUEST TO ANDERSON COUNTY FOR COOPERATIVE USE OF COUNTY LAND AT THE DANIEL ARTHUR COMPLEX FOR LOCATION OF STORM WATER EQUALIZATION BASIN.

Public Works Director Gary Cinder gave an in-depth presentation regarding the proposed locations of the new equalization basins while responding to questions and comments of City Council.

Lamar Dunn with Lamar Dunn and Associates, LLC also provided some information regarding site locations and build details of the basin.

City Council discussed the Emory Valley location at great length, while stressing alternatives for other basin placements, basin parcel relocation at Emory Valley, camouflage options, as well as design alternatives pertaining to height and depth for the other locations presented.

(The meeting was temporarily recessed so that the City Council could adjourn into their special-called meeting. The Work Session reconvened at 9:00 p.m.)

PRESENTATION OF UTILITY RATE REVIEW BY CHRIS MITCHELL, MANAGEMENT CONSULTANTS, LLC.

Chris Mitchell of Chris Mitchell Management Consultants (CMMC) provided a brief overview of the proposed waste water, water, and electric rate increases that the City would be implementing in the near future, as well as responded to questions of the City Council.

Electric Department Director Jack Suggs responded to inquires of Councilmember Baughn regarding the intent of the electric rate increase which was explained that it was to offset the Tennessee Valley Authority increase, as well as to help with other utility operations.

OVERVIEW ON PURCHASING AND FINANCING OF THREE (3) REPLACEMENT FIRE ENGINES

Oak Ridge Fire Chief Darryl Kerley gave a brief presentation of the new differences and equipment additions which were included in the bid estimates of the three (3) fire trucks. The Fire Chief stressed the importance of equipment and maintenance continuity with purchasing three (3) fire trucks simultaneously.

Additionally, the Fire Chief reviewed the department's usage and contributions to the City's Equipment Replacement Fund and explained that city staff had reviewed several financing options for this persual.

The meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.


Diana R. Stanley, City Clerk

APPROVED BY CITY COUNCIL
September 9, 2013


Thomas L. Beehan, Mayor