

Minutes of the Special Called Work Session of the
Board of Mayor and Aldermen, City of Kingsport, Tennessee
Monday, May 12, 2014, 4:30 PM
Council Room – City Hall

PRESENT: Board of Mayor and Aldermen

Mayor Dennis Phillips
Alderman John Clark
Alderman Colette George

Vice-Mayor Mike McIntire
Alderman Tom C. Parham
Alderman Tom Segelhorst


City Administration

John G. Campbell, City Manager
J. Michael Billingsley, City Attorney
James H. Demming, City Recorder

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** 4:35 p.m. by Mayor Phillips.
2. **ROLL CALL:** By Deputy City Recorder Marshall. Absent: Alderman Jantry Shupe.
3. **SCHOOL PRESENTATION.** School Superintendent Dr. Lyle Ailshie and Finance Director David Frye presented the proposed budget for the school system. Board of Education President Carrie Upshaw and past-president Randall Montgomery were also present to answer questions from the board. Discussion ensued. Alderman Segelhorst asked if the BOE would endorse a property tax increase to fund the increase request in the budget. Ms. Upshaw stated she was not certain what the community support would be. Mayor Phillips stated that needs to be investigated, noting the BMA would need a unanimous endorsement from the BOE before moving forward with a tax increase. He also pointed out school employees were the same as police, fire and public works employees and should be treated the same in regards to employee raises.

NOTE: The meeting was recessed at 6:40 p.m. and resumed at 6:55 p.m.

4. **BUDGET OVERVIEW.** City Manager Campbell presented information on proposed budget options. He answered questions from Board members. Public Works Director Ryan McReynolds provided details on the water budget and the needs there. Discussion followed. Mayor Phillips commented it has been eight years since the last property tax increase, but believes the city will be in the same financial position at the end of next year with no light at the end of the tunnel.
5. **ADJOURN.** Seeing no other matters presented for discussion at this work session, Mayor Phillips adjourned the meeting at 9:02 p.m.


ANGELA MARSHALL
Deputy City Recorder


DENNIS R. PHILLIPS
Mayor