

Councilwoman Kochendarfer aye
Councilman Tharp aye
Councilman Wandrei aye
Mayor Shelton aye

The ordinance follows as adopted:

ORDINANCE

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Bedford, Virginia, that there be, and is hereby levied for the fiscal year 1998-99, a tax of \$.76 per one hundred dollars of assessed valuation on all taxable real estate located in the City, the respective levy hereby ordered being also applicable to the real estate and tangible personal property of public service corporations within the limitations specified by Section 58.1-2606 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, based upon the assessment thereof fixed by the State Corporation Commission and duly certified.

City Manager Gross stated that Section 58.1-3005 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, requires that Council shall annually levy a tax on tangible personal property located within the City. The City Manager indicated the ordinance has been posted in accordance with Section 2-30 of the City Code.

Councilwoman Kochendarfer moved that Council waive the reading of the proposed ordinance regarding the personal property tax rate. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Flood, voted upon and carried unanimously.

On motion by Councilman Tharp, seconded by Councilman Ballard, voted upon and carried unanimously by a roll call vote, Council adopted the ordinance establishing the personal property tax rate for Calendar Year 1998. Roll call vote follows:

Vice Mayor Brookshier aye
Councilwoman Flood aye
Councilwoman Kochendarfer aye
Councilman Tharp aye
Councilman Wandrei aye
Councilman Ballard aye

The ordinance establishing the personal property tax rate for Calendar Year 1998 follows as adopted:

ORDINANCE

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Bedford, Virginia, that there be, and is hereby levied, for the calendar year 1998, a tax of \$1.80 per one hundred dollars of one hundred per centum (100%) of assessed value on all taxable tangible personal property, including property separately classified in Section 58.1-3503 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, unless exempted from taxation or subject to a different rate under this ordinance. All tangible personal property employed in a trade or business other than that described in subdivisions 1 through 16 of Section 58.1-3503 is taxed at a levy of \$1.50 per one hundred dollars of one hundred per centum (100%) of the assessed valuation. Household goods and personal effects as classified in Section 58.1-3504 and horses, mules and other kindred animals, hogs, poultry, grains and other feeds used for the nurture of farm animals, grain and tobacco as such items are classified in Section 58.1-3505 are exempted in whole from tangible personal property taxation. The following items are taxed at a levy of \$1.30 per one hundred dollars of one hundred per centum (100%) of the assessed valuation: (a) cattle, sheep and goats, and farm machinery and farm implements as separately classified in Section 58.1-3505; and (b) machinery and tools as separately classified in Section 58.1-3507.

City Manager Gross stated that Section 58.1-3005 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, requires that Council shall, on a regular basis, make an appropriation of funds for expenditure by the City. Mr. Gross indicated that the proposed ordinance directs that the funds as set out in the budget for Fiscal Year 1998-99 be appropriated and set aside to the appropriate funds, and authorizes the City Manager to expend the funds in accordance with said budget and in accordance with prior appropriations. The City Manager reported that the ordinance has been posted in accordance with Section 2-30 of the City Code.

Vice Mayor Brookshier moved that Council waive the reading of the proposed ordinance regarding the appropriation of funds for the FY 1998-99 budget. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Kochendarfer, voted upon and carried unanimously.

On motion by Councilman Tharp, seconded by Councilman Ballard, voted upon and carried unanimously by a roll call vote, Council adopted the ordinance appropriating the funds for Fiscal Year 1998-99. Roll call vote follows:

Councilwoman Flood aye

Councilwoman Kochendarfer aye

Councilman Tharp aye

Councilman Wandrei aye

Councilman Ballard aye

Vice Mayor Brookshier aye

Mayor Shelton aye

The ordinance follows as adopted:

ORDINANCE

BE IT ORDAINED that the City Council of the City of Bedford, Virginia, hereby directs that the funds as set out in the budget for Fiscal Year 1998-99 for the City of Bedford are appropriated and set aside to the General Fund, to the Solid Waste Fund, to the Water and Sewer Fund, to the Electric Fund, and to the Contingency Fund as shown in said budget, and that the City Manager is authorized to expend the funds in the General Fund, Solid Waste Fund, Water and Sewer Fund, and Electric Fund in accordance with said budget and in accordance with prior appropriations.

On motion by Vice Mayor Brookshier, seconded by Councilman Tharp, voted upon and carried unanimously by a roll call vote, Council adjourned into executive session pursuant to Section 2.1-344(a)(1) the Code of Virginia, of 1950, regarding personnel, consideration of executive search firms. Roll call vote follows:

Councilwoman Kochendarfer aye

Councilman Tharp aye

Councilman Wandrei aye

Councilman Ballard aye

Vice Mayor Brookshier aye

Councilwoman Flood aye

Mayor Shelton aye

Council adjourned into executive session at 7:42 p.m. Non-council members attending were: City Manager Gross, City Attorney Berry, Clerk of the Council Hatcher, Council member elect Tom Messier, and Roger Scott.

Council reconvened into open session at 8:04 p.m.

The Clerk of Council read aloud the following proposed resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Bedford hereby certifies that (1) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the executive meeting to which this certification resolution applies, and (2) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the executive meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the Council.

Councilman Ballard moved that the resolution be adopted. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wandrei, voted upon and carried by the following roll call vote:

Councilman Tharp	aye
Councilman Wandrei	aye
Councilman Ballard	aye
Vice Mayor Brookshier	aye
Councilwoman Flood	aye
Councilwoman Kochendarfer	aye
Mayor Shelton	aye

On motion by Councilman Ballard, seconded by Councilwoman Flood, voted upon and carried unanimously, the following item was added to the agenda:

Consideration of Executive Search Firms

Mayor Shelton stated Council had a report from the Finance Committee requesting that Council accept the proposal and retain the services of Municipal Advisors, Inc., of Virginia Beach, Virginia, for the executive search services.

On motion by Councilwoman Kochendarfer, seconded by Councilman Ballard, voted upon and carried unanimously, Council accepted the recommendation of the Finance Committee.

Mayor Shelton adjourned the meeting at 8:07 p.m.