

An adjourned meeting of the Council of the City of Bedford, Virginia, from the April 23, 2002, regular meeting was held in the Council Hall of the Municipal Building at 7:30 p.m., April 30, 2002.

Members present: Mayor G. Michael Shelton; Councilman Larry D. Brookshier; Councilwoman Mary L. Flood; Vice Mayor E. Thomas Messier; Councilman Thomas M. Padgett; Councilman Robert T. Wandrei; and Councilman W. D. Tharp.

Members absent: None

Staff present: City Manager F. Craig Meadows; City Attorney W. W. Berry, IV; and Clerk of the Council Teresa W. Hatcher.

Mayor Shelton called the meeting to order and stated the purpose of the meeting was for the presentation of the budget for fiscal year 2002-03.

City Manager Meadows reported on the damage from the tornado that struck the City on April 28. He also reviewed the actions of various City departments, Police Department, Public Works, Electric Department, Planning & Development in responding to the emergency. Damage assessments are estimated at 1.5 million dollars. The City Manager stated that there were no injuries.

Vice Mayor Messier and the Mayor commended the City employees for their response in this emergency situation.

Mayor Shelton spoke of the tremendous team effort of the City forces, County Fire Departments, State Police, and Sheriff's Department in handling this emergency situation.

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

Resolution Confirming Declaration of Local Emergency on April 28, 2002

On motion by Councilman Wandrei, seconded by Vice Mayor Messier, voted upon and carried unanimously by a roll call vote, Council adopted the resolution regarding the local emergency. Roll call vote follows:

Councilman Brookshier	aye
Councilwoman Flood	aye
Vice Mayor Messier	aye
Councilman Padgett	aye

Councilman Tharp	aye
Councilman Wandrei	aye
Mayor Shelton	aye

The resolution follows as adopted:

## **RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Bedford suffered severe damage to public and private properties during a wind and thunderstorm that included at least one tornado on April 28, 2002; and

**WHEREAS**, the storm brought down power lines on the City of Bedford's electrical system, causing outages to customers throughout the City's system; and

**WHEREAS**, certain property and business owners had their buildings and property damaged and, in some instances, destroyed by high winds and a tornado during the storm; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Bedford suffered severe damage to its property during storm; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Bedford found it necessary to mobilize all of its resources in order to respond to the aftermath of the storm and to provide for increased safety and security measures; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor, G. Michael Shelton, found it necessary to declare a local emergency in order to deal with the situation;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the City of Bedford, Virginia, that the declaration of local emergency made by the Mayor on April 28, 2002, be and it hereby is confirmed.

City Manager Meadows presented the Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2001-2002. The City Manager reviewed highlights of the proposed budget.

City Manager Meadows reminded Council of the work session on the budget scheduled for May 10 at the Bedford Public Library. The public hearing on the budget is scheduled for May 28 at 7:30 p.m.

Mayor Shelton adjourned the meeting at 8:01 p.m. until May 10, 2002, at the Bedford Public Library Community Room at 8:30 a.m.