

Minutes 01-13-2003

A called meeting of the Council of the City of Bedford, Virginia, was held in the Council Hall of the Municipal Building at 6:35 p.m., January 13, 2003.

Members present: Councilwoman Mary L. Flood; Vice Mayor E. Thomas Messier; Councilman Thomas M. Padgett; Councilman C. G. Stanley, Jr., Councilman W. D. Tharp; and Councilman Robert T. Wandrei.

Members absent: None

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

Vice Mayor Messier called the meeting to order.

The Clerk of Council read aloud the Notice of Called Meeting which stated the purpose of the meeting as follows: Interviews for City Council Vacancy.

Councilman Tharp moved that Council adjourn into closed session pursuant to the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, Section 2.2-3711(a)(1) to discuss, consider and interview prospective candidates for appointment to the City Council to fill the remaining term of G. Michael Shelton who has resigned due to his change of residence. Councilwoman Flood seconded the motion.

Councilman Wandrei recommended holding the interviews in open session as to not exclude the public.

Councilman Wandrei made a substitute motion that this matter be continued until another date and give the public the opportunity to come in and partake; and at that point in time, if they want to give their opinions to Council as who the best candidates are, then they can do so and they can do so with the fact that they had knowledge or the opportunity to gain knowledge about the candidates and their particular views on a subject.

Councilman Wandrei's substitute motion died for lack of a second.

The motion to adjourn into closed session was then voted upon and carried by the following roll call vote:

Councilwoman Flood	aye
Vice Mayor Messier	aye
Councilman Padgett	aye
Councilman Stanley	aye
Councilman Tharp	aye
Councilman Wandrei	nay

Council adjourned into closed session at 6:40 p.m. after a 10-minute break. Non-council members attending at various times: H. Davis “Dave” Ballard; John A. Bond; Jeffrey B. Hubbard; James Jones; Linda E. Kochendarfer; Ronnie C. Rice; Tom Richardson; William H. Ross; James A. Vest; and Homer W. Woodridge, Jr.

Council reconvened into open session at 10:25 p.m.

The Clerk of Council read aloud the following 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 closed meeting to which this certification resolution applies, and (2) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the closed meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the Council.

On motion by Councilman Tharp, seconded by Councilman Padgett, voted upon and carried unanimously by a roll call vote, Council adopted the resolution. Roll call vote follows:

Councilwoman Flood	aye
Vice Mayor Messier	aye
Councilman Padgett	aye
Councilman Stanley	aye
Councilman Tharp	aye
Councilman Wandrei	aye

Vice Mayor Messier adjourned the meeting at 10:26 p.m.