

A regular meeting of the Council of the City of Bedford, Virginia, was held in the Council Hall of the Municipal Building at 7:30 p.m., May 11, 2004.

Members present: Mayor E. Thomas Messier; Councilwoman Mary L. Flood; Councilman Jeffrey B. Hubbard; Councilman Thomas M. Padgett; Councilman C. G. Stanley, Jr.; Vice Mayor 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.

Mayor Messier opened the meeting and led all present in saying the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Mayor Messier declared that the minutes of a regular Council meeting held on April 27, 2004, were approved as distributed.

City Manager Meadows reported on the following:

- May 17 - Council budget retreat – to be held at the Library Community Room
- May 22 – annual City Employee picnic – at Liberty Lake Park – 11:00 – 2:00 p.m.
- The Virginia Municipal League is seeking potential nominees for its 2004 Policy Committees.
- Thanked New Covenant Schools of Bedford for their assistance in cleaning up Reynolds Park last week.
- The new utility system is up and running.
- The purchase order has been issued for the automated meter reading system installation.
- The pay study undertaken by Radford University College students has been completed. The department heads are currently in the process of reviewing the results.

The Mayor indicated that this meeting would be adjourned until 8:30 a.m. on May 17 for a budget work session.

Vice Mayor Tharp, Chairman of the Streets Committee, reported that the committee met earlier in the evening and reviewed the asphalt overlay program for the next budget year as well as sidewalk work, and accepted the recommendation to move forward.

Mr. Warner, Director of Planning & Community Development, explained that the proposed amendment to the Land Development Regulations, Section 611, would allow schools and colleges as a conditional use in the M-1, Manufacturing District. Mr. Warner reported that the Planning Commission recommends approval of the request.

Mayor Messier opened the public hearing concerning consideration of amending the Land Development Regulations at 7:37 p.m. The Notice of Public Hearing follows:

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Notice is hereby given of a public hearing to be held by the City Planning Commission at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 6, 2004 and by the City Council at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 11, 2004 at the City Municipal Building, Council Hall, 215 East Main Street for the purpose of:

- ◆ Consideration of amending the Land Development Regulations to allow schools as a conditional use in the M-1, Manufacturing District.

Information regarding this request is on file in the office of Planning & Community Development.

Anyone who is in favor of or opposed to the request will have an opportunity to express his/her views at this hearing.

By the Authority of the Planning Commission
and City Council of the City of Bedford

As there were no comments, the Mayor closed the public hearing at 7:38 p.m.

The Consent Agenda consisted of the following item:

- Appointment of Ms. Libby Berry to the Regional Library Board, said term to expire June 30, 2008, and appointment of Mr. James Messier to the Board, said term to expire June 30, 2007.

Mayor Messier indicated that he would abstain from voting, as his son is one of the individuals being appointed.

On motion by Vice Mayor Tharp, seconded by Councilman Padgett, voted upon and carried unanimously by a roll call vote, the Consent Agenda was adopted. Roll call vote follows:

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

Council and the City School Board held a joint meeting regarding the proposed FY 2004-05 City Schools Budget.

Discussed ensued.

Dr. Blevins, Superintendent of Schools, explained the reasons for redistricting.

Mayor Messier expressed thanks to the members of the City School Board for their service to the community.

The School Board adjourned its meeting.

City Manager Meadows reported the Planning Commission recommends that Council amend Section 611 of the Bedford Land Development Regulations to allow schools as a conditional use in the M-1, Manufacturing District.

On motion by Councilman Padgett, seconded by Vice Mayor Tharp, voted upon by a roll call vote, Council adopted the Ordinance amending Section 611 of the City of Bedford Land Development Regulations. Roll call vote follows:

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

The Ordinance follows as adopted:

Ordinance No. 04-07

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 611
OF THE CITY OF BEDFORD LAND
DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
BEDFORD, VIRGINIA:**

Section 1. The Land Development Regulations of the City of Bedford, Virginia, are amended by adding the following new provisions:

Section 611 Manufacturing District, M-1

Section 611.04 Conditional uses
g. Schools and colleges.

Section 2. This ordinance is effective upon enactment

Mr. V. Lee Cobb, Executive Director, Regional 2000 Economic Development Partnership, gave an update on the Partnership's programs and activities. Mr. Cobb also requested funding in the City's FY 2004-05 budget at the \$1.00 per capita level. The 2000 Census would be used to establish the population base of each community.

Council proceeded to hold a work session on the proposed FY 2004-05 City budget.

Discussion ensued regarding various items in the proposed budget.

Mayor Messier adjourned the meeting at 8:14 p.m. until May 17, 2004, at 8:30 a.m. at the Bedford Public Library Community Room for a budget retreat.