

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., July 27, 2004.

Members present: 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: Mayor E. Thomas Messier

Staff present: Director of Planning & Community Development Bart Warner; City Attorney W. W. Berry, IV; and Clerk of the Council Teresa W. Hatcher.

Staff absent: City Manager F. Craig Meadows

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

On behalf of City Manager Meadows, Mr. Warner reported on the following:

- Friends and Family Day on the U.S.S. Normandy is July 28 and twenty citizens from Bedford, including the City Manager, will be attending.
- July 29, 12:00 noon - State of the City/County Address – National D-Day Memorial
- The City Manager will be attending the Electricities Annual Meeting in Charlotte, NC, August 5 – 7
- The City's first sales on eBay were a big success – a police car and fire truck were both sold for \$5,100 and additional vehicles will be listed in the weeks ahead.
- The City web site is currently undergoing renovation and delays may occur.

Vice Mayor Tharp declared that the minutes of a regular Council meeting held on July 13, 2004, were approved as presented.

Vice Mayor Tharp noted that Rubatex has been sold to RBX Acquisitions, LLC, and may be reopened soon.

Mr. Warner stated the City has received a copy of the Central Virginia Community Services (CVCS) FY 2005 Performance Contract. The staff has reviewed the contract and agrees that it supports the mission of CVCS in providing mental health, retardation, substance abuse, and prevention services within the City.

On motion by Councilman Padgett, seconded by Councilwoman Flood, voted upon and carried, Council approved the Central Virginia Community Services FY 2005 Performance Contract.

Mr. Warner stated Central Virginia Community Services is also requesting approval from each of its jurisdictions to borrow three hundred eighty-five thousand dollars to purchase

the Bedford Group Home, which they have occupied for the past seventeen years, from the Lynchburg Covenant Fellowship. The Board of Directors of CVCS approved this request at its June 23, 2004, meeting. In accordance with the requirements of Virginia Code, Section 37.1-197.11, the City of Bedford is being requested to authorize this purchase by adopting the proposed resolution.

On motion by Councilman Stanley, seconded by Councilman Padgett, voted upon and carried by a roll call vote, Council adopted the resolution regarding the Central Virginia Community Services Board. 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	absent

The resolution follows as adopted:

## **RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, Central Virginia Community Services Board is a governmental entity created pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 10 of Title 37.1 of the Code of Virginia, pursuant to a joint agreement between the Counties of Amherst, Appomattox, Bedford and Campbell, and the Cities of Bedford and Lynchburg, in order to provide those jurisdictions with mental health, mental retardation, and substance abuse services; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 37.1-197 (11) allows Chapter 10 Boards such as Central Virginia Community Services Board to obtain loans as authorized by the governing bodies of the political subdivisions that established it; and

**WHEREAS**, Central Virginia Community Services desires to borrow three hundred eighty-five thousand dollars (\$385,000) at a rate of 6.375% for a period of eight years from Planters Bank, 2201 Graves Mill Road, in Forest, Virginia, for the purpose of purchasing the Bedford Group Home located at 1615 Longwood Avenue, Bedford, Virginia, from Lynchburg Covenant Fellowship.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that Central Virginia Community Services Board is hereby authorized by the Bedford City Council to borrow up to three hundred eighty-five thousand dollars (\$385,000) from Planters Bank at a rate of 6.375% for a period of eight years.

Mr. Warner stated that the staff is requesting Council to consider an amendment of the City of Bedford Land Development Regulations, Section 904 (Signs). The Planning Commission recommended that Council amend Section 904 as stated in its memorandum dated July 9, 2004. Council held a public hearing concerning this request on July 13. Action was deferred at that time due to an unforeseen change to the ordinance that was necessary to make the proposed amendment. Mr. Warner indicated the change has been incorporated into the ordinance and the ordinance has been properly posted.

On motion by Councilman Padgett, seconded by Councilman Stanley, voted upon and carried, Council waived the reading of the proposed ordinance.

Mr. Warner reviewed the changes in the Land Development Regulations.

Discussion ensued.

On motion by Councilman Wandrei, seconded by Councilman Hubbard, voted upon and carried by a roll call vote, Council adopted the proposed ordinance amending the Land Development Regulations. Roll call vote follows:

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

The ordinance follows as adopted:

#### **Ordinance No. 04-14**

#### **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 904.09 OF THE CITY OF BEDFORD LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS**

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

**Section 1.** Miscellaneous provisions for freestanding signs contained in Table 904.09 of Section 904.09 of the Land Development Regulations of the City of Bedford, Virginia, is amended by replacing existing language with the following proposed language:

#### **Section 904 Signs**

Table 904.09 Sign Regulations for the B-1, B-2, CLI, and M-1 Zones.

Type	Maximum Number	Maximum Size (sq.foot)	Miscellaneous Provisions	Maximum Height (ft.)	Location/ Clearance
Freestanding (on conforming lots only)	For 1 use on 1 lot; 1, if building takes up less than 50% of total lot area	20	May include address, name, logo, and/or telephone number of tenant or building. Cannot have both a freestanding and projecting sign on the same street frontage.	Lowest of 20 or lowest point of roof	Within area landscaped with ornamental plantings. Minimum 25' separation from another freestanding sign and setback at least 7' from the street r/w.
Freestanding (on conforming lots only)	1 for a Shopping Center and/or multiple tenant development	60	May include address, name, and/or logo of tenant or building. Cannot have both a freestanding and projecting sign on the same street frontage.	30 for any permitted use which has a property line that is 80 feet or less from any limited access bypass highway; otherwise 20 or lowest point of roof	Within area landscaped with ornamental plantings. Minimum 25' separation from another freestanding sign and setback at least 7' from the street r/w.

**Section 2.** This ordinance is effective upon enactment.

Vice Mayor Tharp stated that Council had before it an agreement to share the operations of the Bedford County Animal Control Shelter. The Vice Mayor stated this would lower the amount of expenses incurred by the City in caring for animals. Bedford County would operate the shelter.

On motion by Councilman Wandrei, seconded by Councilman Padgett, voted upon and carried, Council accepted the agreement to share the County's Animal Control Shelter with the City.

Vice Mayor Tharp adjourned the meeting at 7:40 p.m.