

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., November 9, 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 October 26, 2004, were approved as distributed.

City Manager Meadows asked that the following items be added to the agenda:

- Street Closing Request – Joey Puckett
- Solid Waste Committee Report – Region 2000 Solid Waste Management Plan

The City Manager reported on the following:

- Events: Blue Ridge Power Agency conference – November 10-11; City offices will be closed on November 11 for Veteran's Day; KBBC Awards Banquet – November 11 at 6:00 p.m. at Bedford Baptist Church; Welcome Center opening reception – November 18 at 5:30 p.m.; interviews – solid waste transfer station – November 18; Independence Boulevard master plan meeting – November 30 in the Council Chambers at 6:30 p.m., follow-up meeting on December 7; Statements of Economic Interest due in the City Manager's Office by December 15; Virginia Municipal League Legislative Day – February 3, 2005, in Richmond

Councilman Wandrei, Chairman of the Solid Waste Committee, reported that the Committee met earlier in the evening concerning a request to appropriate \$4,000 for funding of the next phase of the Region 2000 Solid Waste Management Plan. The Committee recommended approving the request to appropriate the funds to proceed with the study.

Mayor Messier added the following items to the agenda: Street Closing Request – Joey Puckett and Solid Waste Committee Report – Region 2000 Solid Waste Management Plan.

The City Manager stated the Consent Agenda consisted of the following items: Appointment of Dr. Ronald L. Plamondon to the Industrial Development Authority, said term to expire November 30 2008; and appointment of Dr. Plamondon to the Central

Virginia Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council, said term to expire September 30, 2007.

City Manager Meadows stated a presentation was made to the Solid Waste Committee earlier in the evening to participate in the next phase of the Region 2000 Solid Waste Management Plan. The City has been asked to appropriate \$4,000 for the funding of the next phase of the study. The Committee recommended proceeding to the next phase of the study. The City Manager stated it is recommended that the \$4,000 be appropriated from the General Fund unappropriated contingency to the Solid Waste Fund.

On motion by Councilman Stanley, seconded by Councilwoman Flood, voted upon and carried unanimously by a roll call vote, Council appropriated \$4,000 for the next phase of the Region 2000 Solid Waste Management Plan from the General Fund unappropriated contingency to the Solid Waste Fund. 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	aye

City Manager Meadows reported the City has received a Department of Motor Vehicles Strike Force mini-grant for \$3,000. The grant must be used for overtime expenses related to selective traffic enforcement and is usually expended during region wide safety campaigns over the holidays. The City Manager stated there is an in-kind match of 25% and as in the past, vehicle, supervisor and equipment expenses can be applied toward the in-kind match.

On motion by Councilman Padgett, seconded by Councilman Stanley, voted upon and carried unanimously by a roll call vote, Council appropriated \$3,000 in General Fund revenues to show receipt of the Department of Motor Vehicles Strike Force mini-grant and \$3,000 for traffic enforcement in the Police Department budget of the General Fund. 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	aye

City Manager Meadows stated Council had copies of a letter from Mr. Joey Puckett requesting that Depot Street from its intersection with North Bridge Street to Market Square be closed for up to four consecutive days. Mr. Puckett is going to repair and rehabilitate the wall of the Blue Bird Antique Shop Building on the corner of North

Bridge Street and Depot Street. Mr. Meadows stated the request was not date specific, however Mr. Puckett indicated that it would take four days for this project.

A brief discussion ensued regarding safety issues with this project, the need to close the street, and limiting the closure to no more than four days.

Vice Mayor Tharp moved that Council grant permission for Depot Street to be closed from North Bridge Street to Market Street for four consecutive days at a date to be submitted by Mr. Puckett. Councilman Padgett seconded the motion.

Further discussion ensued regarding notifying the community, businesses, and Bedford Main Street that Depot Street will be closed.

The motion was then voted upon and carried unanimously.

Mayor Messier adjourned the meeting at 7:42 p.m.