

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., March 27, 2007.

Members present: Mayor W. D. Tharp; Councilwoman Mary L. Flood; Councilman Jeffrey B. Hubbard; Councilman Thomas M. Padgett; Councilman C. G. Stanley, Jr.; Vice Mayor Robert T. Wandrei; and Councilman James A. Vest.

Members absent: None

Staff present: City Manager Charles P. Kolakowski; City Attorney W. W. Berry, IV; and Clerk of the Council Teresa W. Hatcher.

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

Mayor Tharp declared that the minutes of a regular Council meeting held on March 13, 2007, were approved as distributed.

City Manager Kolakowski spoke regarding the following:

- Saturday, March 31 – Easter Eggstravaganza
- April 21 - Keep Bedford Beautiful annual Cleanup Day – 9:00 a.m.
- March 30, 31, April 1 – the Liberty High School theater group will be putting on a production of *Li'l Abner* and his son, Michael, will be playing "Li'l Abner."

Mayor Tharp stated that he and Councilman Vest attended a function at the Bedford City/County Museum honoring the accomplishments and service of the late Bobby Pollard, a member of the Bedford County Board of Supervisors.

Councilman Stanley, Chairman of the Solid Waste Committee, stated the Committee met earlier in the evening with a representative from the Region 2000 Services Authority.

Councilman Vest, Chairman of the Finance Committee, stated the committee met earlier in the evening regarding: enforcing the Code as written for billing purposes; being on track with the proposed budget with expenditures and revenue; and future electric purchases.

The Mayor stated that the following will be added as the last item on the agenda:

- Closed session pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(a)(5), of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, to discuss potential industry locating to the City.

The City Manager stated that the only item on the Consent Agenda was appointment of a member to the Central Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program Policy Board. Chief of Police Jim Day has expressed an interest in serving on this Board.

On motion by Councilman Stanley, seconded by Councilman Padgett, voted upon and carried unanimously, the Consent Agenda was adopted.

The following individuals gave presentations regarding FY 2007-08 budget requests for their organizations:

- Bedford American Red Cross – Victoria Johnson, Executive Director - \$17,500
- Bedford Area Chamber of Commerce – Susan Martin, President - \$10,000
- Bedford Area YMCA – Mike Rieley and David Herrick, Board members - \$9,600
- Bedford City/County Museum – Doug Cooper, Manager - \$30,000
- Bedford Habitat for Humanity, Inc. – Bob Cornell, President - \$3,500
- Bedford Lifesaving and First Aid Crew – Shannon Zimmerman, Captain, \$40,000
- Bedford Ride – Ira Doom, Administrator - \$15,000
- National D-Day Memorial Foundation – Dr. William McIntosh - \$20,000

During the presentations, Councilman Vest and Vice Mayor Wandrei noted that several organizations did not provide the financial information requested by the City Manager's office. Representatives of those organizations stated they would provide the requested information.

City Manager Kolakowski stated the City purchased property adjacent to the closed City landfill from Michael G. Schrock on November 7, 2006. The closing cost for this property, located at 1477 Draper Road, was \$728,203. The City Manager reported the funds for this purchase need to be appropriated as an additional transfer from the General Fund to the Solid Waste Fund.

On motion by Councilman Padgett, seconded by Councilman Stanley, voted upon and carried by a roll call vote, Council appropriated \$728,203 to expenditure account 17964240 582904 (Purchase of Property) and revenue account 170091 451111 (Transfer in – General Fund). Roll call vote follows:

Councilwoman Flood	aye
Councilman Hubbard	aye
Councilman Padgett	aye
Councilman Stanley	aye
Councilman Vest	aye
Vice Mayor Wandrei	aye
Mayor Tharp	aye

The City Manager stated that the City has received a Virginia Department of Health mini-grant for \$1,000. The grant must be used for reimbursement of expenses incurred during National Child Passenger Safety Week and any equipment needed to outfit and operate as a permanent fit station for Child Passenger safety seat installations.

On motion by Councilman Stanley, seconded by Councilman Padgett, voted upon and carried by a roll call vote, Council appropriated the \$1,000 grant funds to Revenue

Account 100033.424199 and to Expenditure Account 10033110.557235. Roll call vote follows:

Councilman Hubbard	aye
Councilman Padgett	aye
Councilman Stanley	aye
Councilman Vest	aye
Vice Mayor Wandrei	aye
Councilwoman Flood	aye
Mayor Tharp	aye

Councilman Hubbard moved that Council adjourn into closed session pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(a)(5), of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, to discuss potential industry locating to the City. Councilman Stanley seconded the motion. The motion was voted upon and carried by the following roll call vote:

Councilman Padgett	aye
Councilman Stanley	aye
Councilman Vest	aye
Vice Mayor Wandrei	aye
Councilwoman Flood	aye
Councilman Hubbard	aye
Mayor Tharp	aye

Council adjourned into closed session at 8:34 p.m. The following non-council members attended: City Manager Kolakowski, City Attorney Berry, Assistant City Manager Warner, Chief of Police Day, and Elizabeth Berry-Mosley, Assistant Director of Planning and Community Development.

Council reconvened into open session at 8:47 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 Vice Mayor Wandrei, seconded by Councilman Hubbard, voted upon and carried by a roll call vote, Council adopted the resolution. Roll call vote follows:

Councilman Stanley	aye
Councilman Vest	aye

Vice Mayor Wandrei	aye
Councilwoman Flood	aye
Councilman Hubbard	aye
Councilman Padgett	aye
Mayor Tharp	aye

Councilman Vest noted that the budget requests from outside agencies are \$103,037 more than in the 2006-07 fiscal year.

Mayor Tharp adjourned the meeting at 8:48 p.m.