

October 11, 2011

A regular meeting of the Council of the City of Bedford, Virginia, was held in the Council Hall of the Municipal Building at 7:00 p.m., October 11, 2011.

Members present: Councilman Guy E. Murray, Jr.; Councilman Steve C. Rush; Councilman C. G. Stanley, Jr.; Councilman James A. Vest; and Vice Mayor Robert T. Wandrei (arrived at 7:07 p.m.)

Members absent: Mayor W. D. Tharp and Councilwoman Mary L. Flood

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

Councilman Stanley opened the meeting and led all present in saying the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

City Council approved the minutes of a regular Council meeting held on September 27, 2011, as distributed.

City Manager Kolakowski reported on the following:

- The work on the Stoney Creek Dam rehabilitation project is on schedule and on budget - asked Council members to schedule a tour of the project if they so desire.
- Trees at the Wharton Garden have been removed with minimal impact on the Garden.

The City Manager suggested that Council hold a retreat in early December to discuss next year's budget and future budgets and the operation of the town after conversion from a city.

Vice Mayor Wandrei arrived at 7:07 p.m.

There was a brief discussion of when and where to hold the retreat. A decision will be made at the next regular Council meeting.

The Consent Agenda consisted of the following items:

- Request to Close Streets for Bedford Christmas Parade – Bedford Main Street, Inc.

Bedford Main Street, Inc. is sponsoring the 2011 Bedford Christmas Parade on Saturday, December 3, 2011, at 12:00 p.m., (rain date December 4th at 2:00 p.m.) and is requesting that Council authorize the closing of the following streets for the holiday event:

From 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Bedford Avenue Extension from 4th Street to the curve of the Recreation Field, Ashland Avenue from the curve of the Recreation Field to the Elks Home Driveway, College Street from Ashland Avenue to Peaks Street, and Mountain Avenue in its entirety.

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From approximately 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m., Peaks Street from College Street to North Bridge Street, North Bridge Street from Peaks Street to East Main Street, East Main Street from North Bridge Street to South Street, South Street from East Main Street to Washington Street, Washington Street from South Street to Center Street, Center Street in its entirety, West Main Street from Center Street to 4th Street, 4th Street from West Main Street to Macon Street, Macon Street from 4th Street to Summit Street, and Summit Street from Macon Street to the first entrance to the Winn Dixie Parking Lot.

- Request to Block Streets for YMCA's Annual Peaks of Otter Christmas Classic Foot Race - Bedford Area YMCA

The Bedford Area YMCA is requesting permission to hold the 32nd YMCA's Annual Peaks of Otter Christmas Classic Foot Race on Saturday, December 3, 2011, and to block the following streets from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.:

Peaks Street, Whitfield Drive, Oakwood Street, Longwood Avenue, Hampton Ridge Avenue and Elm Street

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

Vice Mayor Wandrei adjourned the meeting at 7:13 p.m.