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A regular meeting of the Council of the Town of Bedford, Virginia, was held in the Council Hall of the Municipal Building at 7:00 p.m., August 13, 2013.

Members present: Mayor Robert T Wandrei; Councilman Robert D. Carson; Councilman Stacey L. Hailey; Councilman Steve C. Rush; Councilman C. G. Stanley, Jr.; Councilman W. D. Tharp; and Vice Mayor James A. Vest

Members absent: None

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

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

Mayor Wandrei declared that the minutes of a regular Council meeting held on July 23, 2013, were approved as distributed.

Town Manager Kolakowski reported on the following:

- asked that everyone keep Chief of Police Day and his family in their thoughts and prayers as his mother passed away earlier in the day
- for information purposes only, members of Council were given copies of a compilation of hunting ordinances – this deals with County property being brought into the Town and people still wanting to hunt – he suggested that this be discussed at the next Council meeting in order to get feedback from Council members as to a number of the issues that are involved with allowing hunting, even on the outskirts of Town
- members of Council had been given copies of a proposed agreement for a public sculpture – this is the Town's first small step into public art
- Virginia Furniture Market, a new business in Town, will probably be opening within the next week to ten days
- A Finance Committee meeting will be scheduled prior to the next Council meeting to discuss a number of issues – a copy of last year's Financial Analysis was distributed to Council members.

The Mayor asked if there is a need to have a public hearing on the hunting issue. Mayor Wandrei said he had received a lot of comments regarding this issue.

Town Attorney Berry said he drafted the document regarding hunting for the purpose of stimulating some thought and discussion.

Mayor Wandrei suggested that a citizen's committee be formed to determine what art should be put in the Town. The Mayor asked members of Council to be thinking about who could serve on such a committee.

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It was the consensus of Council to change the time of Council meetings from 7:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. beginning in September 2013 and ending in December 2013 to accommodate the Mayor taking a class in Lynchburg.

The Town Attorney will prepare the appropriate notice to take such action.

Councilman Tharp stated that the Solid Waste Committee met earlier in the evening in closed session.

Councilman Tharp stated there was a great article in the Bedford newspaper about Chris Markham and his business in the old Winn-Dixie building. Mr. Tharp stated that Mr. Markham said the staff helped greatly with getting his business in operation quickly.

On motion by Councilman Hailey, seconded by Councilman Stanley, voted upon and carried by a roll call vote, Council reappointed Chief Jim Day to the Central Virginia Alcohol Safety Action Program Policy Board for a three-year term, said term to expire August 31, 2016. Roll call vote follows:

Councilman Carson	aye
Councilman Hailey	aye
Councilman Rush	aye
Councilman Stanley	aye
Councilman Tharp	aye
Vice Mayor Vest	aye
Mayor Wandrei	aye

Town Manager Kolakowski stated that in VDOT's 90% Plan Review Comments of UPC 91579, dated May 29, 2013, it is stated that VDOT will incorporate several of the Town's construction responsibilities for UPC 91579 (Ole Turnpike Drive relocation) within VDOT's Project UPC 67529 (U. S. 460, Blue Ridge Ave. improvements). Mr. Kolakowski said that certain construction items that are currently part of the Town's Project UPC 91579, are to be constructed by VDOT as part of UPC 67529, such as closing and demolition of two (2) cross-overs, the construction of a new cross-over with turn lanes, the removal of an overhead sign and installation of two (2) ground mounted signs, and a new westbound turn lane to access the relocated Ole Turnpike Drive

The Town Manager stated that Council needed to request reallocation of funds in specific accounts to the established budget for the specific project number referencing this activity. Council should request that UPC 67529 be designated as a Revenue Sharing project and that VDOT be and hereby is requested to transfer the amount of \$502,400 in previously allocated Revenue Sharing Funds from UPC 91579 to UPC 67529. The Town Manager said that Council was requested to adopt the proposed resolution requesting VDOT to designate UPC 67529 as a Revenue Sharing project and that VDOT be and hereby is requested to transfer the amount of \$502,400 in previously allocated Revenue Sharing Funds from UPC 91579 to UPC 67529.

Councilman Tharp moved that Council adopt the proposed resolution requesting VDOT to designate UPC 67529 as a Revenue Sharing project and that VDOT be and hereby is

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requested to transfer the amount of \$502,400 in previously allocated Revenue Sharing Funds from UPC 91579 to UPC 67529. The motion was voted upon by Councilman Hailey.

City Manager Kolakowski explained the project.

The motion was then voted upon and carried unanimously by the following roll call vote:

Councilman Hailey	aye
Councilman Rush	aye
Councilman Stanley	aye
Councilman Tharp	aye
Vice Mayor Vest	aye
Councilman Carson	aye
Mayor Wandrei	aye

The resolution follows as adopted:

**RESOLUTION**

**A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE VIRGINIA  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO TRANSFER  
REVENUE SHARING FUNDS FROM THE TOWN  
OF BEDFORD PROJECT UPC 91579 (OLE TURNPIKE DRIVE)  
TO STATE PROJECT UPC 67529 (U.S. ROUTE 460)  
TO COVER THE TOWN'S PORTION OF THE IMPROVEMENTS  
TO BLUE RIDGE AVENUE (U. S. ROUTE 460)**

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Bedford is currently completing the design and right-of-way acquisition of UPC 91579, Ole Turnpike Drive relocation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Virginia Department of Transportation is currently completing design and right-of-way acquisition of UPC 67529, U.S. Route 460 (Blue Ridge Avenue) improvements; and

**WHEREAS**, certain construction items, that currently lie within the limits of the Town's Project UPC 91579, are to be constructed by VDOT as part of UPC 67529, such as closing and demolition of two (2) cross-overs, the construction of a new cross-over with turn lanes, the removal of an overhead sign and installation of two (2) ground mounted signs, and a new westbound turn lane to access the relocated Ole Turnpike Drive; and

**WHEREAS**, it is estimated that these construction items, that will be constructed as part of the State Project UPC 67529 and paid for by a

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portion of the Town's Revenue Sharing funds allocated to UPC 91579, will cost approximately \$502,400; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Bedford project UPC 91579 is funded by \$1,000,000 in Revenue Sharing Funds provided by the state and \$1,000,001 provided by the Town of Bedford; and

**WHEREAS**, the Council desires to apply \$502,400 of the funds allocated to UPC 91579 towards the Town of Bedford's portion of the road improvements on U.S. Route 460 (Blue Ridge Avenue); and

**WHEREAS**, the Council resolution must be forwarded to the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) requesting these funds be transferred to a different project; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Town of Bedford's Town Council on this 13<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2013, that UPC 67529 be designated as a Revenue Sharing project and that VDOT be and hereby is requested to transfer the amount of \$502,400 in previously allocated Revenue Sharing Funds from UPC 91579 to UPC 67529; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Town Manager is authorized to sign all documents necessary for the Town of Bedford to administer this project; and

**BE IT STILL FURTHER RESOLVED** that the VDOT District Administrator receives a certified copy of this resolution.

Mayor Wandrei adjourned the meeting at 7:20 p.m.