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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., October 28, 2014.

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

Members absent: Councilman Steve C. Rush

Staff present: Assistant Town Manager Barrett Warner; Town Attorney W. W. Berry, IV; and Deputy Clerk of the Council Debra Anderson

Staff absent: Town Manager Charles P. Kolakowski 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 October 14, 2014, and the minutes of the October 20, 2014, adjourned Council meeting were approved as distributed.

Assistant Town Manager Warner reported on the following:

- The Town Manager is attending the American Municipal Power Conference in Columbus, Ohio
- The Domestic Violence Shelter sponsored two very successful events recently: Purple Gala and a Vigil
- Tuesday, November 4 is Election Day and Town offices will be open. Tuesday, November 11 is Veterans Day, which is a Town Holiday and offices will be closed.

The Mayor added an item to the agenda: Discussion of holding the next Council meeting on November 11, which is a Town Holiday.

Vice Mayor Vest stated that he would not be at Council meeting on November 11.

Vice Mayor Vest, Chairman of the Finance Committee, reported that the Committee met on Thursday, October 23, and reviewed the General Fund, Solid Waste and Electric Funds. The Vice Mayor said that under the Town's new tax format, there will not be much income until early December when the real estate taxes are due, which should help the General Fund cash flow. The Town staff is preparing a report for Council concerning both the Solid Waste and Electric Funds.

Councilman Tharp reported that the Solid Waste Committee met and discussed whether or not to return to the curb side pick up of recyclables. He said a qualifying bid has been received and the Committee is reviewing the bid as it compares to the Town continuing to pick up recyclables. Councilman Tharp stated that members of Council had been given

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information regarding the recycling. He recommended that Council members review the information and take action on recycling at the next meeting.

Mayor Wandrei recognized retired Chief of Police James Day and presented him with a gift and Certificate of Retirement.

The first item on the Consent Agenda follows: Bedford Main Street, Inc. is sponsoring the 2014 Bedford Christmas Parade on Saturday, December 6, 2014, at 4:00 p.m., (rain/snow date Sunday, December 7th at 4:00 p.m.) and is requesting that Council authorize the closing of the following streets for the holiday event:

From 12:30 p.m. to 6:00 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.

From approximately 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 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.

Bedford Main Street will notify the Fire Department, Rescue Squad and Police Department of the street closings. Suitable public service announcements regarding these closings will be placed on the radio and in the newspaper. The residents of the affected streets will also be notified and will have ingress and egress to their homes.

Councilman Tharp moved that Council approved the request to close the above streets for the Bedford Christmas Parade on Saturday, December 6, 2014, at 4:00 p.m. (rain/snow date Sunday, December 7th at 4:00 p.m.). The motion was seconded by Councilman Hailey.

Vice Mayor Vest questioned the closing of Bedford Avenue Extension from 12:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Mr. Warner said that is a staging area near the County ball field that they usually use. He asked that Council note that Bedford Avenue Extension will be closed beginning at 12:30 p.m. for staging.

The Mayor stated that the motion will stand except for the fact that there will be a closure of Bedford Avenue Extension from 12:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. for staging.

The motion was then voted upon carried.

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Mr. Warner explained the second item on the Consent Agenda: The Bedford Area Family YMCA is requesting permission to hold the 35th YMCA's Annual Peaks Otter Christmas Classic foot race on Saturday, December 6, 2014, 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

Mr. Warner said that Council was requested to approve the closing of the above streets for the 35th YMCA's Annual Peaks Otter Christmas Classic foot race from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on December 6, 2014.

On motion by Councilman Hailey, seconded by Councilman Carson, voted upon and carried, Council approved the closing of the above streets for the 35th YMCA's Annual Peaks Otter Christmas Classic foot race from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on December 6, 2014.

A brief discussion ensued regarding whether or not to hold the November 11 Council meeting as that day is a holiday.

Vice Mayor Vest moved that the November 11, 2014, Council meeting be canceled. Councilman Hailey seconded the motion, which was then voted upon and carried by the following roll call vote:

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

Mayor Wandrei adjourned the meeting at 7:14 p.m.