



**WORK SESSION MEETING**  
**MINUTES**

**BEDFORD CITY COUNCIL**  
**STATE OF OHIO**  
**COUNTY OF CUYAHOGA**  
**165 CENTER ROAD BEDFORD, OH 44146**

**DATE: MARCH 18, 2024**  
**TIME: 5:00 PM**

Bedford City Council met in a Work Session at Bedford City Hall on Monday, March 18, 2024, at 5:00 p.m.

Present: Council Members: Sandy Spinks, Steve Salvi, Victor Fluharty, Frank Smith, Jeff Asbury, and Tony Longino. Absent: Stanley Koci.

Also present: Clerk of Council Tracy Simons. Administration: City Manager Michael Mallis, Law Director John Montello, Finance Director Jennifer Howland.

• **DISCUSSION OF AGENDA**

Vice-Mayor Spinks stated that the Minutes for March 4, 2024, will be approved at the April 1, 2024 Council Meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Motion to appoint Christopher Bulanda to the Civil Service Commission.

Ordinance No. 012-24: Agreement with Thundershine: City Manager Mallis stated that it is a portion of the property next to the mural of the Underground Railroad and that the purchase price is \$25,000.00. He also stated that the City will cover the fees for the lot split and that the purchase price and work for GPD Group will be reimbursed through the County CDSG grant.

Ordinance No. 013-24: iamGIS Group Agreement: City Manager Mallis stated that this is the renewal contract for the GIS software that was started in the Water Department and has now spread to the Waste Water Department and Service Departments. He stated that the City owns all of the data.

Ordinance No. 014-24: Contract with Ganley Chevrolet: City Manager Mallis stated that the City received a grant for \$150,000.00 to purchase two police cruisers. He stated that the Lally quote would also require the outfitting to be performed through Lally, something the city could save on by contracting through a separate company. This is being reimbursed at 100% through a CDBG grant, and that the City doesn't have to pay for the vehicles until they are here.

Ordinance No. 015-24: Amending Section 133.23: City Manager Mallis stated that we discussed this in the last couple of weeks regarding changing the rebate from \$50.00 to \$75.00.

Ordinance No. 016-24: Contract with GPD: City Manager Mallis stated that in the last couple of years the EPA has required the City to submit a NFA Study as part of the recent permit renewal. He also stated that the report outlines a couple of options, one is to replace every sewer line, not feasible, second is to require every resident to replace their lateral line, not feasible, and another option is to switch to Region District. All of these would have a substantial financial impact to the residents and businesses. He also stated that doing a Financial Capability Assessment is more detailed and imperative to go along with the NFA Study.

Ordinance No. 017-24: Amending Chapter 1103: City Manager Mallis stated that he and Mr. Callahan looked at the fees for the Municipal Pool and suggested establishing language similar to those outlined for programs at the Community Center. He stated that there are no plans to raise the rates for the pool this season.

Ordinance No. 018-24: Amending Ordinance No. 9938-22 Pay Ranges: City Manager Mallis stated that this ordinance is for the wages for part-time and seasonal employees and that these have not been changed in over twenty years.

Ordinance No. 019-24: contract with Business Network Team: City Manager Mallis stated that this is to purchase cameras at the Municipal Pool and the surrounding park. He also stated that everything is built into these cameras, not requiring the purchase of a separate server, and that they have a ten-year warranty. He also stated that our staff will do all of the work hooking up the cameras.

- **DISCUSSION OF CHAPTER 1105.03:**

City Manager Mallis stated that last time the fee structure was changed was five-years ago and that they will double check the rates between residents and non-residents.

- **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:  
BEDFORD AUTOMILE  
CITY OF BEDFORD LAND REUTILIZATION PROGRAM**

- **LITIGATION:  
17500 ROCKSIDE ROAD**

- **PERSONNEL:  
FIRE DEPARTMENT CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS**

<b>MOTION:</b>	Motion made by Fluharty and seconded by Frank Smith to adjourn into Executive Session at 5:59 P.M. to discuss Economic Development: Bedford Automile, City of Bedford Land Reutilization Program, Litigation: 17500 Rockside Road, and Personnel: Fire Department Contract Negotiations.
<b>MOVER:</b>	Victor Fluharty
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Frank Smith
<b>RESULT:</b>	Pass [6 TO 0]

**YEAS:** Spinks, Salvi, Fluharty, Smith, Longino

**MOTION:** Motion made by Longino and seconded by Frank Smith to adjourn out of Executive Session at 6:56 P.M.  
**MOVER:** Anthony Longino  
**SECONDER:** Frank Smith  
**RESULT:** Pass [6 TO 0]  
**YEAS:** Spinks, Salvi, Fluharty, Smith, Longino

The Work Session Meeting adjourned at 6:57 P.M.

  
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Clerk of Council

  
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Mayor-President of Council

Date: April 1, 2024



REGULAR MEETING      BEDFORD CITY COUNCIL      DATE: MARCH 18, 2024  
MINUTES      STATE OF OHIO  
                                 COUNTY OF CUYAHOGA      TIME: 7:00 PM  
                                 165 CENTER ROAD BEDFORD, OH 44146

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Bedford City Council met in a Regular Session at Bedford City Hall on Monday, March 18, 2024. Vice-Mayor Spinks called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

3. **ROLL CALL**

Motion to excuse Mayor Koci for this evening's meeting.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Motion made by Longino and seconded by Frank Smith to excuse Mayor Koci for this evening's meeting.
<b>MOVER:</b>	Tony Longino
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Frank Smith
<b>RESULT:</b>	Pass [6 TO 0]
<b>YEAS:</b>	Spinks, Salvi, Fluharty, Smith, Asbury, Longino

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- a. Approval of Minutes of the Work Session of March 4, 2024
- b. Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 4, 2024

5. **REPORTS**

- a. City Manager Mallis stated the following:
  - Chipper Service will start the first full week of April  
ODOT and Shelley Company will be back out on Broadway Ave. in the next couple of weeks to raise the castings for the Cleveland Waterline; this should be completed later this spring.
  - ODOT will start working on the Northfield Rd. bridge on March 25<sup>th</sup>. They will be working on the sidewalks, parapet walls, expansion joints, railings, fencing, and drainage. The bridge will be repainted in 2025. Traffic will be maintained, and the road will remain open.



- We have not received any formal announcement regarding Northfield Rd, but we have started discussing it with them.
- A couple of weeks ago, the traffic control box for a traffic camera on Broadway Rd. was completely destroyed. There was no accident reported. The City did receive a quote of \$31,000.00 that the City would be responsible for. Two officers started looking at the flock cameras and located a vehicle that hit the control box, got the license plate, and tracked it down. The gentleman did get a citation, and it is going through his insurance to make those repairs.
- Mrs. Kuzma, our Economic Development Director, communicated with Landbank last week regarding some properties that the City Council had previously condemned. 244 West Glendale is on the list to be taken down. Landbank will cover 100% of the cost, and the goal is to have it down by June.
- We also discussed with the Landbank ways that they can assist the City financially with demolishing or covering a portion of the cost to demolish 34 Nordham, which was previously condemned, and 97 Northfield. 97 Northfield is going to be a significant cost to take down, and the City would incur the initial cost and assess the property if we do not obtain other funding; if we can get the Landbank to cover a portion of it, it will save the City thousands of dollars.
- The City was awarded a Recycle Grant to cover the cost of our annual shred days. Shred Days will be in the Spring and Fall, and some educational information will also be sent out. The more we recycle, the lower our trash costs, and ultimately, that lowers everybody's costs.
- The Parks and Recreation Department will hold its annual Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 23rd, at 10:00 a.m. at Bearcat Stadium.

b. Law Director Montello had no report this evening.

c. Finance Director Howland had no report this evening.

d. Council Reports

Councilman Asbury stated the following:

- Make sure to call the Service Department ahead of time to get put on the list for the chipper service.
  - Primary Elections are tomorrow, and the polls are open from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Wards 1, 3, and 6 vote at Ellenwood, Ward 2 is at the High School, and Wards 4 and 5 are at Glendale.
- Asked City Manager Mallis about the starting of Turney Rd. resurfacing project.

City Manager Mallis stated that they are just completing the design for it and it will go out to bid. He stated that it may start in the middle of the summer.

Councilman Longino had no report this evening.

Councilman Salvi stated the following:

- Continuing to address the quality of life issues in Ward 2, and progress is being made.
- I have been writing down residents' complaints and addressing them as quickly as possible. The City Manager, Law Director, and other city staff have been very responsive to my requests for assistance.
- Repairs to the sewer system infrastructure continue in Ward 2.
- Ward 2 residents who are interested in serving on a Commission and possess relevant education and experience are encouraged to contact me.
- Encouraged residents to visit the City's website where it lists public meeting dates and issues under consideration, including the Planning Commission. Also, encourage residents to attend City Council Meetings and Council Work Sessions, which generally start at 5:30 p.m. This is where much of the discussion actually takes place prior to the vote on legislation.

Councilman Fluhardy stated the following:

- Bedford Historical Society had its annual Reverse Raffle this past Saturday, and it was well attended.
- Plans are underway for the Strawberry Festival that will be held on June 7th, 8th, and 9th.
- Reminded residents to preorder their fresh strawberry pies, the list will be available in May.
- The Car Show is on Sunday, June 1st.

Councilman Smith stated the following:

- The city will be holding a Youth Job Fair at the High School on Wednesday, March 20th, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the Auxiliary Gym.
- The school is supposed to give the students a heads-up on how to dress and what to say at mock interviews.
- The City Manager & I reached out to Zak's because we wanted this to be an all-inclusive event.
- Jersey Mike's reached out to me, and they will give me their Regional Manager's information to offer jobs. They will also be at the job fair.
- If you know of any organizations that are hiring for the summer, please let me know.

Tad Ellsworth, Executive Director of Operations for Bedford City Schools stated the following:

- Today, we had final interviews for the Construction Manager at Risk for the building project. We anticipate making a decision about the Construction Manager at the April 4th Board of Education Meeting.
- The projects are planned to kick off no later than Spring 2025.

Councilwoman Spinks wished everyone a Happy Easter.

## 6. NEW BUSINESS

- a **MOTION TO APPOINT CHRISTOPHER BULANDA TO THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION FOR A FOUR-YEAR TERM. Was read by title only.**

<b>MOTION:</b>	Motion made by Fluharty and seconded by Jeff Asbury to place said ordinance/resolution on third and final reading.
<b>MOVER:</b>	Victor Fluharty
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Jeff Asbury
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Pass [6 TO 0]</b>
<b>YEAS:</b>	Spinks, Salvi, Fluharty, Smith, Asbury, Longino

- b. **ORDINANCE NO. 012-24: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH THUNDERSHINE LLC, FOR THE PURCHASE OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT 900-100 WILLIS STREET AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY Was read by title only.**

<b>MOTION:</b>	Motion made by Asbury and seconded by Victor Fluharty to suspend the rules requiring the reading of said ordinance/resolution on three different days.
<b>MOVER:</b>	Jeff Asbury
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Victor Fluharty
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Pass [6 TO 0]</b>
<b>YEAS:</b>	Spinks, Salvi, Fluharty, Smith, Asbury, Longino

City Manager Mallis stated the following:

- This is the property located across the street from the Post Office; the City is working with the property owner to do a lot split.
- The City is going to be acquiring a majority of the parking lot that is adjacent to already City-owned property.
- We will add thirteen to seventeen parking spaces, and we intend to do this with the proposed project to expand the Bedford Commons which would eliminate the parking behind the Train Depot.
- The parking lot was purchased for \$25,000.00. The City will be responsible for all of the fees associated with the lot split and the filing fees.
- Last year, the City was awarded a \$50,000.00 County Grant for land acquisition; this will be completely funded through the county grant at no cost to the City.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Motion made by Smith and seconded by Victor Fluharty to approve.
<b>MOVER:</b>	Frank Smith
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Victor Fluharty
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Pass [6 TO 0]</b>
<b>YEAS:</b>	Spinks, Salvi, Fluharty, Smith, Asbury, Longino

- c **ORDINANCE NO. 013-24: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH iamGIS GROUP, LLC ("GIS") FOR ASSET MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE AND SERVICES FOR THE**

COMMUNITIES PUBLIC WATER AND SEWER INFRASTRUCTURE AND  
DECLARING AN EMERGENCY **Was read by title only.**

<b>MOTION:</b>	Motion made by Longino and seconded by Jeff Asbury to suspend the rules requiring the reading of said ordinance/resolution on three different days.
<b>MOVER:</b>	Tony Longino
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Jeff Asbury
<b>RESULT:</b>	Pass [6 TO 0]
<b>YEAS:</b>	Spinks, Salvi, Fluharty, Smith, Asbury, Longino

City Manager Mallis stated the following:

- This is a renewal contract for the GIS Software and we've been working with iamGIS for the past three years.
- The staff has done a tremendous job detailing all of our water infrastructure, sewer infrastructure, and roadway improvements, along with a detailed list of all the different types of trees planted, trees in the City, and valve control boxes that were replaced.
- The cost to renew for three years is \$45,900.00.
- The City owns and controls all of our data, and if we ever decide to move to a different platform, we have everything we've incorporated into the software.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Motion made by Asbury and seconded by Victor Fluharty to approve.
<b>MOVER:</b>	Jeff Asbury
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Victor Fluharty
<b>RESULT:</b>	Pass [6 TO 0]
<b>YEAS:</b>	Spinks, Salvi, Fluharty, Smith, Asbury, Longino

- ORDINANCE NO. 014-24: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY**  
d. **MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH GANLEY CHEVROLET OF AURORA, LLC (GANLEY) TO PURCHASE TWO (2) 2024 CHEVROLET TAHOES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY Was read by title only.**

<b>MOTION:</b>	Motion made by Fluharty and seconded by Frank Smith to suspend the rules requiring the reading of said ordinance/resolution on three different days.
<b>MOVER:</b>	Victor Fluharty
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Frank Smith
<b>RESULT:</b>	Pass [6 TO 0]
<b>YEAS:</b>	Spinks, Salvi, Fluharty, Smith, Asbury, Longino

City Manager Mallis stated the following:

- This is for the purchase of two new Chevrolet Tahoes for the Police Department. Ganley of Aurora. The City will go outside and locate companies to outfit the cruisers to get a better price on outfitting them.



- Ganley of Aurora has these vehicles available, and the City received a \$150,000.00 grant from the county for 100% reimbursement for these vehicles. However, the funds must be spent and reimbursed by September.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Motion made by Longino and seconded by Jeff Asbury to approve.
<b>MOVER:</b>	Tony Longino
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Jeff Asbury
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Pass [6 TO 0]</b>
<b>YEAS:</b>	Spinks, Salvi, Fluharty, Smith, Asbury, Longino

- ORDINANCE NO. 015-24: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 133.23 ENTITLED "RECREATION REBATE PROGRAM" SUBSECTION (A)**
- e. **AUTHORIZING THE BEDFORD FINANCE DIRECTOR TO CONTINUE A REBATE PROGRAM FOR BEDFORD RESIDENTS REGISTERING TO BECOME MEMBERS OF THE BEDFORD HEIGHTS COMMUNITY CENTER IN THE CITY OF BEDFORD HEIGHTS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY Was read by title only.**

<b>MOTION:</b>	Motion made by Smith and seconded by Jeff Asbury to suspend the rules requiring the reading of said ordinance/resolution on three different days.
<b>MOVER:</b>	Frank Smith
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Jeff Asbury
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Pass [6 TO 0]</b>
<b>YEAS:</b>	Spinks, Salvi, Fluharty, Smith, Asbury, Longino

City Manager Mallis stated the following:

- This is to increase the rebate that the City will offer residents who join the Bedford Heights Community Center.
- The increase for the rebate amount will go from \$50.00 to \$75.00.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Motion made by Fluharty and seconded by Frank Smith to approve.
<b>MOVER:</b>	Victor Fluharty
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Frank Smith
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Pass [6 TO 0]</b>
<b>YEAS:</b>	Spinks, Salvi, Fluharty, Smith, Asbury, Longino

- f **ORDINANCE NO. 016-24: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH GPD GROUP (GPD) FOR A FINANCIAL CAPABILITY ASSESSMENT TO SUPPLEMENT THE NO FEASIBLE ALTERNATIVES (NFA) ANALYSIS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY Was read by title only**

<b>MOTION:</b>	Motion made by Longino and seconded by Jeff Asbury to suspend the rules requiring the reading of said ordinance/resolution on three different days.
<b>MOVER:</b>	Tony Longino
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Jeff Asbury
<b>RESULT:</b>	Pass [6 TO 0]
<b>YEAS:</b>	Spinks, Salvi, Fluharty, Smith, Asbury, Longino

City Manager Mallis stated the following:

- A couple of years ago, the Ohio EP required the City to conduct a No-Feasible Alternative Analysis to renew our permit for the Waste Water Treatment Plant.
- The Ohio EPA wants the City to reduce its infiltration at the plant. Infiltration can come from improper hookups from business and residents' lateral lines, and the goal is to reduce those occurrences during heavy storms.
- The City had to install flow monitoring equipment at several sewer mains and leave it in for a year to obtain the proper data during the rainy season.
- The city can reduce infiltration in a couple of ways: replacing every sewer in the City or making all residents replace their laterals, which is not feasible.
- The City needs to demonstrate several different data calculation models and submit them to the Ohio EPA as part of our permit renewal.
- One alternative is that residents could go to Regional Water, but their rates will skyrocket, and we don't believe that is an alternative solution.
- Another alternative is that it is a massive investment that gets passed on to the taxpayers, and the City has concerns about it, but it is imperative to do is to put together a Financial Capability Analysis to pair up with the No Feasible Alternative
- Analysis and submit it at the same time in May to the Ohio EPA.
- We want to show the Ohio EPA that Bedford is in a strong position financially but would argue that the City is not in a position to invest \$100 Million over ten years. It also shows the City's aging infrastructure, considers the median household income, and the average age of residents would help paint the picture as we negotiate with the Ohio EPA and future investments at the plant.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Motion made by Fluharty and seconded by Frank Smith to approve.
<b>MOVER:</b>	Victor Fluharty
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Frank Smith
<b>RESULT:</b>	Pass [6 TO 0]
<b>YEAS:</b>	Spinks, Salvi, Fluharty, Smith, Asbury, Longino

g **ORDINANCE NO. 017-24: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 9365-16 CHAPTER 1103 ENTITLED "MUNICIPAL SWIMMING POOL" SPECIFICALLY SECTION 1103.01 ENTITLED "FEES" OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF BEDFORD AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY Was read by title only.**

<b>MOTION:</b>	Motion made by Longino and seconded by Jeff Asbury to suspend the rules requiring the reading of said ordinance/resolution on three different days.
<b>MOVER:</b>	Tony Longino
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Jeff Asbury
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Pass [6 TO 0]</b>
<b>YEAS:</b>	Spinks, Salvi, Fluharty, Smith, Asbury, Longino

City Manager Mallis stated the following:

- This is cleaning up the language in our ordinance regarding the Parks and Recreation Department.
- As we work with independent contractors that charge for the different programs we need the flexibility to charge accordingly.
- That language is incorporated in other parts of the legislation, and we would like to incorporate it under the Municipal Pool, where it will be outlined and set forth by the Recreation Director, Finance Director, and the City Manager.
- There are no plans to increase pool passes for the 2024 season.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Motion made by Fluharty and seconded by Tony Longino to approve.
<b>MOVER:</b>	Victor Fluharty
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Tony Longino
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Pass [6 TO 0]</b>
<b>YEAS:</b>	Spinks, Salvi, Fluharty, Smith, Asbury, Longino

h **ORDINANCE NO. 018-24: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 9938-22 ESTABLISHING PAY RANGES AS SUBSEQUENTLY AMENDED AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY Was read by title only.**

<b>MOTION:</b>	Motion made by Fluharty and seconded by Frank Smith to suspend the rules requiring the reading of said ordinance/resolution on three different days.
<b>MOVER:</b>	Victor Fluharty
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Frank Smith
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Pass [6 TO 0]</b>
<b>YEAS:</b>	Spinks, Salvi, Fluharty, Smith, Asbury, Longino
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>ABSTAIN:</b>	

City Manager Mallis stated the following:

- The pay rates have not been adjusted for all of the part-time and seasonal employees in twenty-plus years.
- The part-time positions include the Parks and Recreation Department, the General Outdoor Maintenance Building Department, and various part-time clerks.
- This is to clean up the ordinance as well as the pay ranges for all seasonal and part-time employees.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Motion made by Longino and seconded by Jeff Asbury to approve.
<b>MOVER:</b>	Tony Longino
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Jeff Asbury
<b>RESULT:</b>	Pass [6 TO 0]
<b>YEAS:</b>	Spinks, Salvi, Fluharty, Smith, Asbury, Longino

- ORDINANCE NO. 019-24: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY**
- i. **MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE BUSINESS NETWORK TEAM FOR THE PURCHASE OF A SECURITY CAMERA SYSTEM FOR THE MUNICIPAL SWIMMING POOL AND SURROUNDING PARKS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY Was read by title only**

<b>MOTION:</b>	Motion made by Fluharty and seconded by Jeff Asbury to suspend the rules requiring the reading of said ordinance/resolution on three different days.
<b>MOVER:</b>	Victor Fluharty
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Jeff Asbury
<b>RESULT:</b>	Pass [6 TO 0]
<b>YEAS:</b>	Spinks, Salvi, Fluharty, Smith, Asbury, Longino
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>ABSTAIN:</b>	

City Manager Mallis stated the following:

- This is for the purchase of security cameras at the Municipal Pool and the surrounding parks at Ellenwood Center.
- This was budgeted for, and it is also part of last year's Improvement Project.
- The difference in the quote from the other company is that we would of had to purchase a server.
- We will be doing all of the installation of the cameras, and the cameras are cloud-based.
- The City and Ellenwood staff will have access to the cameras down at the pool, and the Police Department will also be able to access them.  
The cameras from the Business Network Team come with a ten-year warranty on each camera.
- Even though Business Network Team is \$1,300.00 more it eliminates the City in purchasing another server.

<b>MOTION:</b>	Motion made by Smith and seconded by Tony Longino to approve.
<b>MOVER:</b>	Frank Smith
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Tony Longino
<b>RESULT:</b>	Pass [6 TO 0]
<b>YEAS:</b>	Spinks, Salvi, Fluharty, Smith, Asbury, Longino

## 7. HEARING OF CITIZENS

Moore Stevens, 101 Tarbell Ave., Bedford, OH: stated the following:

- He wanted to know why it was difficult to get a permit to put up a private fence at his house when they went through the proper protocols in speaking with Mr. Morrow at the library. according to him, Mr. Stevens's property is two feet over the line.
- He was told that insurance would not allow it and that the library would not put up with it.
- He stated that the library is not being monitored, that there are people staying overnight in cars, that kids are there early in the morning and late at night, even after hours, and that there is no security or anything there.
- At one time, there was a chain link fence up, and he went through the protocols again to get a permit to put it back up but was told by the Building Commissioner that he needed to get permission from Mr. Morrow, who denied it.
- We had everything together, and we have contractors, and they are for it.
- We are going to take care of the fence

City Manager Mallis stated that he would look into it and get a resolution on this matter.

Mike Olberding, 695 McKinley St., Bedford, OH: stated the following:

University Hospital shut down the hospital, and now they are putting up an Urgent Care in Solon and wanted to know how they can do that.

City Manager Mallis stated that he can only comment on what is still in litigation.

Mr. Olberding asked about what could be done about the deer.

City Manager Mallis stated the following:

- The Metroparks have been deer culling for about six or seven years, and they do it through the middle of April. They block off the Bedford Reservation area.
- The City also has had a deer management program for a number of years, where we submit a request through the Ohio Department of Natural Resources and they dictate to the City how many tags we can have.
- Typically, they provide twenty to thirty tags, and then our police officers go into the designated areas in the City to cull the deer.
- Years ago, Council approved specific areas where they could conduct the culling. One of those areas is near the Waste Water Treatment Plant.
- There is also a certain as to when the City can cull the deer and the Ohio Department of Natural Resources is very strict.

Mr. Olberding inquired about the new schools being built.

Mr. Ellsworth stated that a new middle school will be built on the property and that plans are being made to further develop the athletic fields behind the new school.

Dr. Sandu, 37010 Hamilton Court, Solon, OH: stated the following:

- He was at a Council Meeting a couple of weeks ago, and he is still seeking justice for the attack that happened to him on October 22nd.
- He was told that the video he provided was fuzzy and that they couldn't see anything. He then stated that he had provided a couple of videos that clearly show the attack on him and that he had dozens of signatures from all the people in the congregation.
- He seeks justice and that the attackers should be charged, and that he will prove beyond a reasonable doubt that the video has been tampered with.

Mr. Montello stated that the police have the information and are reviewing it.

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

<b>MOTION:</b>	Motion made by Fluharty and seconded by Jeff Asbury to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 P.M.
<b>MOVER:</b>	Victor Fluharty
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Jeff Asbury
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>Pass [6 TO 0]</b>
<b>YEAS:</b>	Spinks, Salvi, Fluharty, Smith, Asbury, Longino
<b>NAYS:</b>	
<b>ABSTAIN:</b>	

  
 Clerk of Council

  
 Mayor-President of Council

Date: April 1, 2024