

**COUNCIL WORK SESSION**

**MARCH 18, 2019**

**6:30 P.M. PROMPT**

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- **DISCUSSION OF AGENDA**
- **DISCUSSION OF CHAPTER 1949 “SIGNS”**  
(§1949.136) (2/4/19-2/19/19-3/4/19)
- **DISCUSSION OF COUNCIL SUMMER SESSION MEETING DATES**
- **EXECUTIVE SESSION** – (Personnel / Economic Development / Litigation)

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Bedford City Council met in a Work Session at Bedford City Hall on Monday, March 18, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.

Present: Council Members: Mayor Stan Koci, Victor Fluharty, Walter Genutis, Donald Saunders and Heather Rhoades. Absent: Paula Mizensak, Sandy Spinks. Also Present: Clerk of Council Lorree Villers. Administration: City Manager Michael Mallis, Law Director John Montello, Finance Director Frank Gambosi, Building Commissioner Calvin Beverly and Assistant Finance Director Jennifer Howland.

Mayor Koci began discussion of the Regular Council Meeting agenda.

There were no changes to the March 4, 2019 Regular Council Minutes and the Work Session Minutes.

**ORDINANCE NO. 9676-19 AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE CITY OF BEDFORD CREDIT CARD USE POLICY TO CONTINUE TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH STATE MANDATED POLICY PLACED ON FIRST READING FEBRUARY 19, 2019 AND SECOND READING MARCH 4, 2019 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

Mr. Gambosi previously explained this was for the Mayor, Administrative employees and the employees authorized at the discretion of the Finance Director and City Manager who used credit cards who needed to comply with the policy for proper public purpose expenditures and recordkeeping as mandated by House Bill 312. The only change was to add Amazon Prime general account. It was determined debit purchases were not practiced by the employees.

**ORDINANCE NO. 9677-19 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 151.08 (a) (c) OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE ENTITLED "COMPENSATION FOR OVERTIME WORK" OF THE CITY OF BEDFORD, OHIO PLACED ON FIRST READING FEBRUARY 19, 2019 AND SECOND READING MARCH 4, 2019 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

Mr. Gambosi previously explained the Administrative Code needs to be updated. The Administrative Personnel for purposes of compensatory time was defined as follows: City Manager, Police Chief, Deputy Police Chief, Fire Chief, Assistant Fire Chief, Business Development Liaison, Finance Director, Assistant Finance Director, Recreation Director, Assistant Recreation Director, Building Commissioner, Service Director and Superintendent of Public Works.

Compensation for Overtime Work" which formerly read:

**151.08 COMPENSATION FOR OVERTIME WORK.**

(a) Employees may be granted compensatory time off by the City Manager. Effective September 27, 1990, administrative personnel shall no longer accumulate compensatory time for the purpose of accruing cash value payable at the time of retirement or other separation of service from the City of Bedford.

(1) All documented compensatory time accrued prior to September 17, 1990, shall remain on the books to be used by the individual within one year from the date hereof, unless said time period is extended by the City Manager.

(2) The administrative staff, with the approval of the City Manager, may earn compensatory time off for work beyond the normal work week. All compensatory time must be approved by the Manager. (Ord. 6136-90. Passed 10-1-90)

(b) For regular hourly rated employees, overtime shall be compensated by payment in cash at one and one-half times the regular straight time rate.

(c) Any regular employee, whose compensation is on an hourly basis and who is performing work in excess of the regular work week as hereinbefore defined on a Sunday or any of the regular holidays, shall receive compensation for such work at the rate of one and one-half times the rate established for regular time. Should any of the aforesaid holidays fall on Sunday, the following Monday shall be observed; if work is performed on Monday, the overtime schedule shall be used in arriving at the compensation to be paid.

(d) Overtime shall be paid to regular full-time employees of the Bedford Municipal Court for time worked in excess of the hours established by the Judge of the Court as a regular work week for such employee. (Ord. 5641-86. Passed 5-19-86)

The amendments were:

(a) Employees may be granted compensatory time off by the City Manager. Effective September 27, 1990, administrative personnel shall no longer accumulate compensatory time for the purpose of accruing cash value payable at the time of retirement or other separation of service from the City of Bedford.

(1) All documented compensatory time accrued prior to September 17, 1990, shall remain on the books to be used by the individual within one year from the date hereof, unless said time period is extended by the City Manager.

(2) The administrative staff, with the approval of the City Manager, may earn compensatory time off for work beyond the normal work week. All compensatory time must be approved by the Manager. **Administrative Personnel for purposes of this section regarding compensatory time are defined as follows:**

**City Manager, Police Chief, Deputy Police Chief, Fire Chief, Assistant Fire Chief, Business Development Liaison, Finance Director, Assistant Finance Director, Recreation Director, Assistant Recreation Director, Building Commissioner, Service Director, and Superintendent of Public Works.**

(3) **Non-Administrative (regular employees) personnel employees, will continue to provide and file for review, compensatory time records (earnings and usage) to the City Manager as stated herein. These records will include reporting compensatory time usage, earnings and balances on a quarterly basis.**

**Non-Administrative employees who accumulates compensatory time, accumulated time, holiday time, etc. on the books at the time of appointment prior to an administrative position, must report the hours on the books at the time of the administrative appointment, to the City Manager. These reports documenting compensatory hours earned in a non-administrative position, will be placed in the employee's personnel file for review. These hours on the books at time of appointment, will be paid before taking the administrative position, at the current pay rate of the Union or non-administrative position. Therefore, at the time of appointment to the administrative position no compensatory time will be on the books for that employee.**

**Current employees in the positions of Fire Chief, Assistant Fire Chief, Police Chief and Deputy Police Chief will be paid their compensatory time hours upon separation, on the books accrued by them from the union position at the time of administrative appointment. The rate of pay for these hours earned in the past, will be at the union rate, for their prior respective service position, (ex. Lieutenant, Sergeant) at their separation date.**

(4) **No Administrative personnel may accumulate more than 240 (two-hundred and forty hours) of administrative compensatory time at the time of separation of service.**

(5) **All Administrative personnel will earn compensatory time one hour for one hour worked (excluding Law Director, Assistant Law Director and City Engineer who are hired on a contractual basis). The Law Director, Assistant Law Director and City Engineer all hired on a contractual basis, do not earn or accrue any sick leave or vacation time hours.**

(6) **Administrative personnel employees (excluding Clerk of Council, Finance Director and City Manager) as identified above, must file their compensatory time earnings and usage reports with the City Manager.**

(7) **The Clerk of Council, City Manager, and Finance Director will file compensatory time reports with usage, earnings and balances on a quarterly basis with the Mayor and a copy with the Finance Director to be included in their personnel files for review.**

(b) For regular hourly rated employees, overtime shall be compensated by payment in cash at one and one-half times the regular straight time rate.

(c) Any regular (**Non-Administrative**) employee, whose compensation is on an hourly basis and who is performing work in excess of the regular work week as hereinbefore defined on a Sunday or any of the regular holidays, shall receive compensation for such work at the rate of one and one-half times the rate established for regular time. Should any of the aforesaid holidays fall on Sunday, the following Monday shall be observed; if work is performed on Monday, the overtime schedule shall be used in arriving at the compensation to be paid.

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ORDINANCE NO. 9679-19 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO CONTRACT WITH LPV PRODUCTIONS, INC FOR VIDEO TAPING SERVICES FOR COUNCIL MEETINGS AND STATE OF THE CITY ADDRESS PLACED ON FIRST READING MARCH 4, 2019 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Mallis previously explained the City wishes to record public meetings for dissemination to the public to be open and transparent. The contract was with LPV, Productions Inc. for three (3) years in the amount of \$9,435.00. He had a verbal on the second quote of \$1,200 - \$1,300 per meeting. This would be read as a second reading because there were two Council members absent.

RESOLUTION NO. 2532-19 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH OAK GROUP, INC. PLACED ON FIRST READING MARCH 4, 2019 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Mallis previously explained Building Department was in need of an additional Master Plans Examiner Services. The Oak Group, Inc. was qualified to provide Master Plans Examiner & Building Official services through duly licensed and certified Master Plans Examiners and Building Official in compliance with the laws of the State of Ohio, and desired to render Master Plans Examiner services for the City. This would be read as a second reading because there were two Council members absent.

ORDINANCE NO. 9680-19 AN ORDINANCE TO LEVY ASSESSMENTS FOR DELINQUENT WATER BILLS IN THE CITY OF BEDFORD, OHIO AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Gambosi explained the persons and/or entities on the list failed to pay for delinquent water bills. This would be read as a first reading because there were two Council members absent.

ORDINANCE NO. 9681-19 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 9617-18 CHAPTER 906 ENTITLED "USE OF PUBLIC WAYS FOR SMALL CELL WIRELESS FACILITIES AND WIRELESS SUPPORT STRUCTURES" OF THE CITY OF BEDFORD CODE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Montello explained this was to keep the entire Chapter up to date involving several amendments. This would be read as a first reading because there were two Council members absent.

ORDINANCE NO. 9682-19 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 9576-18 AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER AND THE CHIEF OF POLICE TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH VILLAGE OF ORANGE FOR USE OF THE BEDFORD CITY JAIL FACILITIES ("JAIL") AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY WAS READ BY TITLE ONLY

Mr. Mallis explained the Chief of Police negotiated another contract for the use of Bedford's Jail by the Village of Orange pursuant to Codified Ordinance Section 137.13. Mr. Montello noted the other contracts would need addressed as well in the upcoming meetings. This would be read as a first reading because there were two Council members absent.

**Motion to accept the Planning Commission's recommendation of March 5, 2019 regarding JP Martini, Martini Construction Company, 2222 Hamilton Avenue, Cleveland owner Marvin Hewatt, 700 Turney Road Center, LLC. 305 Equipment Court, Lawrenceville, GA who was proposing to renovate the exterior of the Sunoco Service Station and Canopy into a convenient store and gas station.**

Mr. Beverly explained this was renovation of the exterior of the Sunoco Service Station and Canopy changing into a convenient store and gas station which currently was in very poor shape. Council did not have an issue with the request.

**Motion to accept the Planning Commission's recommendation of March 5, 2019 regarding Yolanda Lewis, 7110 Chestnut Drive, Walton Hills owner Michael Shore who was proposing to open a Beauty Salon located at 794 Broadway Avenue (§1937.03) (B-2 District)**

Mr. Beverly explained Ms. Lewis requested to open a Beauty Salon in the small plaza across from Sirna's. The Commission questioned the address because currently there was a yoga business at the address listed on the application. The Planning Commission minutes reflected Ms. Lewis was not present at the March 5<sup>th</sup> Planning Commission meeting to clarify the address. Mr. Beverly was in the process of reassigning addresses for that strip of businesses. Council did not have an issue with the request.

**DISCUSSION OF CHAPTER 1949 "SIGNS" (§1949.136) (2/4/19-2/19/19-3/4/19)**

Previously submitted for Council review was the entire Chapter. Mrs. Rhoades previously explained the businesses that brought this discussion to the City's attention were Metro PCS and Broadway Auto. Just by coincidence, Accurate Tax Services also asked about adding window lights. In Metro PCS' case, they did technically do the proper thing initially. Per ordinance, the lights were considered signs and needed to be approved by the Historic Preservation Board (HPB). The HPB approved Metro PCS' window lights but it now appears that Metro PCS replaced the original lights with much brighter lights. She knew Accurate Tax Services and Broadway Auto never applied for a proper permit. In all three cases, the lights were very bright and with the advancement of LED technology lights they would only get brighter. She believed the HPB requested the ordinances be reviewed because they regretted giving permission to Metro PCS. Many other business owners in Downtown find them obnoxious, annoying and a direct quote from two different shop owners was it made the Downtown area feel like the "Vegas strip." She agreed that business owners have the right to advertise their businesses, business owners also have the right to have the look and feel of neighborhood that they originally opened their business and for it to remain as the same as when they signed the lease. She felt Sections 1949.133 and 1949.136 kind of already bans the lights as one bans "Internally illuminated sign panels" and the other bans "Flashing signs or signs illuminated in such a way as to be distracting to motorists." Three business owners say they want their lighted signs because it will attract the attention of passing motor vehicles, which means that they have to be distracting in order to do that. Section 1949.135 also put limits on how large a sign can be in the Downtown area as the lights were considered part of signage, it essentially turns the whole window into a sign, which also was not compliant with this ordinance. She felt Metro PCS never should have been approved in the first place. This was not really a matter of whether the City should ban window lights but rather clarifying that they were already banned. She was open to making rules about how bright the lights could be or some other compromise except that after reading the sign ordinances she realized that probably half the signs in Downtown were not in compliance. Some signs were blatantly not in compliance and had been this way for several years. The City's Building Department was not able to keep up with enforcing the current signage ordinances and adding another ambiguous, "left up to the discretion of someone" ordinance would likely not be enforced either. She would prefer an out-and-out ban on window lights in the Historic District.

Previously Mrs. Rhoades submitted her suggestions and/or amended version of the City of Aurora's Sign Chapter for review. Also submitted was the Village of Northfield's recently passed sign ordinance for comparison and review; however, it had not been challenged in Court. Council agreed the Historical

District and Automile would need special attention because the other cities did not have an Automile and limited Historical Districts.

Previously the items discussed were: Political signs, real estate signs (push in ground lawn signs verses 4x4 post signs), flag signs, inflatable time limits, memorial sign time limits, vehicle for sale signs, scoreboards, video signs for example the City complex, Bedford Schools and LOHV and the need for possible variances. LED sign brightness, scrolling and flashing distracting signs. Council liked the City of Aurora's approach because it was specific and detailed; Bedford's was too vague and open to interpretation. Another concern was violating ones freedom of speech.

It was determined since Mr. Beverly had not had ample time to review the documents, this issue would be discussed again at the April 1<sup>st</sup> Work Session.

**DISCUSSION OF COUNCIL SUMMER SESSION MEETING DATES**

It was determined the meeting dates would be: June 3<sup>rd</sup>, July 1<sup>st</sup> and August 5<sup>th</sup> for 2019. If Council needed to schedule another meeting they could on the normal 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday per the Charter.

Motion made by Rhoades seconded by Fluharty to go into executive session to discuss Personnel 121.22 (B) (1) / Economic Development / Litigation. The roll was called. Vote – Yeas: Koci, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Rhoades. Nays: None. Motion carried unanimously.

At 7:35 p.m., Bedford City Council, City Manager Mike Mallis, Law Director John Montello and Finance Director went into an executive session to discuss Personnel 121.22 (B) (1) / Economic Development / Litigation.

Executive Session adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Work Session adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

  
Clerk of Council

  
Mayor - President of Council

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
  
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
  
3. **ROLL CALL**
  
4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
  - a. Approval of Minutes of the Work Session of March 4, 2019
  - b. Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 4, 2019
  
5. **PRESENTATIONS –**
  
6. **OLD BUSINESS** – (1<sup>st</sup> Rdg: 2/19/19 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Rdg: 3/4/19)
  - a. Ordinance No. 9676-19 adopt Credit Card Use Policy
  - b. Ordinance No. 9677-19 amend Ord. #6136-90 Section 151.08 (a) (c) - “Compensation for Overtime Work”
  - c. Ordinance No. 9679-19 contract with LPV Productions, Inc. for Meeting Videography (\$9,435) (3 yr) (1<sup>st</sup> Rdg: 3/4/19)
  - d. Resolution No. 2532-19 contract w/Oak Group, Inc. for additional master Plans Examiner Services (1<sup>st</sup> Rdg: 3/4/19)
  
7. **REPORTS**
  - a. City Manager
  - b. Law Director
  - c. Finance Director
  - d. Council Reports
  
8. **NEW BUSINESS**
  - a. Ordinance No. 9680-19 levy assessments for delinquent water bills (1)
  - b. Ordinance No. 9681-19 amend Ord #9617-18 Chapter 906 Small Cell Wireless Facilities
  - c. Ordinance No. 9682-19 amend #9576-18 contract w/Village of Orange
  - d. Motion to accept the Planning Commission’s recommendation of March 5, 2019 regarding JP Martini, Martini Construction Company, 2222 Hamilton Avenue, Cleveland owner Marvin Hewatt, 700 Turney Road Center, LLC., 305 Equipment Court, Lawrenceville, GA is proposing to renovate the exterior of the Sunoco Service Station and Canopy into a convenient store and gas station (roll call)
  - e. Motion to accept the Planning Commission’s recommendation of March 5, 2019 regarding Yolanda Lewis, 7110 Chestnut Drive, Walton Hills owner Michael Shore is proposing to open a Beauty Salon located at 794 Broadway Avenue (§1937.03) (B-2 District) (roll call)
  
9. **HEARING OF CITIZENS**
  
10. **ADJOURNMENT**

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Bedford City Council met in Regular Session at Bedford City Hall on Monday, March 18, 2019. Mayor Koci called the meeting to order at 8:05 P.M. The meeting was opened by pledging allegiance to the flag. The roll was called. Present: Koci, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Rhoades. Absent: Spinks, Mizesak.

Motion made by Rhoades seconded by Saunders to excuse Councilwoman Mizesak. The roll was called. Vote – Yeas: Koci, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Rhoades. Nays: None. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Rhoades seconded by Saunders to excuse Councilwoman Spinks. The roll was called. Vote – Yeas: Koci, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Rhoades. Nays: None. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Genutis seconded by Fluharty to approve the minutes of the Work Session Meeting of March 4, 2019. The roll was called. Vote – Yeas: Koci, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Rhoades. Nays: None. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Rhoades seconded by Saunders to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 4, 2019. The roll was called. Vote – Yeas: Koci, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Rhoades. Nays: None. Motion carried unanimously.

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Motion made by Genutis seconded by Fluharty to place Ordinance No. **9676-19** on third and final reading and passed.

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Motion made by Spinks seconded by Genutis to place Ordinance No. **9677-19** on third and final reading and passed.

Mr. Gambosi explained the Administrative Code needs to be updated. The Administrative Personnel for purposes of compensatory time were defined as Department Heads and Deputy/Assistants. [City Manager, Police Chief, Deputy Police Chief, Fire Chief, Assistant Fire Chief, Business Development Liaison, Finance Director, Assistant Finance Director, Recreation Director, Assistant Recreation Director, Building Commissioner, Service Director and Superintendent of Public Works]. Mr. Saunders asked if this included the Clerk of Council. The reply was no.

The roll was called. Vote – Yeas: Koci, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Rhoades. Nays: None. Motion carried unanimously.



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Motion made by Spinks seconded by Genutis to place Ordinance No. **9679-19** on second reading.

The roll was called. Vote – Yeas: Koci, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Rhoades. Nays: None. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 2532-19 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH OAK GROUP, INC. PLACED ON FIRST READING MARCH 4, 2019 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY WAS READ BY TITLE ONLY

Motion made by Saunders seconded by Rhoades to place Resolution No. **2532-19** on second reading.

The roll was called. Vote – Yeas: Koci, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Rhoades. Nays: None. Motion carried unanimously.

The Ward Meeting dates: Wards 1 & 4 on March 25<sup>th</sup>, Wards 3 & 5 on April 8<sup>th</sup> and Wards 2 & 6 on April 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

City Manager Michael Mallis explained the first round of the sounding water distribution system would begin April 1<sup>st</sup> for about a week by Leak Seekers so if the residents saw either a Toyota Tundra or a side by side ATV do not be alarmed. The Center Road County resurfacing project would extend from Bedford's five points across Rockside Road into Maple Heights. The City was notified that Norfolk Southern and Wheeling and Lake Erie Railways would be installing upgrades to the crossing at West Grace Street which included \$500+ in crossing upgrades. He explained there were 50+ warnings issued throughout the City to those residents who either put out their rubbish cans too soon or failed to remove the cans from the tree lawn after the rubbish had been collected. The information was entered into a data base and starting in April those who were repeat offenders would receive a citation. He announced the Easter Egg Hunt was April 13<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m.

No reports from Law Director John Montello and Councilman Genutis.

Finance Director Frank Gambosi urged the residents to file their tax returns by April 15<sup>th</sup> and everyone still needed to submit their hard copy to the Tax Department. He announced the Pancake Run was April 28<sup>th</sup> starting at 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Councilman Fluharty was pleased to see the street sweeper cleaning the streets.

Councilman Saunders explained the State was in discussions of eliminating front car license plates. He said Schwebel's Bakery in Solon was closing in May which meant 200 jobs were at stake. He questioned where the Columbus Road repair project would extend too. Mr. Mallis replied it would stop at the City line. Mr. Saunders hoped the City's Engineer Joe Ciuni was aware of the poor base condition of Center Road prior to the Cuyahoga County resurfacing project. He suggested larger gates be installed at the West Grace railroad crossing during the upgrades. He questioned if the Quiet Zone was going to be addressed at this location. Mr. Mallis explained the pros, cons and safety concerns of right turns only if the City decided to move forward with the Quiet Zone. Mr. Saunders asked if the Forbes Road project was moving forward. Mr. Mallis explained the City may lose the project funding because Oakwood decided not to commit because of their portion of the cost. He strongly felt it was in the best interest of Bedford not to cover the Village of Oakwood's \$60,000 portion of the project.

Mayor Koci reported for Councilwoman Mizzak in her absence that she was pleased with the rubbish can warnings and urged the residents not to place their spring cleanup yard debris in the streets. It clogs the storm sewers which costs taxpayers money to fix. He announced the Council Summer Session meeting dates were: June 3<sup>rd</sup>, July 1<sup>st</sup> and August 5<sup>th</sup>.

Councilwoman Rhoades welcomed residents to join and/or attend the Bedford Garden Club monthly meetings; the next meeting was April 21<sup>st</sup> at Ellenwood starting at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Koci explained all the New Business Ordinances would be read as first readings this evening because there wasn't enough Council members present for passage.

ORDINANCE NO. 9680-19 AN ORDINANCE TO LEVY ASSESSMENTS FOR DELINQUENT WATER BILLS IN THE CITY OF BEDFORD, OHIO AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY WAS READ BY TITLE ONLY

Motion made by Fluharty seconded by Genutis to place Ordinance No. **9680-19** on first reading.

The roll was called. Vote – Yeas: Koci, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Rhoades. Nays: None. Motion carried unanimously.

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Motion made by Saunders seconded by Rhoades to place Ordinance No. **9681-19** on first reading.

The roll was called. Vote – Yeas: Koci, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Rhoades. Nays: None. Motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 9682-19 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 9576-18 AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER AND THE CHIEF OF POLICE TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH VILLAGE OF ORANGE FOR USE OF THE BEDFORD CITY JAIL FACILITIES (“JAIL”) AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY WAS READ BY TITLE ONLY

Motion made by Spinks seconded by Genutis to place Ordinance No. **9682-19** on first reading.

The roll was called. Vote – Yeas: Koci, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Rhoades. Nays: None. Motion carried unanimously.

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The renovation was the exterior of the Sunoco Service Station and Canopy changing into a convenient store and gas station. Mr. Saunders questioned if the apron was being addressed. Mr. Mallis felt Mr. Beverly was aware of the situation.

The roll was called. Vote – Yeas: Koci, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Rhoades. Nays: None. Motion carried unanimously.

**Motion made by Saunders seconded by Rhoades to accept the Planning Commission's recommendation of March 5, 2019 regarding Yolanda Lewis, 7110 Chestnut Drive, Walton Hills owner Michael Shore who was proposing to open a Beauty Salon located at 794 Broadway Avenue (§1937.03) (B-2 District)**

The roll was called. Vote – Yeas: Koci, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Rhoades. Nays: None. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Koci said that concluded the business portion of the meeting and asked if anyone in the audience had any comments.

Helen Briggs, 149 Grand Boulevard, thanked the Water Department for contacting her regarding the spike that was detected in their monthly water usage. She was pleased the plumber found and fixed the leak.

Kiara McCarroll, James McCarroll and Mabel Siemientkowski, 108 Nordham, explained the many issues they were experiencing with their landlord, Ekta Patel, [SENA, LLC], since December 2018.

They were unhappy with the Civil Action filed with Bedford Court. Since December 2018 their rent money has been placed in escrow until the violations were addressed and to date the violations had not been completed; however, they understood the landlord was going to get the money to pay the repair men upon completion.

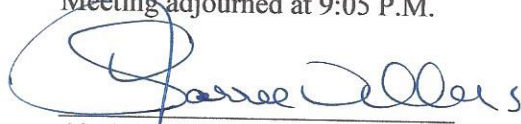
Since December 2018, Ms. McCarroll and Ms. Siemientkowski had talked to several City employees and couldn't understand why the process was taking so long. It was explained to them the process in which this type of situation took. The reason it had reached the Court was because the City could not get the landlord Ekta Patel to fix the violations. They were advised to deposit their rent with the Court to force the landlord to make the repairs. This was now a Civil lawsuit which the Judge would oversee/resolve; not the City.

Mr. Montello tried to explain the City understood their concerns but from what he was hearing it appeared there were no threats made so there was no legal grounds to file criminal charges. There were laws in place that had to be followed. Ms. McCarroll explained she was thinking of hiring an attorney for representation but she was unemployed plus she had heart issues and recently had a baby.

Jay Watson, 40 Berwyn, asked for clarification regarding the location of the Sunoco Station on Turney and Lee Road. The location was clarified and he had the Lee Road location confused.

Mayor Koci asked if there were any further comments. There being no reply, motion made by Fluharty seconded by Genutis to adjourn. The roll was called. Vote – Yeas: The roll was called. Vote – Yeas: Koci, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Rhoades. Nays: None. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 P.M.

  
Clerk of Council

  
Mayor - President of Council