

COUNCIL WORK SESSION
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2019

6:00 P.M. PROMPT

- DISCUSSION OF AGENDA
- DISCUSSION OF AMENDING CHAPTER 1315 "REGISTRATION OF FORECLOSED, FORFEITED, OR VACANT PROPERTIES" - Rhoades
- DISCUSSION OF AMENDING CHAPTER 1949 "SIGNS" - Rhoades
- EXECUTIVE SESSION
 - Personnel – Upcoming union matters
 - Economic Development
 - Litigation

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Bedford, Ohio

September 3, 2019

Bedford City Council met in a work session at Bedford City Hall on Monday, August 5, 2019 at 6:05 p.m.

Present: Council Members: Mayor Stan Koci, Sandy Spinks, Walter Genutis, Vic Fluharty, Paula Mizesak, Heather Rhoades, Don Saunders. Administration: City Manager Michael Mallis, Finance Director Frank Gambosi, Building Commissioner Calvin Beverly, Law Director John Montello, Clerk of Council Tracy Simons and Clerk of Council Pro Tem Michelle Hollo. Absent: None.

Mayor Koci began discussion of the Regular Council Meeting agenda.

Council had no changes to the minutes of the Work Session of August 5, 2019, the Regular Meeting of August 5, 2019, the Special Work Session of August 19, 2019.

Ordinance No. 9717-19 to appoint Tracy Simons as the new Clerk of Council.

Ordinance No. 9718-19 is amending Ordinance No. 9753-18 making additional appropriations

Ordinance No. 9719-19 is to purchase a 2019 Jeep from Paul Sherry Chrysler Dodge Jeep in the amount of \$23,704.50.

Ordinance No. 9720-19 is a contract with Independence Excavating for Wood Creek Bank Stabilization in the amount of \$641,141.00. City Manager Mallis state that they came in low for Wood Creek Bank. They are going to restabilize the wall and that they have lost 30-35 feet over the years. It gets approval from the EPA and the Army Corp of Engineers and this needs to be done tonight.

Ordinance Nos. 9721-19 and 9722-19 is to enter into a contract with J. Banker Landscaping for planting 100 trees for \$23,500.00 and a contract with various nurseries for the purchase of 100 trees for \$20,000.00. City Manager Mallis stated that these are to purchase and install 100 trees and once the grant is approved 50 trees will be planted in the fall and 50 trees will be planted in the spring. He also stated that 2007 was the last year there was any planting and that if the city doesn't get the grant there will be no trees. Rounds are being done and an inventory is being done and what has been done so far.

Resolution No. 2539-19 accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission. Mr. Gambosi stated that it is the same as last year and that there were no changes just that the street lighting is different.

Resolution No. 2540-19 authorizing a bridge inspection program. City Manager Mallis stated that the bridge is not owned by the city, and it is owned and operated by the state and no pricing.

Resolution No. 2541-19 authorizing the purchase agreement with Barrett Benefit Group. City Manager Mallis stated that it wants to stay in the historical Mr. Gee's building but it is not fit for parking and that the bar is gone and they want to bring in offices. The two parcels will be consolidated in to one and the buyer is fine with that.

Resolution No. 2542-19 is to authorize the Municipal Agency Agreement with CCLR. There were no objections.

Resolution No. 2543-19 authorizing Demolition Overage Agreement with Bedford City School District. City Manager Mallis stated that this is a demo agreement with the City School District and it is for the demolition of the school buildings and put into a bid document. Also, that the city and the schools have to spend the money by the end of the year or the money will go back. The School Superintendent stated

that they are in favor and that the board voted to demolish the schools and that this was the way to go and that it would cost \$8 Million to renovate them. The Board passed a resolution back in May. To refurbish it would cost \$30 Million and to rebuild \$24 Million. They are also looking to run four building not six buildings and to use the money for OFC. In the first agreement with the landbank the city will act as a pass through from the school to the landbank. We would get money to rebuild then to renovate. There is no intent to the tax payers and they will not have to go to the people. They are ready to put it out for bid.

Resolution No. 2544-19 supporting Global Cleveland Welcoming Week. This is to welcome immigrants to the city.

Motion to accept the recommendation of the TIRC meeting of July 25, 2019. Mr. Gambosi stated to go back and re-do the contracts and change to what is reflected. Now the agreements are written to change the amounts and the percentages not the years.

Discussion of the Regular Meeting agenda was concluded.

Mayor Koci began discussion of amending Chapter 1315 "Registration of Foreclosed, Forfeited, or Vacant Properties." Councilwoman Rhoades stated that meaning of vacant was vague and to make it look a little more punitive. If the property is empty for more than a year it would have to be reported to the city and that it would be for all of Bedford. That vacant property can bring in crime and an empty building makes more money. It is being presented as a safety issue and the commercial part needs more refinement and that the registry made a public record. Years ago, it was centered more toward commercial businesses and in the new one to have the ability for a waiver. They can come in and fill out a waiver, who ever is the owner or Power of Attorney would be required to register and if they don't register then that's where the fines will come in

Discussion of the amending Chapter 1315 "Registration of Foreclosed, Forfeited, or Vacant Properties" was concluded.

Mayor Koci began discussion of amending Chapter 1949 "Signs." Councilwoman Rhoades stated that the current sign ordinance is unenforceable and it needs to be updated. The current ordinance comes up in court and it is not being enforced and it also has loop holes. Aurora covered what we liked and does Council want to be more comprehensive or streamline, more streamline then definitions are more appropriate.

Discussion of the amending Chapter 1949 "Signs" was concluded.

Motion made by Spinks and seconded by Fluharty to go into an Executive Session to discuss personnel – Upcoming Union Matters, economic development and litigation. The roll was called. Vote – Yeas: Saunders, Rhoades, Spinks, Koci, Mizesak, Genutis, Fluharty. Nays: None. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Rhoades and seconded by Mizesak to adjourn Executive Session. The roll was called. Vote – Yeas: Saunders, Rhoades, Spinks, Koci, Mizesak, Genutis, Fluharty. Nays: None. Motion carried unanimously.

Executive Session adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Work Session adjourned at 8:02 p.m.


Clerk of Council


Mayor – President of Council

REGULAR MEETING

**BEDFORD CITY COUNCIL
STATE OF OHIO
COUNTY OF CUYAHOGA**

DATE: September 3, 2019

AGENDA

TIME: 8:00 P.M.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

3. **ROLL CALL**

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- a. Approval of Minutes of the Work Session of August 5, 2019
- b. Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 5, 2019
- c. Approval of Minutes of the Special Work Session of August 19, 2019

5. **SWEARING IN CEREMONIES**

- a. Ordinance No. 9717-19, appointing Tracy Simons Clerk of Council
- b. Swearing in Tracy Simons as Clerk of Council for the City of Bedford
- c. Swearing in Sean Allred as Sergeant for the Bedford Police Department
- d. Swearing in Vincent Lavallee as Patrolman for the Bedford Police Department
- e. Swearing in Brandon Peltz as Patrolman for the Bedford Police Department

6. **REPORTS**

- a. City Manager
- b. Law Director
- c. Finance Director
- d. Council Reports

7. **NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Ordinance No. 9718-19 amending Ordinance No. 9653-18 making additional appropriations
- b. Ordinance No. 9719-19 purchase of 2019 Jeep from Paul Sherry Chrysler Dodge Jeep (\$23,704.50)
- c. Ordinance No. 9720-19 contract with Independence Excavating for Wood Creek Bank Stabilization (\$641,141.00)
- d. Ordinance No. 9721-19 contract with J. Barker Landscaping for planting of 100 trees (\$23,500.00)
- e. Ordinance No. 9722-19 contract with various nurseries for the purchase of 100 trees (\$20,000.00)
- f. Resolution No. 2539-19 accepting amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission
- g. Resolution No. 2540-19 authorize bridge inspection program services
- h. Resolution No. 2541-19 authorize purchase agreement with Barrett Benefit Group
- i. Resolution No. 2542-19 authorize Municipal Agency Agreement with CCLRC
- j. Resolution No. 2543-19 authorize Demolition Overage Agreement with Bedford City School District
- k. Resolution No. 2544-19 supporting Global Cleveland Welcoming Week
- l. Motion to accept the recommendation of the TIRC meeting of July 25, 2019

8. **HEARING OF CITIZENS**

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

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Bedford, Ohio

September 3, 2019

Bedford City Council met in regular session at Bedford City Hall on Monday, September 3, 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: Spinks, Koci, Mizesak, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Rhoades. Absent: None.

Motion made by Mizesak and seconded by Rhoades to approve the minutes of the Work Session of August 5, 2019. The roll was called. Vote – Yeas: Spinks, Koci, Mizesak, Genutis, Fluharty Saunders, Rhoades. Nays: None. Abstain: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Spinks and seconded by Fluharty to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 5, 2019. The roll was called. Vote – Yeas: Spinks, Koci, Mizesak, Genutis, Fluharty Saunders, Rhoades. Nays: None. Abstain: None. Motion carried.

Motion made by Rhoades and seconded by Mizesak to approve the minutes of the Special Work Session of August 19, 2019. The roll was called. Vote – Yeas: Spinks, Koci, Mizesak, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Rhoades. Nays: None. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Koci stated that they are appointing their new Clerk of Council Tracy Simons and we welcome her to the City of Bedford and we are happy to have her here.

ORDINANCE NO. 9717-19 an ordinance appointing Tracy Simons Clerk of Council of the City of Bedford effective September 3, 2019 and declaring an emergency was read by title only. Motion made by Spinks and seconded by Fluharty to suspend the rule requiring the reading of said ordinance on three different days. The roll was called. Vote – Yeas: Spinks, Koci, Mizesak, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Rhoades. Nays: None. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mizesak and seconded by Rhoades to place Ordinance No. 9717-19 on third and final reading and passed.

Mayor Koci stated that Tracy is our new Clerk. We did an exhausted search for a new clerk and she rose to the top of the group and we are pleased to have her here and I think that she will be a great addition to our team.

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

At this time Mayor Koci performed a Swearing Ceremony for Tracy Simons Clerk of Council, Sergeant Sean Alfred to the Police Department, Patrolman Vincent Lavallo to the Police Department, and Patrolman Brandon Peltz to the Police Department.

Police Chief Stemple welcomed the two new Patrolmen. They went through a very long process to get hired and made it thus far so far. Now they have a hard job ahead of them and they just got with their field training officers and they will be put through the ringer for the next couple of months. He welcomed them and wished them the best of luck. He also stated some words of wisdom that were passed on to him and he stated “Be true to yourself, true to your families, true to the department, and always honor the badge.”

Member of the audience stated that as citizens we should congratulate the city for hiring these great fellas and that the city should be very acceptable of all the things that they will do for us and have done for those citizens of the city. Thank you.

Mayor Koci thanked the residents for the comment.

Police Chief Stemple stated that these two new officers finally put them at full strength in the Police Department. They do have one officer out on leave and these two guys in training, but once everybody is back they will be at full strength and no more hiring any time soon.

Mayor Koci stated that they are quite proud off all their officers and all of their city employees. They do great job day in and day out, without a lot of fan-fair. For that appreciate what they do, we appreciate the leadership roll that Shaun is going to have and the addition of the two new officers. It's always a good day when we can do things like this. Chief keep after them. He also stated that they are now streaming live so everyone can watch at home at bedfordoh.gov and click on YouTube. It is a big moment in the history of Bedford we are now live and people can watch at home. He also stated that they hope that people still come here and that they don't want everybody watching at home, because they don't want to talk to an empty audience. We appreciate the technology and all the stuff that we have now a days and what they can do, and this to get out there and reach more of our citizens in a timely fashion. Mayor Koci also thinks that it is a good thing.

City Manager Michael Mallis reported a quick congratulations to Shaun on his promotion and he also welcome Tracy, Vince and Brandon and that they are all going to do wonderful things here and be an asset to our team. He reminded everyone that we are doing our second shred day of the year which will be on September 14th out in the parking lot of City Hall. It will be funded through a grant. We are also moving forward with our camera initiative, which is a pilot program. And if you recall the Auto Mile is completely funding those cameras and they are in the process of being installed throughout areas of Rockside Rd. and Broadway Rd. They will be directly fed to our cruisers and the station. If there are any calls that come in we can access for enhanced security. Our goal is to have more than half up by the end of this week and the remaining should be up over the next couple of weeks. That couldn't have been done without the generous donation of the auto dealers, so once again thank you to them. We are working to press Dominion and their contractors on a couple of areas in town. They do have a project that they want to look to begin and it should be short project as far as a main gas line replacement on William. Although the city is not granting them permission to start that yet. He also stated that they have identified a couple of different areas along Washington Street and Graham Boulevard, where they have previously done a replacement project. Some of that work is not completed. It is not completed to our standards, so we are trying to push them to get those things addressed before they can begin the next phase. So, any residents that are concerned we do work off of a punch list that contractors have been given a punch list and we are going to stay on that before they can continue in another areas of town. He also mentioned that our chipper service runs through October. It is the first two weeks of the month, so obviously we have this week. If you have any debris that you need to get out and you need that service contact the Service Department and we will get you on the list and get out there and collect it. We will also be out the first full week of October, after that we will not be utilizing that the service, which is similar to the years passed, will then at that point be into the leaf season. He stated that there is an update on the Villa Project up at Sam Bernardino, the Building Department did meet with the project manager and the contractor and they indicated that they intend to start work in the next fifteen days. That should be back up and running and as far as the construction is concerned he stated that they have at least six more months' worth of work to complete that whole project. So, there is some time that is still going to take to get that wrapped up. He is sure that everybody has seen the progress up on Northfield and Rockside Mazda is moving very quickly. The walls are up and they are progressing. They have a tight timeline but it looks as if they are going to be very close to meeting that and that is a good thing for our town and that area in general. There have been some concerns and that he knows that Councilwoman

Spinks has sent those over the weekend and very helpful photos as far as some of the truck parking on the other side of Meadowbrook. He stated that they've sent notices out to all of the property owners up there that obviously we can't ticket that because it is on private property. But we installed temporary signage in the right-a-ways on both Northfield and Rockside that obviously we don't allow overnight parking and truck parking. But the property owners need to take initiative as far as getting those towed and they have not. We've gotten minimal co-operation up there and we've sent notices and we are getting very close to issuing citations to those property owners. We are aware of that and your Council Members are aware that they are out there and they are taking photos and we are hopefully going to get that addressed. Unfortunately, it may take some citations to be issued, but we are not allowing that to be a truck stop. There are a couple of demolitions that we still have to finish by the end of the year that were included in our grant that we applied for through Cuyahoga County. We have property on West Glendale and we have two properties on Columbus, Henry and at a couple other locations. As far as the delay we are working with the landbank and they are going to be the ones administering those demolitions. They like to bundle all of those together and then they bid it out all at once. We are waiting on one more final title work to come back on one of the properties and then we will send it over and they will give us a quick timeline. They will take place this year and once we get the timeline we will fill Council in and the residents as well. He stated lastly that last year the city was successful in receiving a grant through NOPEC for energy improvements and the grant was just under \$50,000.00 maybe it was about \$48,000.00 and we are choosing to escrow those funds, which is an option for us. And those will stay in escrow until 2020. The reason is we are going to be awarded another grant for the similar amount of money in 2020 and that there a number of different improvements that we are looking at for instance with our Municipal Buildings. If its lighting with the Service Department, believe it or not we have water heaters for this facility and we are approaching 15+ years and they are showing ware and they can be more efficient. What we are looking to do is we had a contractor come in and do an extensive energy audit with all of our Municipal Buildings and basically, they lay out and say these are improvements that you can make. This is the money that you are going to save as far as in utilities and this is about the pay back on what it would be as far as making the investment on the improvement, and when you'll save and get your money back. Our goal is to utilize the two NOPEC Grants, which would be about \$100,000.00, plus some potential other money to do a significant energy project at the end of this year beginning of next year. Most of that will be funded through grant money, so that is the reason we are escrowing this year's grant reward. It's to leverage it for more money that we are able to get in 2020 and kudos to Jen Kuzma who put those grants together and obviously Frank who helps manage those funds, so well done on that.

That concluded the City Managers report.

Assistant Law Director Blair Melling stated that this is his annual visit and he apologized for John not being at the meeting. He also stated that he was glad to hear that they are now televised and stole a line from television "I did wear my second-best tie." He also stated that him and John are going to continue to lobby to have our new Clerk of Council read the headings for all the legislation hence forth into the future.

That concluded the Assistant Law Director's report.

Finance Director Frank Gambosi congratulated Mrs. Simons and welcomed her to the City of Bedford. It will be great working with her over the next few years. Also inline with what Civil Service did with our testing we had some great candidates that came off of our list. It wasn't that many but it was some great quality patrolmen with Vincent and Brandon and with Shaun congratulations to him he did a very exceptional job on Sergeant Promotional Exam and kudos to all of them. He stated that he had a few ordinances that he will be talking about later so he did not give a report this evening.

That concluded that Finance Director's report.

Councilwoman Spinks welcomed Mrs. Simons and that they are excited to have her with them and they look forward to years to come. Congratulations to all of our officers and to Shaun being promoted and

our new officers. It is always exciting and she is a proud mother of a Police Officer in Lockhart, Texas and that she always likes to see that and that they look really young and they will stay around for a while. She also stated to Mike that the camper is gone from the truck stop. The so-called truck-stop up there and there was a camper where the trucks were parking up there at the old Target. The truckers thought that we'll just bring in a camper too. She knows that it's Mr. Genutis's ward but she goes by there all the time and she gets a lot of complaints about it and thanks for helping that and it's sad that the city with it being private property that there isn't much that we can do. The truckers seem to be taking more advantage of the situation, because there are more and more trucks there every day and it doesn't look good. If we could tax them and she did state that she asked Mr. Gambosi if there is some way that we could tax them for parking there and he agreed with her. She asked Mr. Mallis if the chipper is going to be out for one more month?

City Manager Mallis replied for September and October.

Councilwoman Spinks replied for two more months, because she had a couple of residents asking about it. She reminded that if trash pick-up is on Wednesday's it will be picked up until Thursday or whatever day that it is delayed a day because of the holiday. She stated the cool things that are happening next weekend and that there are some cool things happening this weekend and she will let Mrs. Rhoades talk about what is coming up this Friday and she is excited about that. But next weekend is the Celebration of Art and it is on the September 13th, 14th, and 15th. On the 13th it is Circ de Bedford and if you have ever seen Circ de Sol Le performance it is going to be very similar to that and there will be three acrobats and it will be a fun filled evening and it will be down town in Bedford Commons. They have a great big event tent and they extended the tickets and the last day to purchase them will be this Friday. They were until last Friday but she extended them a little bit and the money goes to the Bedford Historical Society. She stated that it is a very important event, because we have three buildings that she is the Vice President of Historical Society and she is very proud to be, and they have those three buildings. They have the museum, the old church, and the Dunham House. She stated that it takes a lot of money to keep those very precious gems of our city up and running. If a window breaks they can't just go out and buy a window at Home Depot or any place like that, they have to have a special person come in and put it in. There is a lot of stuff that goes into that, so these little events like the Strawberry Festival and the Celebration of Art are very important. She stated that a few people have complained about the ticket being \$50.00 and she stated that if you think about it \$50.00 for a spectacular show and food to save these beautiful buildings it doesn't sound like much to her. She then continued to come out on the weekend and that it is free and they have all kinds of things and it starts at 11:00 a.m. till 9:00 p.m. They have German music and this year they are doing something a little bit different and it has always been a dream of hers to make an International Festival and this year it's international. They have a Germany Representative, Czech, Spain, Mexico, Polish so it will be a fun filled weekend. She also stated that Seth who was with them a couple of years ago, was diagnosed with Autism at 21 months and at 18 years old his mother was told that her son was non-functional and he would never be able to push a mop. She was not going to accept that so she put him into Cleveland Art Museum and they offer classes for kids and she enrolled him in art class. To this day he is 36 years old and he travels all over the world and he just got back from Europe and he has people from all over the place they sponsor him and they put him up. He is just amazing and is his mother. He has seventeen books and is being sponsored by Nature Stone. He will be at Nature Stone on Saturday, September 14th from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. If you get a chance please stop by and see this amazing young man and his mom. The books are only \$10.00 and they are simply amazing. Come support this great act.

Councilwoman Mizesak she stated that it was nice to see everybody here and there is somebody missing tonight and it was Mel Cook from their Colony Club Development. She gave a quick update as to the Colony Club Clubs concerns and they have many concerns so there were a few residents here for a couple of the meetings so they could voice their concerns and we are trying to have a remedy for them. She stated that what it boils down to is that it is a private enterprise. The apartments and even though they are

in Ward 4 there are 581 renters in Colony Club 1 & 2 portion of the apartments in Ward 4. She stated that people were requesting in being treated fairly and as of today's date everything seems to be the way that it is supposed to be. People who are residents are supposed take their concerns to the office or management level, which they are trying to accommodate them with talking to upper level management that own the apartments, because now they are owned by a group out of Michigan and they come down once in a while, so it's just a personal one-on-one for everybody and that's probably why they are not here tonight. Her other thing is to congratulate the officers, well deserved and we can put our minds at ease a little bit more knowing that there are going to be more officers on the road for us. She also congratulated Patrolman Shaun for becoming a Sergeant on the force. She stated that she was going to ask the City Manager a couple of questions and she continued to stated that he did mention shred day and she believes the hours of the shredding at the parking lot will be from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on September 14th. She asked if there was a time frame for the original gas station was in Bedford?

City Manager Mallis replied that they do not have a timeline on that.

Councilwoman Mizesak stated that it seems like they are at a stand still right now and that nothing is really going on. She also stated that she had a question about the Meadowbrook parking lot for these people that pull-in and leave and nobody is doing anything about it, but we are trying to do our best to accommodate our residents and to clean that area up over there. The other question that she had was that a few of the utility companies are offering new insurance plans as far as your air conditioning and furnace, and water heater is there a specific requirement as to how we dispose of the water heaters or if they have to have permits when they are going to have it redone in a person's home?

City Manager Mallis replied that they would be required to get a permit by a registered contractor to do that when you are dealing with gas and things like that for safety concerns.

Councilwoman Mizesak stated that now school has started she is asking all the residents to be aware of who in your neighborhood gets on the school bus and to get on safely. If you are up and about to see who is going on the bus, because at one time when their kids were growing up they kind of knew who was going on the bus and who was getting off and what time the bus was going to be there and everything. She stated to do a little extra investigating or curiosity, because they do want their kids to be safe at all time and know that they are going to school and not somewhere else. She stated that there have been to many things going on with young kids and they don't want to see anybody to not be with their parents or family.

Councilman Genutis congratulated all of the new members of the City of Bedford, Tracy, the Police Officers and the promotion to Shaun. It is wonderful, a good thing, and people are happy for that. He stated that they have a resolution that will be coming up shortly supporting Global Cleveland Welcoming Week and he did not know how much of an explanation it would get but it says in the resolution that it is about supporting Global Cleveland. It is an organization in Cleveland to support the "Welcoming the World Campaign," which is a fun way to showcase Cleveland and the surrounding area as globally friendly cities. So, this is about welcoming immigrants and it goes on to say "Whereas, Ohio has thrived because of international newcomers," which I believe is so. He then stated that it also goes on to say that "the spending power of refugees and immigrants are in the billions, which significantly out weighs the cost public services they incur." He continued to state that he is one of 50 Million people right now collecting Social Security and with an aging work force he welcomes the influx of new workers and he thinks it is vital to our country and he is in support of the resolution. He stated that a question about the trucks and he continued to state that there's a time when the Police Department was making efforts to ticket the drivers and we were told that it was too much of an effort for the Police Department to locate the drivers, because they left the trucks behind. He then stated that he was unclear on it because they are allowed to ticket those truck drivers because they parking illegally even though they are parking on private property is that correct? Because previously they tried to ticket those drivers and it was too difficult to track down

those drivers and the companies were owned and the trucks were owned by big trucking companies, so this was a difficulty on apart of the Police Department explain it to us.

City Manager Mallis stated correct and that's accurate and we've sent our officers up there and I've gone up there on the weekends and advised people that they are unable to park here. A lot of those are out of state drivers and there are some located here and we did look at that in the very beginning. Some of the issues are that some of those trucks are parked there for four days and they are not there, so what do you do next? He then stated that we are unable to tow vehicles that are on private property. One of the owners has put up new signage and there is signage on both sides of Meadowbrook and there have been signs for years that it is private property and they are unable to park their overnight. Some specifics along those lines. He continued to state that one of the property owners has since partnered with one of the local towing companies and erected new signs and they have also hired an individual to go up there. He can tell you that one of the individual's wife was up there and tagged about 25 vehicles with florescent orange notices saying that "This is private property and there is no overnight truck parking." Unfortunately, when there is one it leads to three and then to six. There were a lot and he had a couple of pictures from over the weekend and it was packed and our Police Department knew it. He continued to state that the issue is the property owners and all of the property owners. He continued to state that on the one side of the street they've addressed it for the most part and there is no overnight truck parking taking place in the Wal-Mart parking lot and over by the BMV. On the other side of the street he believes that there are three separate property owners and we've sent notices to each one of them. Only one of the property owners has tried. The one that got orange stickers and posted them on the trucks and cars. They haven't gotten a whole lot of cooperation from the other two.

Councilman Genutis stated that if one of those semitrucks pulled into my front yard and parked in my front yard it seems incomprehensible to me that it would be my responsibility to have that truck towed out of my property. And then he would potentially get sited from the City of Bedford for not having it towed out. He can't understand how this could be if one of the semitrucks pulled into the Sunoco Gas Station on the corner of Taft and Northfield and parked there and the owner of that property calls the police and says that there is a semitruck parked here and I don't want it here that it would be the responsibility of him to have it towed and he would be liable to get cited if he didn't have it towed.

City Manager Mallis stated that we are not allowed to order a vehicle towed on private property. A perfect example is where we tore down a house last year and there were two abandoned vehicles there. We can't just arbitrarily go and tow them even though we know the house is going to be demolished. One we have to run the records and then we actually have to work with the court to get those issued and declared abandoned vehicles. Then we go ahead and we contract with a towing company to have them towed and they go after to try are recoup money or they keep the car. Because of private property we can't order vehicles to be towed off of that.

Councilman Genutis replied from private property.

City Manager Mallis stated that we are not able to do so.

Councilman Genutis asked even with the property owner's consent?

City Manager Mallis stated that is different.

Councilman Genutis stated that the owners have made it clear that they don't want the trucks parking there and they park there illegally.

City Manager Mallis replied that it's one thing to say okay you go ahead and do it but who's going to incur some of those costs? He stated that he thinks it wouldn't be fair for the city to incur some of those costs.

Councilman Genutis stated that if we towed some of those trucks they wouldn't be parking there anymore. He also stated that you don't have to tow them that you could put wheel block on them that says call the Bedford Police if you want this wheel block taken off and you don't even have to tow them. He then stated that it seems incomprehensible to him that you expect to site the property owners now that the trucks are parking illegally.

City Manager Mallis stated that the property owners are not doing anything to help us with this. We've gone up there and we've had patrols up there to try and notify individuals. We've erected temporary signage on our right-of-way that clear states and we did it on Northfield and Rockside and one out of the three property owners did put new signs up. Because some of the other signs have faded and all we are looking is that we are running out of and we can't do and I understand your points and they are good points but at the same time he also thinks it's incomprehensible when we have five patrol vehicles on patrol and sometimes six in the evening to stick two officers up there. He then stated that we would have had cruisers up there all weekend trying to order tows and that is a drain on our resources. We are just looking for some cooperation and that is what we are trying to do. He stated that he personally sent three messages and two emails and one letter and he didn't even get a phone call.

Councilman Genutis stated that he doesn't want to beat a dead horse here but that it just seems incomprehensible to him that the police will not take action for illegal parking just because it's private property and the property owner doesn't want it there.

Councilman Fluharty welcomed Mrs. Simons as the new addition to our team here and he also congratulated the new officers that are now on our force. He stated that he didn't see anyone from Union Street because they can't get out and that there is a big problem over there and that he was over there today and it is a mess. He also stated that he felt sorry for them and he tries to ease their pain a little by letting them know that sooner or later it will get done and we will have a new road and they will forget about it hopefully. He asked the City Manager when the sidewalk replacement program is supposed to start.

City Manager Mallis replied that letters went out and we have identified those streets and the three streets that he believes to be are: Carol, Melba, and Mitchell. They are going to exhaust a lot of those funds. We actually passed legislation at the last meeting and the walks were identified and he would imagine that it is very soon. He then stated that he doesn't have a specific start date on it but it will be very soon. He stated that he would try and get the dates for Councilman Fluharty and they will try and put something out there. He knows that they sent the letters out and they are probably waiting on feed back to see who is going to try and piggy back on that to try and do more.

Councilman Saunders stated that everybody has given their congratulations to the new employee's and that he won't list specifics just in general. He stated that he had a couple of questions and first he thanked the city for taking down the trees on Ennis it became a hazard and it was hollow. The sycamore tree had out lived its life span, but at the same time we have the one at the end of Ennis right on Nordham and he was at the property owner's house today and he asked me that since it's such a smaller tree and the bark is now cracking whether he could take it down because he could use it as firewood. Mr. Saunders stated that there is liability because it is a tree lawn tree but it is only eight inches around in diameter and it's not a big tree but it's going to fall over eventually.

City Manager Mallis replied that he will have our arborist take a look at it.

Councilman Saunders stated that it's been dead for a couple of years now. He just thought that he would suggest because the property owner did say that he would be more than happy to take it out of there. He thanked for taking the tree down on Ennis and that we've got one heck of a lot of a trees', especially with the ash, and we've been making head way on some of them to some degree. He also stated that later in our ordinances we are hoping to get a grant this week from the County that will allow us to replace 100 trees, so some of our streets have become really bare looking. One if you go down Blaine the only two trees' there that the hospital has in front of their building the rest of the street is gone. We've got several streets that have ended up that way because we planted when the Dutch Elms went and we put all Ash up. He continued to state that it was a mistake because you never replant with a total one species, because it could get wiped out again, so hopefully when we plant our new ones that we put several different species on the street. He stated that as far as the trucks that are at Meadowbrook he will let us know that right now Summit County's towing ordinance is being questioned on its constitutionality and it looks like you are going to have a court order before you tow anything. Not just trucks but cars also, so this is a touchy subject. If we can get the property owners to do rather than the city it certainly would save some time and effort, but there are people who are questioning the constitutionality right now with towing junk and abandoned vehicles, and serviceable ones.

Councilman Genutis questioned would it count for the property owner as well? Should the property owner attempt to tow it also?

Councilman Saunders replied that to play it safe he would get a court order from the looks of it. That is how it's playing out right now, because everything in Summit County is on hold for towing anything at the moment because of that. He then asked when they are going to wrap up Center Road, because they did such a cheap job on that road to begin with that all they did was grind and resurface it. They didn't even do the radius turnouts at the intersections, which are going to come back to haunt them at a later date, because that old pavement butting up against the main line is where the deterioration will start for the next bunch. He continued to state that it was a very nice riding surface but they didn't do any base repair, they just ground it off and overlaid it. So, for having federal money for that job you would have thought that they would have done a better job in Bedford, but I guess not. Hopefully it gets opened up here soon, because people are still going the wrong direction in a lot of cases and he hated to say that he did once himself because he came to City Hall from Ennis. He stated that there wasn't anything in the road and it is quite an inconvenience. He also stated that school has started and at the school bus stops people aren't exactly paying attention to the school busses and as the same thing happens every year when school start and when it lets out kids are walking in the street, especially after school. He continued to state that when school starts, the first couple of weeks we try to keep the kids on the sidewalks. Hopefully we can get some special attention on that again. He continued to state that when you are coming from the high school and heading towards Berwyn, Nordham and Ennis the kids are always in the streets and they refuse to move for cars and that is not a good thing. Hopefully we can get a little bit of attention in that. The last thing that he stated is that if Kimble having a problem with the number of vehicles that they have for garbage trucks? He continued to state that every week there's a street or two that seems to get pushed to the next day for pick-up. Even his street a couple of weeks ago wasn't picked up until the day after the trash pick-up. They seem to be either short on vehicles or they are not working as efficiently. It's not like its winter when it's bad whether when you expect them to be slow, but something is up with them.

City Manager Mallis stated that they were not aware of any delays but Clint and Shaun did recently meet with Kimble regarding some other concerns and he thinks that might have been one of them, but they did meet with them. They met with them with other representatives from our consortium that they work with.

Councilman Saunders stated that they did take down some wires on the street when they emptied their front bucket into the trash. They are supposed to back out into an open area before they do that and one

truck just went and ripped them all down. He stated that he didn't know if they were new drivers or if they don't know the routes, or what's going on but there are some concerns with their trash pick-up.

Councilwoman Rhoades thanked everyone for attending. She congratulated everyone and that she is glad to have them here. She informed everyone that the Garden Club is doing their annual mum sale and if you are not aware the official flower of Bedford is the azalea mum, specifically the pink azalea mum, so in order to promote our official flower the Garden Club puts on this annual mum sale. Mums go for \$5.00 a piece and they are \$4.50 for club members. If you would like to become a club member the cost is \$10.00 and you can put them in the front of your house and show off your Bedford pride. If you would like to buy one you can either visit the Garden Club website at bedfordgardenclub.com or you can call Councilwoman Rhoades at (440)227-3620 to order some. She also informed and invited everyone to their First Friday event that is this Friday and they are very excited about it and it is in conjunction with the City of Bedford and you might recall that the First Friday is put on by the Bedford Downtown Alliance and their goal is to help revitalize our downtown area and the City of Bedford is joining with us this First Friday to put on a showing "The Wizard of Oz." This is the 80th anniversary of "The Wizard of Oz" so prior to showing the movie they will have music and a chalk art festival. You can come down with the kids or by yourself to get some chalk and draw some pictures. They will have prizes for the best chalk art that they see. She then stated that once it is dark enough they will put up an inflatable screen on the gazebo to watch "The Wizard of Oz." She hopes that everyone comes down to join and as always, the Bedford Downtown Alliance is always looking for new volunteers and they are always glad to see new ones show up at their Stake Holders Meeting, which is the forth Wednesday of the month. If you are interested in helping out the local community please feel free to join. She continued to stated that if there are any questions or you want to find out more you can always give her a call and again the number is (440)227-3620 or you can email at heather@bedfordward5.com.

Mayor Koci stated that he is happy to see the Mazda building up there now and finally we have something in that intersection that is positive and moving along and it should be a sign of more things to come up in that area. Thanks to the Mazda guys for starting that.

ORDINANCE NO. 9718-19, an ordinance amending Ordinance No. 9653-18 making additional appropriations for current expenditures of the City of Bedford, Ohio during the year 2019 and declaring and emergency was read by title only. Motion made by Spinks and seconded by Genutis to suspend the rule requiring the reading of said ordinance on three different days. The roll was called. Vote – Yeas: Spinks, Koci, Mizensak, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Rhoades. Nays: None. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mizensak and seconded by Rhoades to place Ordinance No. 9718-19 on third and final reading and passed.

Mr. Gambosi stated that this ordinance is a clean up ordinance and we have a few items on there and the Building Department is going to have a software program that they are going need to upgrade to so they can be in compliance with our Windows upgrades. He also stated that we have some smaller grant fund but also on the major purchases we have our ambulance and Capital Outlay of \$273,000.00 and also our fire truck is appropriated today as well as our water rate study. He stated in the Water Fund we have a Tinker's Creek Waterline, which is a project that will be starting also. And the large one that we have is the Waste Water Fund that we have a stabilization at Wood Creek, where we did obtain the Ohio Water Development Authority loan for \$805,400.00 at 2.1% over 20 years. We will be starting those projects short and he asks Council to appropriate the funds for allowing those projects to commence.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 9719-19, an ordinance authorizing the purchase of one (1) 2019 Jeep Cherokee from Paul Sherry Chrysler Dodge Jeep ("Sherry") and declaring an emergency was read by title only. Motion made by Saunders and seconded by Rhoades to suspend the rule requiring the reading of said ordinance on three different days. The roll was called. Vote – Yeas: Spinks, Koci, Mizesak, Fluharty, Saunders, Rhoades. Nays: Genutis. Motion carried.

Motion made by Fluharty and seconded by Spinks to place Ordinance No. 9719-19 on third and final reading and passed.

City Manager Mallis stated that this is a vehicle for the Police Department and the \$23,704.50 is the State Bid price.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 9720-19, an ordinance authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract with Independence Excavating, Inc. for the Wood Creek Bank Stabilization being the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder, and declaring an emergency was read by title only. Motion made by Saunders and seconded by Mizesak to suspend the rule requiring the reading of said ordinance on three different days. The roll was called. Vote – Yeas: Spinks, Koci, Mizesak, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Rhoades. Nays: None. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Spinks and seconded by Genutis to place Ordinance No. 9720-19 on third and final reading and passed.

City Manager Mallis stated that if you recall this was a project near the Wastewater Treatment Facility where the creek bank had eroded over time and obviously it began to erode very, very quickly and it was encroaching on a main trunk line that fed the plant. It was something that we needed to do immediately. We did apply for funding through the OWDA, which was a low interest loan for 20 years at 2.1%, which is an outstanding rate. He stated that will fund the project and the \$641,000.00 and actually it is \$647,000.00 through Independence Excavating, Inc. Our engineer's estimate for this total project was \$735,000.00, so it did come in under and Independence was the low bid out the four companies that bid the project. He stated that they are a reputable company and are considered experts in stabilization of slopes and stream banks. He recommends that we move forward and award them this project so we can start on it immediately.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 9721-19, an ordinance authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract with J. Banker Landscaping for the planting of 100 trees in connection with Cuyahoga County Healthy Urban Tree Canopy Program Grant and declaring an emergency was read by title only. Motion made by Fluharty and seconded by Spinks to suspend the rule requiring the reading of said ordinance on three different days. The roll was called. Vote – Yeas: Spinks, Koci, Mizesak, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Rhoades. Nays: None. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Saunders and seconded by Mizesak to place Ordinance No. 9721-19 on third and final reading and passed.

City Manager Mallis said that this will kind of touch on the next two as indicated in the ordinance we applied for funding through Cuyahoga County just under \$50,000.00 and if you recall when we would take trees down we would replant and we did that annually. We stopped that program in 2007 obviously

for budget concerns. When this grant came out we looked at it and we had everything as far as our plans, studies, our maps as far as where we've taken trees out over the last ten years. We had everything ready to go ahead and apply and be ready to start planting this year. We are optimistic that we will be successful and the goal is having this on tonight will be for when we do get notified we can act quickly and we can purchase the trees, and thus start planting immediately. We've identified areas in Councilwoman Mizzsak's ward, Councilman Fluharty's ward, and I think that there are a couple other streets. Shaun Francis, Clint Bellar and Jennifer Kuzma put a lot of work into this, so again we're very optimistic and the plan is that we would begin immediately and plant 50 trees' this fall and then we would plant the remaining 50 trees' in the spring. Obviously, we will continue to apply for this funding every year that it is available.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 9722-19, an ordinance authorizing the City Manager to contract with various local nurseries for the purchase of 100 trees in connection with Cuyahoga County Healthy Urban Tree Canopy Program Grant and declaring an emergency was read by title only. Motion made by Rhoades and seconded by Saunders to suspend the rule requiring the reading of said ordinance on three different days. The roll was called. Vote – Yeas: Spinks, Koci, Mizzsak, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Rhoades. Nays: None. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Spinks and seconded by Genutis to place Ordinance No. 9722-19 on third and final reading and passed.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2539-19, a resolution accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the county auditor and declaring an emergency was read by title only. Motion made by Fluharty and seconded by Spinks to suspend the rule requiring the reading of said resolution on three different days. The roll was called. Vote – Yeas: Spinks, Koci, Mizzsak, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Rhoades. Nays: None. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Rhoades and seconded by Mizzsak to place Resolution No. 2539-19 on third and final reading and passed.

Mr. Gambosi stated that this resolution is the annual requirement from the city to establish the rate structure for the tax year 2019 to be collected in 2020. The millage that we here will be the same as we did for the previous years and he asks Council to approve this, this evening as we have to have this down by the County Auditor as soon as possible.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2540-19, a resolution enacted by the City of Bedford of Cuyahoga County, Ohio, hereinafter referred to as the Local Public Agency (LPA) was read by title only. Motion made by Spinks and seconded by Fluharty to suspend the rule requiring the reading of said resolution on three different days. The roll was called. Vote – Yeas: Spinks, Koci, Mizzsak, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Rhoades. Nays: None. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Saunders and seconded by Mizesak to place Resolution No. 2540-19 on third and final reading and passed.

City Manager Mallis stated that this will allow bridge inspection services to perform numerous inspections to bridges throughout Bedford. Union Street is one of them and the Union Street bridge, which we anticipate will be done in 2020. There are also others for instance Northfield Rd. bridge and the others. It includes routine inspections, element level inspections, critical finding reports, fracture critical members inspections, low grading calculations, and a number of other items. Obviously, this is important for maintenance, important for grant funding, and funding for either the city or the county would go after for necessary improvements.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2541-19, a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a purchase agreement with Barrett Benefit Group, LLC (“BBG”) for the purchase of Permanent Parcel Numbers (“PPN”) 812-07-004 and 812-07-003 and declaring an emergency was read by title only. Motion made by Saunders and seconded by Rhoades to suspend the rule requiring the reading of said resolution on three different days. The roll was called. Vote – Yeas: Spinks, Koci, Mizesak, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Rhoades. Nays: None. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Fluharty and seconded by Spinks to place Resolution No. 2541-19 on third and final reading and passed.

City Manager Mallis stated these two parcels that we’ve owned are on Broadway and they are adjacent to Mr. Gee’s property and it accents the parking area. We have been working with Barrett Benefit Group, which is a professional service and professional offices, they have 15-20 employees. They are looking to re-locate to Bedford. From economic development standpoint they would need these parcels for parking. We included in the purchase agreement a couple of different restrictions to protect the city. Obviously, to acquire the transaction on this building depends on this additional property. One of the things that they would need to do is immediately consolidate all three parcels into one and as I stated there are other restrictions included to protect the city. This brings a new business and good jobs into our downtown area and it will be a plus.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2542-19, a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a Municipal Agency Agreement for the St. Peter Chanel demolition with the Cuyahoga County Land Reutilization Corporation (“CCLRC”) and declaring an emergency was read by title only. Motion made by Rhoades and seconded by Saunders to suspend the rule requiring the reading of said resolution on three different days. The roll was called. Vote – Yeas: Spinks, Koci, Mizesak, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Rhoades. Nays: None. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Spinks and seconded by Fluharty to place Resolution No. 2542-19 on third and final reading and passed.

Mayor Koci asked City Manager Mallis to explain for the next one as well.

City Manager Mallis stated that the first one is a piece of legislation required and is a standard agreement between the Landbank and the municipalities that are working on a demolition project, where the grant amount is not enough to cover the entire demolition. What we are specifically talking about is the Chanel

property. The Landbank offered grants of \$100,000.00 per commercial structure. Ms. Kuzma and our office were able to write a grant to include \$300,000.00 to be earmarked for the Chanel property, should the schools choose to tear that down. She was able to break that facility down into three buildings, which is why we got \$300,000.00. Obviously, it's going to take more than \$300,000.00 to demolish that. This first piece of legislation is an agreement with the Landbank stating anything over the grant amount the City of Bedford would be responsible for. The very next piece of legislation is an agreement that we have with the Bedford City School District. They have since passed and discussed a similar contract at a past meeting. That agreement is basically the same agreement that we have with the Landbank but what it states is that once the Landbank tears the structure down they will submit a bill to the city for the overage, anything over \$300,000.00. The city will submit that bill to the schools. The schools have 60 days to pay the city the overage amount at which point we pay the landbank. The city is not fronting any money, but the way that program is worked through the landbank and the County only government entities are able to get the grant. So, we wrote the grant, we were successful, they allowed the schools to utilize it should they do so. These two agreements are too one the Landbank is being guaranteed that someone is paying the overage and the second legislation is us guaranteeing that the schools are going to cover that and not the city. I hope that I explained it and I know that it is complicated, but it's a good thing and hopefully they intend to move forward with that. He also added that this is the last year of demolition funds. The County does not intend to extend that program beyond 2019, so we are trying to utilize as much money as we can. If we were able to help the schools if they choose to do that, that was our immediate intent.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2543-19, a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a St. Peter Chanel demolition Overage Agreement with the Bedford City School District ("BCSD") and declaring an emergency was read by title only. Motion made by Spinks and seconded by Fluharty to suspend the rule requiring the reading of said resolution on three different days. The roll was called. Vote – Yeas: Spinks, Koci, Mizsak, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Rhoades. Nays: None. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Rhoades and seconded by Mizsak to place Resolution No. 2543-19 on third and final reading and passed.

Mayor Koci stated that we already had the explanation.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2544-19, a resolution recognizing, supporting, and commending Global Cleveland Welcoming Week and declaring an emergency was read by title only. Motion made by Genutis and seconded by Fluharty for acceptance. The roll was called. Vote – Yeas: Spinks, Koci, Mizsak, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Rhoades. Nays: None. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Saunders and seconded by Mizsak to place Resolution No. 2544-19 on third and final reading and passed.

Mayor Koci stated that Global Cleveland asked us to pass this resolution in support of Greater Cleveland for Global Cleveland Network and they are going to have a big function to welcome a lot of these foreign students and business people as they come to Cleveland to look for jobs and they bring with them a lot of money. They will fulfill a lot of jobs and there are a lot of stats in there like Mr. Genutis pointed out and the money that they bring in. These are people coming to our country the right way. They are coming in with proper visa's and that sort of thing and it's a good thing. They do add a lot to our economy, because as people are leaving greater Cleveland we need people to move in and take those jobs and move into the

homes, and help economy go. He also stated that they bring with them a lot of money and he's talked with the organization that is helping with this and these are some quality people coming in that are professionals, and they have degrees. Most of them have at least a bachelor's degree and most have a higher degree. It is really good for the city and it's gets them some people in here that are going to help stimulate our economy. This is to help Global Cleveland welcome them to the county.

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

Motion was made by Spinks and seconded by Genutis to accept the recommendation of TIRC meeting of July 25, 2019.

Mr. Gambosi stated that the Tax Incentive Review Council Meeting consists of members of the school system, the county, and the city. We met on July 25, 2019 and we reviewed the four abatement contracts that we have currently in place. Some were in compliance and some were not in compliance due to the way the contracts were written. We will be working with the Law Director, and perhaps the Assistant Law Director in regards to redoing the contracts for future reference. But as of today, he asked that Council accept the recommendations made by the TIRC on July 25th.

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

Mayor Koci said that before we get to hearing of the citizens he wanted to make two points. He thanked Mrs. Hollo for sitting and assisting Mrs. Simons on her first meeting here. He also pointed out that the Union Street construction is just a waterline. He stated that he knows a lot of the people in Walton Hills are going to be disappointed because we are not resurfacing the road. Once they get done there will be a nice new path where the water line went in, but the same old road is going to be there until next year. He stated that some people are getting excited that the road is getting done, but that is not until next year. He also stated that they didn't want to wait until next year to tear up the road when they just repaved it, that would be crazy, get the water line in and next year get it paved. He now stated that would conclude the business portion of the meeting and asked if anyone in the audience had any comments.

Tina Stadia, 51 Elm Street, Bedford OH

Ms. Stadia thank everyone for a good job. She stated that maybe it's because she is in Ward 6 but that she also has a problem with the garbage. She walks a lot in Bedford and she is finding that as the garbage is done and it is not so much with garbage trucks, but the people who are taking their cans and they are leaving the garbage that is there, and this is just basic when you are taking the cans pick up the garbage to go with it. Just do a little bit extra and she really isn't sure but she has picked it up, but she can't be picking up everyone's garbage that leaves it out. She then asked if there were any ideas on how we can help people want to take care of their property? She stated the same thing with Dollar General and Burger King that if they can get another garbage can, can we talk to the managers?

Councilwoman Rhoades replied that she has been speaking with City Manager Mallis on that they have some stuff in the works for those. She continued to state that with the other problem they have the Good Neighbor Guide that they are working on and maybe it is something they could put in there.

City Manager Mallis stated that they had a resident guide and then they had a Good Neighbor Guide that used to go out. He also stated that Ms. Hollo and a couple of staff members are in the process of working to update it. And it would go out with simple answers, expectations and things like that as a friendly piece that goes out to everybody and they are looking to redo that, and hopefully get it done and incorporate something like that.

Ms. Stadia stated that would be great. She then stated about commending or rewarding people who are doing improvements. Because it seems like if we can bolster it a little bit to make people want to care again, because Bedford can be so charming. She asked about if there was anything that we can do to help the Kiddie Campus make it look a little bit nicer, because it's really starting to look like we have a number of...

Councilwoman Rhoades stated that she believes that they have been cited.

City Manager Mallis replied that they were sent a notice and that he doesn't think that they were cited yet. He continued to state that they have a certain period of time to comply with improving some of those items. He can check on the date and he will get her a copy of what it was. But something did go out to them.

Ms. Stadia thanked everyone for being on it and way to go.

Mayor Koci stated that he did see people there with ladder's last week when he was over at Walgreen's, so hopefully they are painting or doing whatever they have to do.

Ms. Stadia stated about the truck parking and that it is by their school and that the school needs help and doesn't need a truck stop there. But if we don't have any consequences that we topically don't care, and that she didn't know if there are and obviously you can't cite it, but the wheel blocks sound like a good idea. Just anything where there is some type of consequence, because we all know how we are. She also stated about the Small Time Town Charm and all of the events they everybody puts on that are so awesome, and remember how we used to have the little banner, and you would drive through that had a small-town kind of charm at least she felt that it did, and it announced to people that Bedford always has something going on and they are kind of cool. She then asked why that stopped being hung?

Mayor Koci replied that they're going out.

Councilwoman Rhoades stated that the pride had theirs up.

Mayor Koci stated that the Pooka and the arts thing will be up next week.

Ms. Stadia asked if it was up for the Strawberry Festival? She then stated that she was focused on other things and that she was so sorry.

Mayor Koci stated that we have less festivals then we used to have. He also stated that the Lions along with the other groups the people are getting older and they can't get young people to come in and help them.

Ms. Stadia stated that they are trying to figure out what will bring the young people out and if we all work together.

Mayor Koci stated that it's not just the city that it's also a church or where ever. He also stated that getting people to join and help out is getting tougher and tougher.

Ms. Stadia thanked everyone.

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

Meeting adjourned at 9:33 P.M.


Clerk of Council


Mayor – President of Council