

Bedford City Council met in a Work Session at Bedford City Hall on Monday, October 3, 2022, at 5:30 p.m.

Present: Council Members: Mayor Stan Koci, Sandy Spinks, Walter Genutis, Victor Fluharty, Frank Smith, Jeff Asbury, and Donald Saunders. Absent: None. Also Present: Clerk of Council Tracy Simons. Administration: City Manager Michael Mallis, Law Director John Montello, Finance Director Jennifer Howland, Assistant Finance Director Allison Chance, and Economic Development Jennifer Kuzma. Absent: None.

BUDGET HEARINGS

Economic Development

City Manager Mallis said that Mrs. Kuzma works 20 hours a week with the City of Bedford and the rest of her time is with First Suburbs. He said she works more than 20 hours a week and is a great resource for the City Manager's Office.

Mrs. Kuzma said that Tinker's Creek is getting developed and that there is good company for the remainder of Tinker's Creek Commerce Park. She said that TLCI will do the study, which will allow the City to get TLCI Funds. She said that First Suburbs is finding ways to tweak the zoning codes. She said that they are currently looking at incentives and making an opportunity to bring in new homes. Councilman Genutis said that the City of Bedford is ahead of the curve in that we offer a tax abatement and that did re-do the zoning size of our lots. He also said that he appreciates everything Mrs. Kuzma has done for the City and the deals she brings to the City. Mrs. Kuzma said that when the City did the new signs everyone noticed.

At this time Council went over the Expense and Revenue sheets for Economic Development.

Mayor Koci concluded the Budget Hearing for Economic Development.

DISCUSSION OF AGENDA

Mayor Koci began the discussion of the agenda.

Council had no corrections to the minutes of the Special Council Meeting of August 29, 2022, the Regular Meeting of September 6, 2022, the Work Session of September 19, 2022, or the minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 19, 2022.

Ordinance No. 10,015-22: Amending Ordinance 9899-21 Section 911.01 Resident Water Rates, Ordinance No. 10,016-22: Amending Ordinance No. 9900-21 Section 911 (1) Rate Reduction for Disabled Persons and Senior Citizens, and Ordinance No. 10,017-22: Amending Ordinance 9901-21 Sewer Rates, Mrs. Howland said that this can be passed tonight for third and final reading.

Appointment of Denise Lachowski to the Civil Service Commission.

Items b and c are in regards to the Planning Commission's approval, and item C is in regarding the Planning Commission's approval for the additional 7,000 square feet.

10,023-22: Contract with Ferguson for construction materials for construction for the new pool house, 1024-22: Contract with Graybar Powersmart for the construction materials for the new pool house, 10,025-22: Contract with Rep Source, LLC for construction material for the new pool house; City Manager Mallis said that this are contracts

Ordinance No. 10,026-22: Contract with Auditor of State for the preparation and assistance for the years 2022 and 2023; Mrs. Howland said that this is the cost proposal for cost services for the audit year for 2022 and 2023. She said that their rates did go up but that we should still be under budget.

Ordinance No. 10,027-22: Contract with GPD Group, City Manager Mallis said that is a contract with GPD Group for the services regarding the design, bidding, permitting, and construction administration costs for the new pool house.

Ordinance No. 10,028-22: POP Plan 125, City Manager Mallis said that this is so employees can have their insurance pre-taxed.

Ordinance No. 10,029-22: Contract with GPD Group for an NFA Analysis, City Manager Mallis said the Council passed legislation before and that this ordinance is for the additional flow meters at the Waste Water Treatment Plant.

Discussion of the agenda was concluded.

Mayor Koci began the discussion of the penalty for passing school buses, and Councilman Genutis asked how can we prevent or lessen it, and Mayor Koci replied to publicize it. Mr. Montello said that if a person fails to stop the fine is \$500.00 and that the judge can suspend their license. He also said that speeding in a school zone is a fine of \$150.00 and it is a minor misdemeanor in the 2nd degree with thirty (3) days in jail. He said that after that if they speed again, it is a 3rd-degree misdemeanor. Mayor Koci asked to see how we are compared to the other four communities of the school district.

Discussion of the Penalty of Passing School Busses was concluded.

EXECUTIVE SESSION


MOTION:	Motion made by Spinks and seconded by Walter Genutis Motion to go into Executive Session regarding Economic Development: Bedford Commons Project and Liberty Development- TCCP.
MOVER:	Sandy Spinks
SECONDER:	Walter Genutis
RESULT:	Pass [7 TO 0]
YEAS:	Koci, Spinks, Genutis, Fluharty, Smith, Asbury, Saunders
NAYS:	
ABSTAIN:	

Adjourned into Executive Session at 7:04 P.M

MOTION:	Motion made by Fluharty and seconded by Jeff Asbury to adjourn out of Executive Session.
MOVER:	Victor Fluharty
SECONDER:	Jeff Asbury
RESULT:	Pass [7 TO 0]
YEAS:	Koci, Spinks, Genutis, Fluharty, Smith, Asbury, Saunders
NAYS:	
ABSTAIN:	

Adjourned out of Executive Session at 7:42 P.M.

The Work Session Meeting was adjourned at 7:43 P.M.


Clerk of Council


Mayor/President of Council

Date: October 17, 2022

Community Development

City of Bedford
2023 Expense Budget Worksheet

Account	Description	2020 Actual	2021 Actual	2022 Budget	2022 Actual	2023 Department Request	2023 City Manager Recommendation	2023 Council Approval
FIRST SUBURBS								
110-4250-00-5-31000	SUPERVISION	\$39,965.63	\$41,890.04	\$39,390.00	\$22,893.18	\$40,178.00	\$40,178.00	
110-4250-00-5-38000	LONGEVITY	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$603.00	\$603.00	
110-4250-00-5-41000	HOSPITALIZATION	\$4,600.00	\$6,855.00	\$6,880.00	\$1,790.67	\$6,880.00	\$6,880.00	
110-4250-00-5-42000	O.P.E.R.S.	\$5,585.57	\$5,640.00	\$5,510.00	\$3,284.20	\$5,709.00	\$5,709.00	
110-4250-00-5-45000	WORKERS COMPENSATIONW	\$207.12	\$695.02	\$805.00	(\$75.45)	\$1,125.00	\$1,385.00	
110-4250-00-5-46000	LIFE INSURANCE	\$90.00	\$90.00	\$90.00	\$37.50	\$90.00	\$90.00	
110-4250-00-5-47000	UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
110-4250-00-5-48000	MEDICARE	\$561.90	\$589.86	\$575.00	\$314.07	\$591.00	\$591.00	
110-4250-00-5-51000	TRAVEL	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	
110-4250-00-5-53500	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CATALYST 900 SOFTWARE	\$1,425.00	\$900.00	\$4,000.00	\$900.00	\$10,000.00	\$6,000.00	
110-4250-00-5-57510	PHONE PAYMENTS	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
110-4250-00-5-59000	OTHER CONTRACTUAL PUBLIC WIFI	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$7,000.00	
110-4250-00-5-59010	PAYMENTS TO B.B.O.E.	\$31,983.00	\$34,108.00	\$35,993.00	\$35,993.00	\$0.00	\$28,215.00	
110-4250-00-5-59020	PAYMENTS TO BCDC STOREFRONTS	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
110-4250-00-5-59040	BUSINESS GRANTS	\$49,453.00	\$53,667.00	\$85,975.00	\$115,975.00	\$0.00	\$120,000.00	

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110-4250-00-5-64000	EQUIPMENT UNDER \$5,000	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
110-4250-00-5-65000	STATIONERY, SUPPLIES & DUES	\$12,138.80	\$11,984.74	\$10,000.00	\$3,580.28	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
110-4250-00-5-97000	EQUIPMENT \$5,000 OR MORE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	FIRST SUBURBS Totals:	\$146,010.02	\$156,319.66	\$189,718.00	\$184,692.45	\$75,676.00	\$227,151.00	\$0.00

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Fund 201	FIRST SUBURBS CONSORTIUM OF NEO COG							
FIRST SUBURBS								
201-4250-00-5-31000	SUPERVISION	\$28,000.00	\$28,000.00	\$28,000.00	\$13,750.00	\$28,000.00	\$28,000.00
201-4250-00-5-38000	LONGEVITY	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$505.00	\$505.00	.....
201-4250-00-5-41000	HOSPITALIZATION	\$5,000.00	\$5,275.00	\$5,275.00	\$2,838.95	\$5,275.00	\$5,275.00	.....
201-4250-00-5-42000	P.E.R.S.	\$3,920.00	\$3,920.00	\$3,920.00	\$1,925.00	\$4,783.00	\$3,990.00	.....
201-4250-00-5-45000	WORKER'S COMPENSATION	\$496.94	\$395.00	\$380.00	\$196.29	\$520.00	\$770.00	.....
201-4250-00-5-46000	LIFE INSURANCE	\$70.00	\$70.00	\$70.00	\$29.15	\$74.00	\$70.00	.....
201-4250-00-5-47000	UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	.....
201-4250-00-5-48000	MEDICARE	\$405.00	\$405.00	\$405.00	\$199.40	\$495.00	\$415.00	.....
201-4250-00-5-51000	TRAVEL	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$8.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	.....
201-4250-00-5-53500	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	\$2,799.30	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$298.30	\$500.00	\$500.00	.....
201-4250-00-5-56000	ADVERTISING & SPONSORSHIPS	\$200.00	\$750.00	\$4,500.00	\$3,000.00	\$4,500.00	\$4,500.00	.....
201-4250-00-5-57510	PHONE PAYMENTS	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	.....
201-4250-00-5-59000	OTHER CONTRACTUAL - OHIO FIRST SUBURBS	\$2,500.00	\$27,500.00	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	.....
201-4250-00-5-59010	PAYMENTS TO B.B.O.E.	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	.....
201-4250-00-5-59020	PAYMENTS TO BCDC STOREFRONT	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
201-4250-00-5-64000	EQUIPMENT UNDER \$5,000	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

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201-4250-00-5-65000	STATIONERY, SUPPLIES & DUES	\$3,987.33	\$1,344.79	\$1,000.00	\$793.74	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
201-4250-00-5-65040	MONTHLY MEETING EXPENSES	\$73.68	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$69.38	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	.....
201-4250-00-5-65050	FIRST SUBURBS SPECIAL EVENTS & ANNUAL MTG	\$2,607.47	\$2,970.50	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	.....
201-4250-00-5-65100	COLRC SINGLE-FAMILY ZONING UPDATE GRANT	\$0.00	\$35,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	.....
201-4250-00-5-65200	FIRST SUBURBS- GIS SUBSCRIPTION	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,104.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	.....
201-4250-00-5-97000	EQUIPMENT \$5,000 OR MORE	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	.....
	FIRST SUBURBS Totals:	\$50,059.72	\$105,630.29	\$54,050.00	\$25,213.21	\$55,652.00	\$55,025.00	\$0.00

Fund 201 Total:		\$50,059.72	\$105,630.29	\$54,050.00	\$25,213.21	\$55,652.00	\$55,025.00	\$0.00
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FIRST SUBURBS								
213-4250-00-5-31000	SUPERVISION	\$21,000.00	\$21,000.00	\$21,000.00	\$13,000.02	\$21,420.00	\$21,420.00
213-4250-00-5-41000	HOSPITALIZATION	\$6,595.00	\$6,870.00	\$6,870.00	\$3,297.48	\$6,870.00	\$6,870.00
213-4250-00-5-42000	P.I.E.R.S.	\$2,940.00	\$2,940.00	\$2,940.00	\$1,819.98	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
213-4250-00-5-48000	MEDICARE	\$305.00	\$305.00	\$305.00	\$188.52	\$311.00	\$310.00
	FIRST SUBURBS Totals:	\$30,840.00	\$31,115.00	\$31,115.00	\$18,306.00	\$31,601.00	\$31,600.00	\$0.00

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2023 Revenue Budget Worksheet

Account	Description	2020 Actual	2021 Actual	2022 Budget	2022 Actual	Department Request	City Manager Recommendation	Council Approval
Fund 201	FIRST SUBURBS CONSORTIUM OF NEO COG							
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT								
201-4250-00-4-20000	MISCELLANEOUS / TRANSFER -CLE- HTS.	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$27,500.00	\$27,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	.....
201-4250-00-4-20100	INTEREST EARNED	\$476.01	\$347.60	\$1,000.00	\$93.94	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	.....
201-4250-00-4-21050	FIRST SUBURBS- GIS SUBSCRIPTION	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	.....
201-4250-00-4-23100	CCLRC SINGLE-FAMILY ZONING UPDATE GRANT	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	.....
201-4250-00-4-25000	MEMBERSHIP FEES	\$48,000.00	\$54,000.00	\$48,000.00	\$9,000.00	\$48,000.00	\$48,000.00	.....
	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT Totals:	\$48,476.01	\$54,347.60	\$96,500.00	\$56,593.94	\$49,000.00	\$49,000.00	\$0.00
Fund 201 Total:		\$48,476.01	\$54,347.60	\$96,500.00	\$56,593.94	\$49,000.00	\$49,000.00	\$0.00

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Account	Description	2020 Actual	2021 Actual	2022 Budget	2022 Actual	Department Request	City Manager Recommendation	Council Approval
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT								
213-4250-00-4-23000	FSDC GRANT	\$33,397.00	\$31,120.50	\$30,840.00	\$21,357.00	\$30,840.00	\$30,840.00	\$2,023.00
213-4250-12-4-23000	SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT RECYCLING GRANT	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT Totals:		\$33,397.00	\$31,120.50	\$30,840.00	\$21,357.00	\$30,840.00	\$30,840.00	\$2,023.00



REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES

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

DATE: OCTOBER 03, 2022

TIME: 8:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Bedford City Council met in a Regular Session at Bedford City Hall on Monday, October 3, 2022. Mayor Koci called the meeting to order at 8:00 P.M.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Approval of Minutes of the Special Council Meeting of August 29, 2022

MOTION:	Motion made by Spinks and seconded by Victor Fluharty to approve.
MOVER:	Sandy Spinks
SECONDER:	Victor Fluharty
RESULT:	Pass [7 TO 0]
YEAS:	Koci, Spinks, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Asbury, Smith
NAYS:	
ABSTAIN:	

- b. Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 6, 2022

MOTION:	Motion made by Asbury and seconded by Frank Smith to approve.
MOVER:	Jeff Asbury
SECONDER:	Frank Smith
RESULT:	Pass [7 TO 0]
YEAS:	Koci, Spinks, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Asbury, Smith
NAYS:	
ABSTAIN:	

- c. Approval of Minutes of the Work Session of September 19, 2022

MOTION: Motion made by Fluharty and seconded by Walter Genutis to approve.
MOVER: Victor Fluharty
SECONDER: Walter Genutis
RESULT: Pass [6 TO 0]
YEAS: Koci, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Asbury, Smith
NAYS:
ABSTAIN:

d. Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 19, 2022

MOTION: Motion made by Asbury and seconded by Donald Saunders to approve.
MOVER: Jeff Asbury
SECONDER: Donald Saunders
RESULT: Pass [6 TO 0]
YEAS: Koci, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Asbury, Smith
NAYS:
ABSTAIN:

5. PRESENTATION

6. OLD BUSINESS

- a. **Ordinance No. 10,015-22: AN ORDINANCE REPLACING ORDINANCE NO. 9899-21 CONCERNING SECTION §911.01 "RESIDENT WATER RATES" OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF BEDFORD AS RELATED TO WATER RATES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (1st Reading on 9/6/22, 2nd Reading on 9/19/22)**

MOTION: Motion made by Spinks and seconded by Victor Fluharty to suspend the rules requiring the reading of said ordinance/resolution on three different days.
MOVER: Sandy Spinks
SECONDER: Victor Fluharty
RESULT: Pass [6 TO 1]
YEAS: Koci, Spinks, Fluharty, Saunders, Asbury, Smith
NAYS: Genutis
ABSTAIN:

Mrs. Howland said this is an ordinance that we pass every year that we set the rates for water on improvements for the Water Fund. We have charge rates for the purchase of water that we purchase from Cleveland and bill it back out to the residence, and it also helps pay for the cost of maintaining the water system. This year we're proposing a decrease of 3%.
 Was read by title only.

MOTION:	Motion made by Saunders and seconded by Jeff Asbury to place said ordinance/resolution on third and final reading.
MOVER:	Donald Saunders
SECONDER:	Jeff Asbury
RESULT:	Pass [6 TO 1]
YEAS:	Koci, Spinks, Fluharty, Saunders, Asbury, Smith
NAYS:	Genutis
ABSTAIN:	

- b. **Ordinance No. 10,016-22:** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 9900-21 CODIFIED ORDINANCE §911.03 "RATE REDUCTION FOR DISABLED PERSONS AND SENIOR CITIZENS" FOR WATER AND SEWER DISCOUNTS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (1st Reading on 9/6/22, 2nd Reading on 9/19/22)
 Was read by title only.

MOTION:	Motion made by Smith and seconded by Jeff Asbury to suspend the rules requiring the reading of said ordinance/resolution on three different days.
MOVER:	Frank Smith
SECONDER:	Jeff Asbury
RESULT:	Pass [7 TO 0]
YEAS:	Koci, Spinks, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Asbury, Smith
NAYS:	
ABSTAIN:	

Mrs. Howland said that we recognize the need to assist veterans senior citizens and the permanently disabled whose income levels are not sufficient to pay for the normal solar water rates, so we intend to provide a 30% discount to these and again citizens of the city. Last year the income level was a year that's been raised by 3% up to \$34,734.00. That's your combined household income for each household.

MOTION: Motion made by Fluharty and seconded by Sandy Spinks to place said ordinance/resolution on third and final reading.
MOVER: Victor Fluharty
SECONDER: Sandy Spinks
RESULT: Pass [7 TO 0]
YEAS: Koci, Spinks, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Asbury, Smith
NAYS:
ABSTAIN:

- c. **Ordinance No. 10,017-22:** BEING AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 9901-21 CONCERNING SECTION 913.02 "SEWER RATES" OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF BEDFORD AS RELATED TO SEWER RATES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY (1st Reading on 9/6/22, 2nd Reading on 9/19/22)

MOTION: Motion made by Spinks and seconded by Walter Genutis to suspend the rules requiring the reading of said ordinance/resolution on three different days.
MOVER: Sandy Spinks
SECONDER: Walter Genutis
RESULT: Pass [7 TO 0]
YEAS: Koci, Spinks, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Asbury, Smith
NAYS:
ABSTAIN:

Mrs. Howland said that we set the rates every year for the Wastewater Fund as well as for the cost of operating maintaining and proving the sewer system. this year we're proposing an increase of 4% and this is actually a net increase of the water and sewer bill of 0.43%.

MOTION: Motion made by Asbury and seconded by Donald Saunders to place said ordinance/resolution on third and final reading.
MOVER: Jeff Asbury
SECONDER: Donald Saunders
RESULT: Pass [7 TO 0]
YEAS: Koci, Spinks, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Asbury, Smith
NAYS:
ABSTAIN:

7. REPORTS

a. City Manager

City Manager Mallis said that I just want to touch on a couple of items very quickly friendly reminder that the chipper service ends this week those that need to utilize the service and you haven't please contact the service department, and we can add you to that list. I also want to mention that we are currently advertising for the Animal Warden. That position is open to anyone interested please visit our website as well as the social media postings we have links on that for those who are interested or if you know someone that's interested in that position. We were contacted by Norfolk Southern last week that they're going to be doing some improvements to the West Grace Crossing we don't have an exact date of that project yet that roadway though once it does take place. They're giving us a window of the middle to end of October, and that crossing will be closed for approximately two weeks. As we get more details as far as a start date and duration of the project and how long that crossing and road will be closed we'll share that on our website as well as social media outlets. I also wanted to mention there's been a lot of questions from many individuals who recently received notifications from NOPEC regarding the spike in everyone's electric bills. We were just provided last week with a frequently asked question flyer information if you have any questions please visit our website where you can access it to answer any of the questions that you may have. A lot of this has to deal with the spike in the rates but also if you have specific questions regarding your bill please visit NOPEC.org or the number that you can contact them at is 855-667-3201. I know a lot of people are checking out the FAQ sheet, or more importantly, sometimes, if you just call their number and speak with them, they can guide you through the changes, hopefully when they come back down. The full list of fall programs has been posted so please visit our website in the Parks Department to view those for sign-ups. In regards to the fall program, I just wanted to thank everyone that helped out last weekend with the Children's Fall Fest, all of the staff, all the organizations Metro Parks, the Gardening Club, and the Bedford Downtown Alliance were there, and the weather cooperated attendance was good

b. Law Director

Mr. Montello had no report this evening.

c. Finance Director

Mrs. Howland had no report this evening.

d. Council Reports

Councilwoman Spinks said that the Fall Festival was so much fun. The City does just a phenomenal job with that it gets bigger and better every year. I used to do face painting, and during COVID, I decided not to do that and started doing crafts with the kids it was pretty heartfelt because the parents got involved with the kids. We had all

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STATE OF OHIO
MINUTES COUNTY OF CUYAHOGA TIME: 8:00 PM
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kinds of crafts and stuff for the families, but kudos to the Fire Department, Police department, and everybody involved. The museum will be opened for the First Friday, and this one is one of the resident's favorites and is a superhero theme. I'm glad that the Bedford Downtown Alliance brought that back. I just wanted to let you know that the museum would be open, also the Bedford Historical Society speakers Series is on Friday, October 14 at seven o'clock in the Community Room. This is something we do every month now if you want to get more involved in the Historical Society please contact Louise Novak we're always looking for more volunteers. She said that she did notice that on Cresswell Ave. it took so long to get them to retain that and that Dominion marked the zone and that there might be some digging going on and asked if City Manager Mallis could reiterate that a little bit more. City Manager Mallis said that we don't know the exact timelines but that Dominion is doing their main gas line replacement project on Archer. Once that's completed the next area they're looking at is Cresswell Ave. but we don't know when that will take place. We don't have a timeline or anything like that, but I will say that we don't permit them to start a new project until the current one is buttoned up. But it appears their next area of focus is Cresswell Ave. Councilwoman Spinks said that the residents were a little concerned seeing all the blue markers on there because it just got repaved. I got a couple of calls that the car haulers are going down Grand and Willard. I just wanted to thank a couple of residents that got out and picked up the trash while I was gone for a couple of weeks. I was kind of concerned, and I was worried that the trash was going to be really bad when I got back. I just want to thank those people, and everybody that gets out not just in my ward that but gets out and picks up trash and helps the City that's always a nice thing.

Councilman Genutis said I'd like to say, Councilwoman Spinks, as you pointed out, that there's not as much trash, and I think that people are indeed going out and picking it up, and I know in my ward, it's pretty well picked up. I think it's a wonderful thing also, I noticed that along Solon Road, which belongs to the City, that stretch is usually pretty trashy, but it's pretty cleaned up now, and I really appreciate it. The City is indeed the one responsible for doing that. For a point of clarity for my no-vote on Ordinance No. 10,015-22, I certainly am not opposed to the City lowering the water rate; in fact, really, I'm grateful that the City is tweaking its numbers and sharpening its pencils, and realize that a great rate increase was not necessarily so. I do appreciate that, but I did place the no vote because philosophically, as I've mentioned before, I'm against the City charging a minimum water rate when absolutely no water is used by the customers. I don't believe that that's correct people should be charged for water if they don't get any, and furthermore, our ordinance says that a minimum monthly water service charge shall be paid by each and every customer supplied with water. But that's not the case because many people are charged this fee without being supplied water in fact, the water is shut off, so I just wanted to clarify it. Mayor Koci said your "no" vote was against the suspension.

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Councilman Fluharty said yesterday that Rick and I helped represent our City at the Jewish Memorial for Holocaust. The people and survivors involved in that as a memorial that they have up in Bedford Heights, it's in a cemetery over there by Northfield and Rockside, and I'm sorry, I don't know the name of it, but there were a lot of people. Some people don't know this is there are a lot of people that do a lot of work for this organization, the Jewish people that get all this done there's only one major other major Holocaust Memorial, and that's in Washington DC. They just passed through the House of Representatives to bring another one to here in Bedford Heights, and now it has to go in front of the Senate, and they pass it, then it has to go on to Joe Biden's desk, and of course, he'll sign it. Then we will have the second Memorial here in Bedford Heights throughout the whole country, so that's an important monument, and Ohio has recognized it as a landmark for the State of Ohio, and if you ever get a chance, go in the cemetery and see this amazing all the names that are on the wall from the Holocaust. Along with all of the people still living here, survivors of the families, and stuff, it's amazing how much history there is. I've never really gotten deep into that too much, but I really learned a lot yesterday. It was a nice ceremony, there were at least two or three hundred people there. A couple of Senator's were the along with a few other dignitaries and some of the Mayors from other cities. It's good that they push to get this done, and it's another nice little piece of history that will be right in our backyard. If you get a chance to go up there and look at everything, you will be amazed at what you can find out from that.

Councilman Smith said that the Colony Club is continuing to improve their property, which is a good thing. I've never seen anybody in there, or any of the other management spend money on that place, so that's a good thing

Councilman Asbury said as the City Manager Mallis mentioned that this is the last week for the chipper service, so hopefully, you got on the list. Leaf collection is due to start sometime middle of October depending on when the leaves start dropping. I'd like to remind everybody to please keep the leaves on your tree lawns because if they get into the street they blow into the sewers and clog up the grates. I would like to mention uh we had a massive hurricane out in Florida there are a lot of people affected, including our Bedford Fire Department's own Lieutenant Brian Harding who is with Ohio Task Force One. They have been deployed down to Florida, so please keep them in your thoughts and prayers. They're doing great work down there so everybody that was affected by the huge storm. It traveled up into South Carolina so keep those people in your thoughts and prayers. The Historic District is going to be having a company starting I believe October 10th will be repainting the light post refurbishing and repainting because over the course of several years the salt has eaten away the paint on the bottom it looks pretty bad. As Councilwoman Spinks mentioned Bedford's First Friday coming up this Friday is the last one of the year. This one the time has changed because it is getting dark a little earlier, so it's going to start at 5:30

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p.m. and run until 7:00 p.m., and again this is called "Calling All Superheroes." Bedford Downtown Alliance is closing up the First Friday season with a do-over of the "Calling All Superheroes" on Friday, October 7th on the Comments. It's costume and cape time so wear your favorite superhero outfit for prizes. The downtown shops will be open, and there will be local groups and non-profits set up on the Comments. Come down and see us hopefully the weather holds out. This was rescheduled because of a rainout, and at this point, it looks like maybe a little bit of rain and chilly but dress warm bring your kids out, and we'll have some fun.

Councilman Saunders asked City Manager Mallis a quick question if he saw that the PUCO gave Norfolk Southern, a significant amount of money to upgrade their crossing signals. They're supposed to be upgrading all the crossing signals with a 12-inch red LED light, which is much brighter so they can be easily seen. He asked do you know if our signals are included in this and will it also include the one that sits off of the other tracks as opposed to just Norfolk itself. City Manager Mallis said I'm not aware that I can look into it, but we have not been notified of any of that work, or if they've received any of the funds, but I can check. Councilman Saunders said that we should make sure that we don't get skipped because everything deals with the railroad we seem to get skipped ever since Conrails disbanded. He asked City Manager Mallis if he can give an update on what's happening with the water line and Harriman and Ennis? City Manager Mallis replied that we're going to be doing is determining if that's going to take place they won't both take place this year most likely it would be one or the other. The odds are it's going to get pushed into spring. We haven't had that meeting yet with the contractor what we're looking to do is button up Broadway first. We had our punch list on Broadway last week and completed that with the contractor. Now we're going to be meeting to discuss the water lines going through the winter. It's, not something that will be completed before the winter. It's not like we can jump in there in the middle of October and have that done by November or December. It's going to be quite a long project even just for one of them, so it's most likely going to get pushed into next year, but we'll know that in the next week or so. Councilman Saunders said that the school buses and everything else is affected by that both of those projects. I don't know if anybody is paying attention to the Bedford City School District facilities project that's upcoming, but they're having a meeting this Wednesday. Most people don't realize the State of Ohio has mandated certain school policies with building classrooms, and if your buildings were built before 1970 it's cheaper to replace them than rehab them. The state will only give you money if you build new, so if you go to rehab them, you have to bring it up to the standard, so the school system has formed a Facilities Committee. So but be aware of the fact that there are going to be a lot of upset people. Depending on where and how the schools get rebuilt they will probably all have to be refilled because all our buildings are full and they don't meet the current design standards that the state is mandating. There's a lot of school districts that have already started and Bedford is now getting underway on seeing what will be

facilitated and needed. One thing that is required is the 25-year student study, which means you're probably going to not need as many schools as you currently have or schools as big as you currently have. That will all be taking place probably within the next year so stay up on it because I guarantee it's going to be a bond issue on the ballot to pay for it, so it's important to Residents to know this is what's going on, so I just wanted to bring that up.

Mayor Koci said I was fortunate enough to go to Maple Heights state of the city address last week and Maple Heights is doing pretty good which is good news for us. They do better we do better, and vice versa and we work closely together and are really happy to see that they are putting in a whole lot of work and doing a lot of good things there in Maple Heights. I just want to congratulate them on moving forward with their projects, and they get a lot of stuff going on there. It's always good to see your neighbors do good because it just spills over both ways. On a different note, we still have a lot of cars on lawns they're all over, and people just need to be reminded, and I know we've mentioned it many times over the year.

8. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Motion to appoint Denise Lachowski to the Civil Service Commission for the 3-yr. term

MOTION: Motion made by Asbury and seconded by Donald Saunders to approve the appointment of Denise Lachowski to the Civil Service Commission for the 3-yr. term.
MOVER: Jeff Asbury
SECONDER: Donald Saunders
RESULT: Pass [7 TO 0]
YEAS: Koci, Spinks, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Asbury, Smith
NAYS:
ABSTAIN:

- b. Motion to approve or deny the Planning Commission's decision to approve Fluent Solar 2578 W. 600 North Ste. 100 Lindon, UT, 84042, representing Rand Marcus, owner of 238 Columbus St., Bedford, O 44146 requesting a zoning permit to install roof mounted solar photovoltaic system on the Southeast side (rear) rear of the dwelling total of 11 panels.

MOTION: Motion made by Fluharty and seconded by Walter Genutis to approve.
MOVER: Victor Fluharty
SECONDER: Walter Genutis

RESULT: Pass [7 TO 0]
YEAS: Koci, Spinks, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Asbury, Smith
NAYS:
ABSTAIN:

- c. Leon Sampat, Architect; 22082 Lorain Rd., Fairview Park, OH 44126 representing Krick Road Holdings, LLC, located at 35850 Schneider Ct Avon, OH 44011. Mr. Sampat is proposing the construction of a 6,886 square foot addition to the existing 44,093 square foot structure for use as a soil stabilization processing center.

MOTION: Motion made by Smith and seconded by Jeff Asbury to approve.
MOVER: Frank Smith
SECONDER: Jeff Asbury
RESULT: Pass [7 TO 0]
YEAS: Koci, Spinks, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Asbury, Smith
NAYS:
ABSTAIN:

- d. **Ordinance No. 10,023-22:** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH FERGUSON FOR CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS NEEDED TO CONSTRUCT A NEW POOL HOUSE AT THE MUNICIPAL POOL AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY
 Was read by title only.

MOTION: Motion made by Spinks and seconded by Walter Genutis to suspend the rules requiring the reading of said ordinance/resolution on three different days.
MOVER: Sandy Spinks
SECONDER: Walter Genutis
RESULT: Pass [7 TO 0]
YEAS: Koci, Spinks, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Asbury, Smith
NAYS:
ABSTAIN:

City Manager Mallis said the next three items are as everyone knows we're going to be moving towards renovating the current pool house facility. The full bid will be going out within the next seven to ten days there are a couple of minor adjustments that we were able to do. We were able to secure a grant with Cuyahoga County for \$150,000, and the funds can be submitted from these three quotes are State bid items and a lot of it has to do with the hardware, toilets, sinks, and a lot of those items fit in

the state pricing. Cali approved to those purchases that will be able to submit for reimbursement. The same with item number h and one of the other item number, H outlines all of the design work that went into this project design of the current facility and the improvements to the current facility. All of that work is also able to get reimbursed so what we're doing is we want to put these on the agenda so we can then turn around and submit them to Cuyahoga County for reimbursement for those items that were on the same bid list. We can do so too by securing that we're able to get these items at reduced cost instead of lumping them into an overall bid package. That goes out to our contracts will be purchasing that, so we're taking advantage of the available pricing. Thus getting all of that reimbursed so where there are benches, where there are spoilers, where there are the dividers for the restrooms, mirrors, and dryers all of that fall under those items that's what's included in these three quotes

MOTION:	Motion made by Saunders and seconded by Jeff Asbury to place said ordinance/resolution on third and final reading.
MOVER:	Donald Saunders
SECONDER:	Jeff Asbury
RESULT:	Pass [7 TO 0]
YEAS:	Koci, Spinks, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Asbury, Smith
NAYS:	
ABSTAIN:	

- e. **Ordinance No. 10,024-22: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH GRAYBAR POWERSMART FOR CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS NEEDED TO CONSTRUCT A NEW POOL HOUSE AT THE MUNICIPAL POOL AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**
Was read by title only.

MOTION:	Motion made by Saunders and seconded by Jeff Asbury to suspend the rules requiring the reading of said ordinance/resolution on three different days.
MOVER:	Donald Saunders
SECONDER:	Jeff Asbury
RESULT:	[7 TO 0]
YEAS:	Koci, Spinks, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Asbury, Smith
NAYS:	
ABSTAIN:	

MOTION:	Motion made by Koci and seconded by Victor Fluharty to place said ordinance/resolution on third and final reading.
MOVER:	Stanley Koci
SECONDER:	Victor Fluharty
RESULT:	Pass [7 TO 0]
YEAS:	Koci, Spinks, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Asbury, Smith
NAYS:	
ABSTAIN:	

- f. **Ordinance No. 10,025-22:** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH REP SOURCE, LLC FOR CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS NEEDED TO CONSTRUCT A NEW POOL HOUSE AT THE MUNICIPAL POOL AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY
Was read by title only.

MOTION:	Motion made by Spinks and seconded by Victor Fluharty to suspend the rules requiring the reading of said ordinance/resolution on three different days.
MOVER:	Sandy Spinks
SECONDER:	Victor Fluharty
RESULT:	Pass [7 TO 0]
YEAS:	Koci, Spinks, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Asbury, Smith
NAYS:	
ABSTAIN:	

MOTION:	Motion made by Saunders and seconded by Jeff Asbury to place said ordinance/resolution on third and final reading.
MOVER:	Donald Saunders
SECONDER:	Jeff Asbury
RESULT:	Pass [7 TO 0]
YEAS:	Koci, Spinks, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Asbury, Smith
NAYS:	
ABSTAIN:	

- g. **Ordinance No. 10,026-22:** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A TWO-YEAR CONTRACT WITH AUDITOR OF STATE OF OHIO, FOR PREPARATION ASSISTANCE OF THE 2022 AND 2023 CITY OF BEDFORD AUDITS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY
Was read by title only.

MOTION: Motion made by Smith and seconded by Donald Saunders to suspend the rules requiring the reading of said ordinance/resolution on three different days.
MOVER: Frank Smith
SECONDER: Donald Saunders
RESULT: Pass [7 TO 0]
YEAS: Koci, Spinks, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Asbury, Smith
NAYS:
ABSTAIN:

Mrs. Howland said that so this is for an agreement with local the Ohio Auditor of State with their local government services. They help us with the audit for the City of Bedford preparing it for presentation. This is a two-year agreement, and the cost is \$22,500 that's the maximum for each of the two years.

MOTION: Motion made by Spinks and seconded by Victor Fluharty to place said ordinance/resolution on third and final reading.
MOVER: Sandy Spinks
SECONDER: Victor Fluharty
RESULT: Pass [7 TO 0]
YEAS: Koci, Spinks, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Asbury, Smith
NAYS:
ABSTAIN:

- h. **Ordinance No. 10,027-22: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 10,001-22 AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH GPD GROUP FOR ITS SERVICES REGARDING DESIGN, BIDDING AND PERMITTING, AND CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTRATION COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE RENOVATION OF THE POOL HOUSE IN THE CITY OF BEDFORD AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**
 Was read by title only.

MOTION: Motion made by Fluharty and seconded by Sandy Spinks to suspend the rules requiring the reading of said ordinance/resolution on three different days.
MOVER: Victor Fluharty
SECONDER: Sandy Spinks
RESULT: Pass [7 TO 0]
YEAS: Koci, Spinks, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Asbury, Smith

NAYS:
ABSTAIN:

City Manager Mallis said that this is for the design work and construction administration we would be utilizing through the engineer's office. We basically separated those costs out, and I'd like to pass this ordinance then we can turn around and get any of those costs throughout the project reimbursed by Cuyahoga County.

MOTION: Motion made by Asbury and seconded by Frank Smith to place said ordinance/resolution on third and final reading.
MOVER: Jeff Asbury
SECONDER: Frank Smith
RESULT: Pass [7 TO 0]
YEAS: Koci, Spinks, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Asbury, Smith
NAYS:
ABSTAIN:

- i. **Ordinance No. 10,028-22: AN ORDINANCE ALLOWING EMPLOYEE PARTICIPANTS TO MAKE INSURANCE PLAN PREMIUM CONTRIBUTIONS ON A PRETAX BASIS FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2023 THROUGH HEALTH EQUITY/WAGE WORKS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**
 Was read by title only.

MOTION: Motion made by Genutis and seconded by Sandy Spinks to suspend the rules requiring the reading of said ordinance/resolution on three different days.
MOVER: Walter Genutis
SECONDER: Sandy Spinks
RESULT: Pass [7 TO 0]
YEAS: Koci, Spinks, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Asbury, Smith
NAYS:
ABSTAIN:

City Manager Mallis said that this authorizes all pre-tax deductions for the employee's Health Care deductions. All of these items Council is authorizing us to do that, and this is standard practice.

MOTION: Motion made by Saunders and seconded by Jeff Asbury to place said ordinance/resolution on third and final reading.
MOVER: Donald Saunders

SECONDER: Jeff Asbury
RESULT: Pass [7 TO 0]
YEAS: Koci, Spinks, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Asbury, Smith
NAYS:
ABSTAIN:

- j. **Ordinance No. 10,029-22: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH GPD GROUP (GPD) TO FURTHER CONDUCT A NO FEASIBLE ALTERNATIVES (NFA) ANALYSIS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**
 Was read by title only.

MOTION: Motion made by Asbury and seconded by Frank Smith to suspend the rules requiring the reading of said ordinance/resolution on three different days.
MOVER: Jeff Asbury
SECONDER: Frank Smith
RESULT: Pass [7 TO 0]
YEAS: Koci, Spinks, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Asbury, Smith
NAYS:
ABSTAIN:

City Manager Mallis said this is for our agreement with the Ohio EPA. We are working through a Non-Feasible Alternative Study for our sewer system in the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Earlier this year, we authorized purchasing and installing various flow monitors at several locations throughout Bedford. The Ohio EPA had requested that we have additional temporary flow monitors installed at additional locations; although questionable, we are working with the EPA. Previously City Council had authorized that insulation we want to have installed during the rainy seasons to gather the most accurate data during those heavy rain events. As far as what our system needs, we further designed the system through the Non Feasible Alternative Study. This ordinance will allow the engineers to put together the information with the additional meters we passed at the last meeting. The initial one was for six or eight that we had installed, and we passed legislation for those to be included in this study; now that the Ohio EPA wants more, and this ordinance authorizes them to conduct the studies

MOTION: Motion made by Spinks and seconded by Victor Fluharty to place said ordinance/resolution on third and final reading.
MOVER: Sandy Spinks

SECONDER:	Victor Fluharty
RESULT:	Pass [7 TO 0]
YEAS:	Koci, Spinks, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Asbury, Smith
NAYS:	
ABSTAIN:	

9. HEARING OF CITIZENS

Heather Rhodes, 241 Center Rd., Bedford, OH said City Manager Mallis for your coaching and the rest of Council with the exception of Don Saunders. First, it has been my honor and pleasure to reside in the City of Bedford several years ago, I made a commitment that my company would donate ten thousand dollars a year to the City of Bedford provided that I was informed as to what the city needed in terms of money. It's been two years, and I have not yet been to be as informed as of what the city needed despite several requests to both my Council Member and many more requests to the City Manager. I can only assume that they are so busy with their jobs that they're unable to take the time to spend a half hour to accept ten thousand dollars for the benefit of the city that I have committed to giving to the city that I love and have lived in for the past 21 years. Despite this, I would like to express to the parties mentioned I'm not angry. I am just a little disappointed for the purposes of making up lost time and money, there is twenty thousand dollars worth of donations in these envelopes. Before I hand over these donations I have a few points of concern that I would like to discuss. My first question is I would like to know how much the Bedford Auto Mile donates to the City of Bedford annually. City Manager Mallis said they don't give an annual donation; it's been an open policy. If there was something that was needed specifically, I will say last year they did make a donation to Bedford was either \$50,000 or \$60,000 last year, and then I believe they donated some portion to the Veteran City. Mrs. Rhoades said it fluctuates for 30 years, and am I correct that you put on an annual free catered breakfast to the Auto Mile to thank them for their charitable donations, and it's served here in City Hall in this very room? That the mayor and all of the Auto Mile owners are invited, and City employees are encouraged to come to thank them for their generosity. My company and I don't want a breakfast, we don't want a plaque, we don't even want a public thank you. But my company and I would like is a short meeting once a year in my office, which is a half block away from here so that someone can discuss with me how that donation money could be used. Ladies and gentlemen, I truly cannot express my profound disappointment, but I have to literally chase down people to throw free money at them. I find it crass and distasteful to have to make a public display of my generosity. Those who know me know that I find my philanthropy here in Bedford to be an intensely private matter, but I will not be ignored in my efforts to help support the City I love. Next year I expect at least one member of this government to make an appointment with me at my office so that we can discreetly discuss how my earmarked domain donation may best be used to improve the City of Bedford so that I can be assured that will be used in accordance with mine and my company's values, or we can expect a repeat of this fiasco next year. The second thing I need to address is that Councilman Don Saunders will cease to apply to residents in and around the City of Bedford that the only reason that I adopted my two youngest children is for a stipend that by Ohio State law I must

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receive for adopting them in order to help cover their special needs. That money is put into a fund and I have heard from more than one person that Don Saunders has said such things in this City. I find such comments vulgar and unbecoming of a Council Person. If they persist Councilman Saunders and the City will be subject to yet another lawsuit because of what he said. Mayor Koci and City Manager Mallis I sincerely hope that you will be having a private conversation with the involved parties about this because if I get even a whiff of such an accusation publicly again I will be suing the City of Bedford for slander, and I do not need or want a monetary settlement which has been used in the past for such matters. I will walk my family's day in public court to refute those accusations now I've been addressed how about we make friends again. These are the checks my first check for five thousand dollars is to go to the Police Department. I think this money will be earmarked for protective gear for the Police Department. These Fine people put their lives at risk every day, and I'm sure there's equipment that they could use to help keep themselves and the residents of our community safer. This check is for the Fire Department five thousand dollars, our Fire Department is all we have to keep illness and death from our door. Given the cowardly and classist actions of the University Health Care Systems in removing such care from our community over the past few months, the Bedford Fire Department needs every bit of help that they can get. This next check is five thousand dollars for our Parks and Recreation specifically to improve or add to our playground equipment and its oversight I want my children's playgrounds to be safe places for my children to play. This past year my children's playground was not a safe place for my children to play I sincerely hope that this money will help fix that. Then this last check is to go for holiday decorations, five thousand dollars to purchase either new or replacement winter holiday decorations for the downtown area of the city during the month of December. I have to admit I'm basically a magnet and Agnostic Pagan it's the closest thing I've been able to come up with I believe in all holidays of the coldest part of the year. If something can bring something bright and warm to such a cold and miserable time of year this money can support Pagan, SIKH, Muslim, Catholic, Atheists, and anything else celebrated by humans in the coldest parts of the year. If someone has an idea about how to bring more magic to the comments in this month of December this money can be used for that. I appreciate all of you and the effort that you do for this City except for him thank you another thank you. Mayor Koci said that you'll get a report on where and when the money is spent. Mrs. Rhoades said I appreciate that thank you.

Annie McPherson, 22 Cresswell, Bedford, OH said that they were moving out of 21 Cresswell yesterday and over the years there have been a lot of people in and out of that place and the lady across the street has been my informant. She's been great about contacting the police and stuff and the gentleman that was there passed away. That was our only you know bright side, and she could tell you to pick up trash and everything, but it's sad when residents cheer that someone moves out. I always like it when they cheer when someone moves in, so it's been a long time coming so I just pray that the next president comes in there.

Jeff Maloney, 57 Eldred, Bedford, OH said that in light of what councilman uh Asperger was saying about the disaster in Florida. I thought it was just wonderful how Governor DeSantis had a Comprehensive Emergency Plan put in place to respond immediately to a disaster of those

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proportions. My question is if something God forbid should happen you know that a disaster that magnitude would happen here in Bedford Northeast Ohio the electrical grid crashes and we have another supply chain problem or whatever does the City of Bedford have a well-thought-out plan put in place that they can implement immediately if indeed something like that should occur? City Manager Mallis said that I can elaborate on that so I could get into a couple of the items we do I mean on a small level as far as something like that we would obviously be partnering and working directly with the County Emergency Management office. On a smaller scale if we had a mass outage here of some level for instance thinking of a disaster let's say electrical and you know we have a number of our facilities that are equipped with generators. We have a relationship with the Red Cross where we could actually and we have in the past for instance with bad storms you hear of power outages. Our concerns are about seniors not being able to heat their homes, whereas if we can transport them to the Ellenwood Center where we would have the Red Cross station there. I will say I in 20 some years we've done that maybe five or six times no ones ever showed up or no one's ever asked to get transported. A lot of times people just don't like to leave their home, but on a small scale we do have plans in place for things like that. We will rely heavily on a major event of that nature we will rely on Emergency Management and you know our team here when something specifically happening in Bedford, obviously is the Fire Chief, Police Chief, myself, and obviously Mayor Koci, that we have in place as far as where we're at. We heavily rely on Cuyahoga County, Chiefs Associations and things like that. There's a number of items that we've talked regularly not just because something that might have happened in another part of the country, we've talked about regular training not only school shootings God forbid, but we do training with all of our staff for any type of event. Here we do training with our staff that may happen at if it's at the Service Department or Recreation Center, where do you go, what are the lockdown procedures all of that we do it. It's done regularly through our staff that are trained in situations like that within our Police Department it's one of you know not to keep going on and on, but we all say we have some of the greatest staff, and we have truly great people here and within police and fire. Their training you know we rely on and hopefully we never have to depend on that.

10. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION:	Motion made by Asbury and seconded by Donald Saunders to adjourn the meeting.
MOVER:	Jeff Asbury
SECONDER:	Donald Saunders
RESULT:	Pass [7 TO 0]
YEAS:	Koci, Spinks, Genutis, Fluharty, Saunders, Asbury, Smith
NAYS:	
ABSTAIN:	

REGULAR MEETING

BEDFORD CITY COUNCIL

DATE: OCTOBER 03, 2022

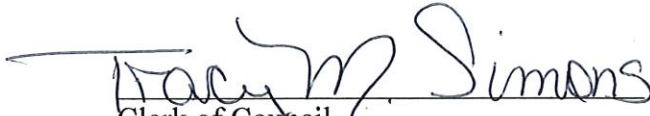
MINUTES

STATE OF OHIO

COUNTY OF CUYAHOGA

TIME: 8:00 PM

165 CENTER ROAD BEDFORD, OH 44146


Clerk of Council


Mayor/President of Council

Date: November 7, 2022