

**COUNCIL WORK SESSION
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2015**

6:30 P.M. PROMPT

- **DISCUSSION WITH KIMBALL REPRESENTATIVE** – Don Johnson
- **DISCUSSION OF AGENDA**
- **DISCUSSION OF WARD MEETING DATES** (Calendar provided)
- **DISCUSSION OF SUMMER SESSION MEETING DATES** (Calendar provided)
- **DISCUSSION OF RE-APPOINTMENTS TO THE BOARD OF BUILDING STANDARDS & APPEALS** (Stemple/Lynch)
- **DISCUSSION OF ARTS & CULTURAL BOARD RULES**
- **EXECUTIVE SESSION** – (Personnel/Economic Development)

Bedford City Council met in a Work Session at Bedford City Hall on Monday, February 2, 2015 at 6:36 p.m.

Present: Council Members: Mayor Stan Koci, Greg Pozar, Marilyn Zolata, Sandy Spinks, Walter Genutis, Don Saunders. Absent: Paula Mizsak. Administration: City Manager Michael Mallis, Assistant Law Director John Montello, Building Commissioner Calvin Beverly, Finance Director Frank Gambosi, Clerk of Council Lorree Villers.

DISCUSSION WITH KIMBALL REPRESENTATIVE – Don Johnson

Mr. Mallis informed Council that it was best to reschedule Mr. Johnson's presentation this evening; he felt all of Council needed to be present. Mr. Johnson would be present at the February 17, 2015 Work Session.

Mayor Koci began discussion of the Regular Council Meeting agenda.

Council had no changes to the minutes of the Work Session of January 20, 2015 and the Regular Meeting of January 20, 2015.

Ordinance No. 9242-15 contracted with Nerone & Sons through the bidding process for the WWTP in the amount of \$1,721,470.00 for Contract E.

Mr. Gambosi informed Council that not all the projects would be completed at this time and additional funds of approximately \$400,000 would be needed in the future. The original expected expenses of \$6 million was almost cut in half at \$3 million+ for a few of the contracts. The WWTP was an ongoing project especially with the OEPA requirements; it seemed as if the selected projects would never be completed. The projects were prioritized accordingly per the requirements. Mr. Saunders had concerns with future costs of change orders and hoped the amount being considered this evening would cover the expected projects; even though it was a reality, change orders were going to occur. There was no way to know in cost of each project because as other issues were found they were addressed. It was important to keep on top of these projects because of the OEPA requirements and enormous costs involved. Bid timing was also important as the City hoped to get lower bid comparisons to save funds. There was discussion that they hoped some of the projects were being prioritized accordingly in a logical order to save wear and tear on the system in order to prolong the system. The Administration, WWTP employees and City Engineer worked jointly on all efforts at the WWTP. It was determined Mr. Ciuni and Mr. Schreiber's financials somewhat overlapped so the overall cost presented was not the actual cost. There was discussion of how the system had improved over the years. As usual the normal required tests were addressed according to schedule and addressed on an as needed basis. A thought was for Bedford to work with the City of Solon on projects or supplies in hopes to save money. It was determined that Mr. Ciuni and/or Mr. Schreiber would need to be present at a future Work Session for clarification and to answer some questions.

The motion to accept the January 27, 2015 recommendation of the Board of Zoning Appeals for Jacqueline Barbee, 77 Southwick Drive, Bedford who is seeking relief from Section 903.02 (4) (A) of the Codified Ordinances which states "(4) Number of driveway aprons. – (A) Each lot shall have only one driveway". The owner(s) were issued a permit to resurface an existing driveway. Upon visiting the job site it was discovered that in fact a second curb cut, apron and driveway had been installed. Mr. Mallis explained the shortness of the existing drive which allowed access to the garage. If Ms. Barbee had a visitor that parked in the existing drive, the vehicle would be in violation of the City Ordinances. The BZA members made it clear Ms. Barbee would not be able to use her drive leading to the garage for visitor parking or Health Care Provider of any kind.

Discussion of the Regular Meeting agenda was concluded.

DISCUSSION OF WARD MEETING DATES

It was determined the dates would be as follows: Wards 2 & 4 were March 23, 2015, Wards 3 & 6 were March 30, 2015 and Wards 1 & 5 were April 13, 2015 beginning at 7:00 p.m.

DISCUSSION OF SUMMER SESSION MEETING DATES

It was determined the dates would be as follows: June 1st, July 20th and August 17th at the normal time of 8:00 p.m.

DISCUSSION OF RE-APPOINTMENTS TO THE BOARD OF BUILDING STANDARDS & APPEALS
BBSA members Vicky Stemple and Dave Lynch's terms were expired in March and both have requested to be re-appointed. The Administration and Council were in agreement and they would be re-appointed.

DISCUSSION OF ARTS & CULTURAL BOARD RULES

Mrs. Spinks expressed her concerns of allowing any Chairman total control of this Board as it had been ran in the past. Mayor Koci and Mrs. Spinks suggested several changes to the Rules/Bylaws as presented by the Arts & Cultural Board (ACB) for Council's review. It was unclear whether the ACB voted to accept these rules prior to tonight's discussion. It was determined Council would have the authority to appoint each member, the Clerk of Council would be the contact for each interested applicant. The Clerk of Council would forward the information to the Chairman, the ACB Secretary and members. The resumes and/or letters of interest were considered Public Record and should be maintained at City Hall by the Clerk of Council. Mayor Koci suggested four (4) of the seven (7) members be a combination of a Bedford resident, a Bedford business owner or a Bedford landowner. It was important to have four (4) City vested members on the Board; it was not in the best interest to allow all the members not have some type of residency requirements, It was determined it was beneficial to have qualified members on the ACB as they could bring a lot to the table. It was also mentioned that not everyone participating on the ACB was required to be appointed as an ACB member; volunteers were welcome. It was determined Ordinance No, 7845-06 would be amended accordingly. The changes would be discussed again at the February 17, 2015 Work Session for last minute changes.

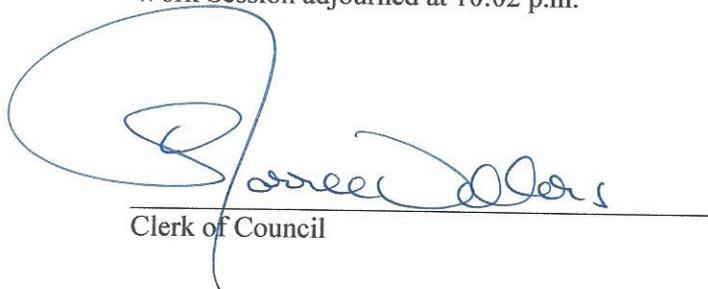
At 7:55 p.m., Bedford City Council, City Manager Mike Mallis, Finance Director Frank Gambosi and Assistant Law Director John Montello went into an executive session to discuss Personnel and Economic Development.

At 7:59 p.m., the Executive Session recessed for the Regular Council Meeting at 8:00 p.m.

At 8:55 p.m., the Executive Session reconvened with Bedford City Council, City Manager Mike Mallis, Finance Director Frank Gambosi and Assistant Law Director John Montello.

Executive session adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Work Session adjourned at 10:02 p.m.



Clerk of Council



Mayor - President of Council

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **ROLL CALL**
4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
 - a. Approval of Minutes of the Work Session of January 20, 2015
 - b. Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 20, 2015
5. **PRESENTATIONS** –
6. **OLD BUSINESS** (None)
7. **REPORTS**
 - a. City Manager
 - b. Law Director
 - c. Finance Director
 - d. Council Reports
8. **NEW BUSINESS**
 - a. Ordinance No. 9242-15 contract w/Nerone & Sons for the 2014 Bedford WWTP Contract E (\$1,721,470)
 - b. Motion to accept the January 27, 2015 recommendation of the Board of Zoning Appeals for Jacqueline Barbee, 77 Southwick Drive, Bedford who is seeking relief from Section 903.02 (4) (A) of the Codified Ordinances which states “(4) Number of driveway aprons. – (A) Each lot shall have only one driveway”. The owner(s) were issued a permit to resurface an existing driveway. Upon visiting the job site it was discovered that in fact a second curb cut, apron and driveway had been installed.
9. **HEARING OF CITIZENS**
10. **ADJOURNMENT**

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES BEFORE COUNCIL MEETING
(Council Minutes and Agendas posted at www.bedfordoh.gov)

Bedford City Council met in Regular Session at Bedford City Hall on Monday, February 2, 2015. Mayor Koci called the meeting to order at 8:00 P.M. The meeting was opened by pledging allegiance to the flag. The roll was called. Present: Pozar, Saunders, Zolata, Spinks, Koci, Genutis. Absent: Mizzsak.

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

Motion made by Pozar and seconded by Saunders to approve the minutes of the Work Session of January 20, 2015. The roll was called. Vote – Yeas: Pozar, Saunders, Zolata, Spinks, Genutis. Nays: None. Abstain: Koci. Motion carried.

Motion made by Zolata and seconded by Spinks to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 20, 2015. The roll was called. Vote – Yeas: Pozar, Saunders, Zolata, Spinks, Genutis. Nays: None. Abstain: Koci. Motion carried.

Mayor Koci, City Manager Mallis, Police Chief Kris Nietert, Deputy Chief Marty Stemple, City Council and the Administration were present for the swearing in of Patrolman Adnre DiMatteo. Chief Nietert told Patrolman DiMatteo to honor the badge, do what was just and right and to be fair and honest with the dealings with the public. He thanked Council and the Administration for allowing another hiring in the Police Department. Mayor Koci read a Proclamation for Bedford's own, Jack Wardley for his 103rd Birthday on February 10, 2015.

The Administration and Council congratulated Patrolman DiMatteo on his new position. Council congratulated Mr. Mallis and Mayor Koci on the State of City Address. The State of the City Address PowerPoint was on the City's website under the City Manager section. Mayor Koci and Mr. Mallis thanked everyone for their kind words. All of Council and the Administration urged those not to park in the street when it was snowing so the plows could do their jobs.

City Manager Michael Mallis thanked those for attending the State of City Address. He stressed very heavily for the residents not to park in the street when there was over 2 inches of snow and to maintain their sidewalks. He told everyone to contact the Police Department if they were contacted by someone who was inquiring about purchasing their property: it could possibly be a scam. The focus was to open the new Dispatcher Center on February 19, 2015; there was a delay dealing with an AT&T line. The Bedford Heights Dispatchers have been working side by side with the Bedford Dispatchers at City Hall. Those that have been working on this project have spent a tremendous amount of time which was very much appreciated.

Assistant Law Director John Montello wished Mr. Wardley a Happy Birthday. He congratulated Mr. Mallis and Mayor Koci on the great job regarding the State of the City Address.

Mr. Gambosi said there would be another Civil Service test due to the recent hiring.

Councilwoman Spinks urged those not to park in the street when it snows. She appreciated the efforts of the Service Department regarding snow removal. She announced the Teacher of the Week as Shawn Smith; he teaches at Columbus School. This was the sixth teacher from the Bedford School system. The next FriDates would be at the Light of Hearts Villa.

Councilman Genutis urged those to shovel around their fire hydrants and for the snow plow operators not to bury the hydrants when plowing. He spoke about the efforts of saving the VFW 1082. The Akron Big Band would be playing on February 21, 2015; the admission was \$10. He was in the process working on plans for the upcoming Community Garden.

Councilwoman Zolata encouraged those to get involved with the Historical Society function on March 7, 2015; she would report the details later. The Historical Society was a huge asset to the City.

No report from Councilman Pozar.

Councilman Saunders announced there was a Church Fund Raiser in April 2015 to assist in construction costs; he would report the details later. He spoke about the video regarding the Bedford School football team which was very well done. It was posted on the school's website. He announced he was appointed to the NLC's Steering Committee Transportation and Infrastructure Committee. This was an important position and it took a lot of work to be appointed to this type of position. He has hoped for the permanent infrastructure bill passed instead of a temporary bill. The Walton Hills/Bedford Democratic Party meeting was February 10, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the library; former Mayor Pocek would be giving the flag presentation.

Mayor Koci congratulated Councilman Saunders on his NLC appointment. He said the little city of Bedford had a big impact at NLC. He was appointed as Chairman of the First Tier Suburbs Committee at the NLC. Council members had a lot of influence at the NLC. He would be speaking at the NLC University in March. He felt the Department Heads and employees were talented and qualified in their positions; it made his job easier. He announced the Ward Meetings would be in March and April this year; the dates would be announced at a later date.

ORDINANCE NO. 9242-15 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH NERONE AND SONS, INC. BEING THE LOWEST, RESPONSIVE AND RESPONSIBLE BIDDER, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY WAS READ BY TITLE ONLY

Motion made by Zolata seconded by Genutis to suspend the rule requiring the reading of said ordinance three different days.

The roll was called. Vote – Yeas: Pozar, Saunders, Zolata, Spinks, Koci, Genutis. Nays: None. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Saunders seconded by Pozar to place Ordinance No. **9242-15** on third and final reading and passed.

Mr. Mallis explained this contract was for various improvements for the WWTP as prioritized by a group of qualified people. Mr. Saunders urged the Administration to oversee this ongoing project in order to control cost overruns. Projects like this were addressed at the NLC.

The roll was called. Vote – Yeas: Pozar, Saunders, Zolata, Spinks, Koci, Genutis. Nays: None. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Genutis seconded by Spinks to accept the January 27, 2015 recommendation of the Board of Zoning Appeals for Jacqueline Barbee, 77 Southwick Drive, Bedford who is seeking relief from Section 903.02 (4) (A) of the Codified Ordinances which states “(4) Number of driveway aprons. – (A) Each lot shall have only one driveway”. The owner(s) were issued a permit to resurface an existing driveway. Upon visiting the job site, it was discovered that in fact a second curb cut, apron and driveway had been installed. Mayor Koci explained this was in regards to the decision the Board of Zoning's decision of a variance for their drive. Mr. Saunders asked if there was a condition if the house was sold the drive would have to be removed or was this a permanent improvement. Mr. Mallis clarified if a car was parked in the existing very short drive, it was a violation of the City Ordinances. Ms. Barbee would not be able to use her drive leading to the garage for parking.

The roll was called. Vote – Yeas: Pozar, Saunders, Zolata, Spinks, Koci, Genutis. Nays: None. Motion carried unanimously.

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

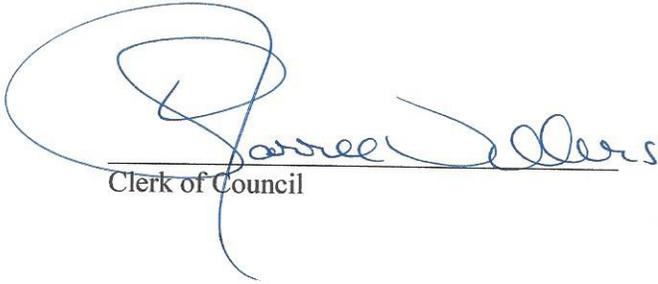
Dick Bender, 69 Wandle Avenue, told a story about his neighbor telling him his house was listed for sale. Mr. Mallis urged those who receive any type of odd or possible scam correspondence to give it to the Police Department; there were various types of odd situations/things happening.

Dot Schwende, 513 Lamson, received a message on her answering machine the IRS was trying to get in touch with her regarding a lawsuit. Mr. Gambosi stressed the IRS would only contact by US Mail and not use any other means of contact.

Mayor Koci announced the Work Session Executive Session would reconvene in a few minutes.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:43 P.M.



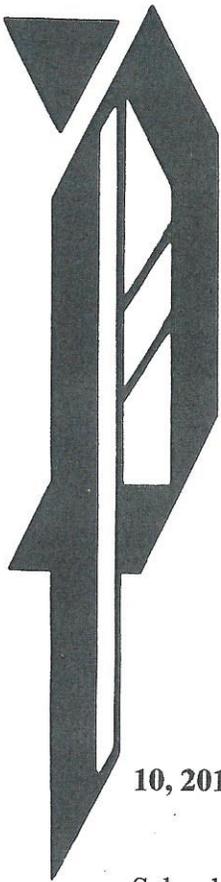
Garret Walters
Clerk of Council



Spinks
Mayor – President of Council

THE CITY OF BEDFORD, OHIO

Office of the Mayor



Proclamation



Whereas:

Jack Wardley will be 103 years old on February 10, 2015, and

WHEREAS, Jack was born in Bedford, Ohio and graduated from Bedford High School in 1931, and

WHEREAS, Jack served our Country in WWII and was in the U.S. Navy, and

WHEREAS, Jack supported the Cleveland Children's Museum, the Cleveland Art Museum, the Bedford Historical Society, served as the Chairman of the Bedford Building and Grounds and was instrumental in the preservation of the 1832 Hezekiah Dunham House and the 1892 Old Church on the square and delivered for Meals on Wheels plus he attends the Bedford First Methodist Church, and

WHEREAS, Jack has demonstrated in countless ways his dedication to the welfare of others and has earned the respect of all with whom he came into contact with and the love and affection of a host of friends over his 100 year life.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Stanley C. Koci, Mayor of the City of Bedford on behalf of the City Council and Citizens of Bedford, do hereby extend this expression of sincere congratulations on this happy occasion of the 103rd Birthday of Jack Wardley and hope he has many more happy and healthy years in the future.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I do hereby set my hand and cause the Seal of the City of Bedford to be affixed hereto this 10th day of February 2015.



Mayor Stanley C. Koci