August 2, 2021

The Regular Meeting of the Bedford Borough Council was held on the above date with the following Council Members present, Tim Weaverling, Sharon Turkovich, Jeff Rinscheid, William Blackburn, Patrick Neff, John Cessna, and Kenny Fetterman. Mayor William Leibfreid, Borough Manager Barbara Diehl, Borough Secretary Beverly Geller, Police Chief Craig Bowman, Solicitor Dean Crabtree, and Tim Cooper, PE of Stiffler McGraw, were also present.

Lloyd Roach, Cessna Communications, and Matthew Bullington, Chairman of the Municipal Authority of the Borough of Bedford, were in attendance.

Motion was made by Council Member Neff, seconded by Council Member Rinscheid, to approve the Minutes from the July 2, 2021 Council Meeting and the July 20, 2021 Council Workshop. Motion was carried by unanimous vote (7-0).

Motion was made by Council Member Blackburn, seconded by Council Member Neff, to approve the list of bills from July 7, 2021 through August 2, 2021. Motion was carried by unanimous vote (7-0).

Motion was made by Council Member Cessna, seconded by Council Member Neff, to approve the August 2, 2021 Treasurers Report. Motion was carried by unanimous vote (7-0).

Two bids were received for the 2021 Paving Project. The first was from New Enterprise Stone & Line in the amount of $1,073,867.58 and the second from Grannas Bros. Stone & Asphalt in the amount of $1,125,024.00.

The estimate for the project was $1,062,564.00 with Borough funds in the amount of $246,225.00 ($60,000.00 from Fund 1 and $186,250.00 from Liquid Fuels). $372,243.99 will come from the Municipal Authority CSO Project PENNVEST account (1% interest). The remainder will come from a Pennsylvania Infrastructure Bank loan to the Municipal Authority (1.625%).

Motion was made by Council Member Turkovich, seconded by Council Member Neff, to accept the bid from New Enterprise Stone & Lime in the amount of $1,073,867.58 after review of the documentation. Motion was carried by unanimous vote (7-0).

Mayor Leibfreid shared the police statistics with Council.

Mr. Cooper shared that the Streetscape Project IV Grant application was submitted successfully the last week of July.

Solicitor Crabtree shared the steps to for the request from TC Squared LLC to rezone the property along Green Lane. Solicitor Crabtree asked that a motion be made to send the request to the Borough Planning and the County Planning Commission. Motion was made by Council Member Cessna, seconded by Council Member Rinscheid, to forward the request to the Planning Commissions. Motion carried (5-2) with Council Members Turkovich and Neff voting against the motion.

Council Member Turkovich shared an event request for use of the Lutheran quadrant of the Square to hold a Constitution Day Ceremony on Friday, September 17, 2021, beginning at 10 a.m. with an approximate 40 to 50 individuals in attendance. Motion was made by Council Member Neff, seconded by Council Member Turkovich, to approve the event. Motion was carried by unanimous vote (7-0).

Manager Diehl shared one Historic Architecture Review Board (HARB) application was HARB approved:

- Office of Senator Wayne Langerholc Jr – 129 E Penn Street – Add Signage

Motion was made by Council Member Neff, seconded by Council Member Cessna, to approve the application. Motion was carried by unanimous vote (7-0).

Manager Diehl shared that letters were sent from the Bedford Police Department to property owners on Juliana, Pitt, and John Streets along with Echo Vale Drive.

Motion was made by Council Member Neff, seconded by Council Member Blackburn, to approve Requisition #19 for the Borough Building Renovation Project in the amount of $53,474.98. Motion was carried by unanimous vote (7-0).

Manager Diehl shared that cement is being poured; doors are being installed; technology, camera systems, and fire alarms are being installed. Building should be ready for occupancy soon.

Mayor Leibfreid opened discussion regarding the safety concerns brought to Council by Richard Wilson about parking close the High School. After discussion Council Member Neff noted that the Ordinance Review Committee would reach out to the school and meet to discuss the parking situation.

Chief Bowman, Solicitor Crabtree, Mr. Bullington and Mr. Roach exited the meeting at 7:49 p.m.

Council entered Executive Session to discuss litigation at 7:49 p.m.

Council exited Executive Session at 8:03 p.m.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made and carried at 8:03 p.m.

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Borough Secretary