

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**The Bedford County Planning Commission Resolution to Amend Articles III and IV of the Zoning Resolution of Bedford County**

Purpose of Resolution: Amend Article IV Zoning Districts, Section 4.060 Overlay Zoning Districts, by adding a new Section titled 4.065 and all its proposed subsections and to amend Article IV Zoning Districts, Section 4.060 Overlay Zoning Districts, by adding a new Section titled 4.065 and all its proposed subsections.

On September 15, 2020 the Bedford County Rules and Legislative committee unanimously recommended the resolution be voted on by the Bedford County Commission.

The public hearing will occur immediately before the Bedford County Commission meeting which will begin at 7:00 p.m. on October 13, 2020. The public hearing and commission meeting will be held at the Bedford County historic courthouse in the second-floor courtroom.

**Accommodations**

Persons with a disability who wish to request accommodation to participate in the Public Meeting should notify Anna Frazier at least one (1) business days prior to the Meeting at (931) 684-7944 or email your request to [anna.frazier@bedfordcountyttn.org](mailto:anna.frazier@bedfordcountyttn.org) to discuss accommodations. Every reasonable effort will be made to meet your need.

**Jennifer Myer, owner of Sunchaser Market in Flat Creek, spoke in favor of the Amendment. Jackie Farrar, Flat Creek resident, also urged Commissioners to pass the Amendment.**

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**Be it remembered that the Bedford County Commissioners, acting as the County Legislative Body, met in a regular session in the Bedford County Courthouse in Shelbyville, Tennessee on Tuesday, October 13, 2020 at 7:00 PM.**

**Chairman Chad Graham asked for a moment of silence in honor and memory of Commissioner Jimmy Patterson, who recently passed away. Commissioner Patterson’s wife, daughter, son-in-law, and grandson were in attendance. Graham asked County Attorney John T. Bobo to lead a prayer. Graham called the meeting to order and Sheriff Austin Swing opened the meeting. Graham led the Pledge of Allegiance and County Clerk Donna Thomas called the roll.**

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| <b>MARK THOMAS</b>                | <b>BRENT SMITH</b>   | <b>BRIAN FARRIS</b>   |
| <b>JOHN BROWN</b>                 | <b>JULIE SANDERS</b> | <b>DON GALLAGHER</b>  |
| <b>JANICE BROTHERS</b>            | <b>JEFF SWEENEY</b>  | <b>PHILIP FARRAR</b>  |
| <b>ED CASTLEMAN</b>               | <b>GREG VICK</b>     | <b>TONY SMITH</b>     |
| <b>SYLVIA PINSON</b>              | <b>LINDA YOCKEY</b>  | <b>ANITA EPPERSON</b> |
| <b>JIMMY PATTERSON (deceased)</b> |                      |                       |

**There were 15 commissioners present. Commissioners Bill Anderson and Chasity Gunn were absent.**

*Pursuant to Governor Lee’s Executive order No. 51, Commissioners may participate by telephonic or other electronic means.*

**APPROVAL OF THE SEPTEMBER 8, 2020 COMMISSION MINUTES – Placed on the agenda by Rules and Legislative Committee.**

Motion to approve by Thomas. Second by Pinson. Passed by roll call vote. 15 Ayes 0 Noes

**ELECTIONS & CONFIRMATIONS**

**Elect Notaries – November 2020 list – Placed on the agenda by Rules and Legislative Committee.**

Motion to approve by Thomas. Second by Pinson. County Clerk Donna Thomas asked to add Marcia Lynn Wilhelm to the list. Thomas and Pinson agreed to include the additional name in the motion. Passed by roll call vote. 15 Ayes 0 Noes

**Elect Notaries – November 2020 list (continued)**

FROM: BEDFORD COUNTY CLERK RE: NOTARY APPLICANTS FOR November 2020  
 TO: RULES AND LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE DATE: 9-08-20

NAME	NEW/RENEW	RECOMMENDED BY
1. Donna G. Magee	Renew	
2. Barbara H. Thomas	Renew	
3. Betty R. Yvanara	Renew	
4. Stanley Smotherman	Renew	
5. Lisa L. Harbhis	Renew	
6. L. Wayne Bomar	Renew	
7. Cindy K. Caffey	Renew	
8. Lynn Arnold	Renew	
9. Cindy Crosslin	Renew	
10. Stacy Lane	Renew	
11. Anthony Allen	Renew	
12. Kathy Tyson	Renew	
13. H. Chris Sparks	Renew	
14. Stephen Smith	Renew	
15. Teresa Dixon	Renew	
16. Tara Stephens	Renew	
17. Corray Clark	Renew	
18. Melissa L. James	Renew	
19. S. Todd Bebo	Renew	
20. Myra Fishback	Renew	Thomas/Vick
21. Chelsea Miller	Renew	Thomas/Vick
22. Tomeka Allison	Renew	Thomas/Vick
23. Haley L. Wilson	Renew	Thomas/Sanders
24. Teresa Lynn Butler	Renew	Thomas/Vick
25. Emily R. Hodges	Renew	Vick/Thomas
26. Jeremiah Garcia	Renew	Thomas/Smith
27. Moranda Odeneal	Renew	Thomas/Smith
28. Carolyn F. Blair	Renew	Thomas/Smith
29. Tiffany Carnes	Renew	Thomas/Smith
30. Bridget Templeton	Renew	Thomas/Smith
30. Marcia Lynn Withelm	Renew	Thomas/Smith

**PRESENTATIONS**

Introduction of Legislative Delegation: State Senator Shane Reeves (District 14) and State Representative Pat Marsh (District 62). Introduction of Deputy Comptroller, Jason Mumpower. – *Presentation was postponed.*

**RESOLUTIONS**

**Resolution 21-10: Resolution to Amend Articles III and IV of the Zoning Resolution of Bedford County.** *Placed on agenda by the Financial Management Committee.*

Motion to approve by Vick. Second by Sweeney. Vick asked to amend the resolution by adding the following language to a new Section 5 of Article D:

"Any existing business currently established within the confines of a Commercial Village Center, will be considered exempt and are considered grandfathered and as such, are in immediate compliance."

Both Vick and Sweeney agreed to the amendment to the resolution. Passed (as amended) by roll call vote. 14 Ayes 0 Noes 1 Pass Commissioner Farrar passed.

*A copy of the resolution is on file in the Clerk's office.*

**Resolution 21-11: Resolution authorizing submission of an application for a Litter and Trash Collecting Grant from TDOT and authorizing the acceptance of said grant.**

Motion to approve by Thomas. Second by Castleman. Passed by roll call vote. 15 Ayes 0 Noes

**Resolution 21-11: Resolution authorizing submission of an application for a Litter and Trash Collecting Grant (continued)**

**Bedford County Board of Commissioners  
Resolution No. 21-11**

**AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION**

Resolution authorizing submission of an application for a Litter and Trash Collecting Grant from the Tennessee Department of Transportation and authorizing the acceptance of said grant.

WHEREAS, the Bedford County Highway Department intends to apply for the aforementioned grant, during the 2020 – 2021 fiscal year, from the Tennessee Department of Transportation; and WHEREAS, the contract for the grant will impose legal obligations upon the Bedford County Highway Department.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That Mark Clanton is authorized to apply on behalf of the Bedford County Highway Department for a litter and trash collecting grant from the Tennessee Department of Transportation.
2. That should said application be approved by the Tennessee Department of Transportation, then Mark Clanton is authorized to execute contracts or other necessary documents, which may be required to signify acceptance of the litter and trash collecting grant by the Bedford County Highway Department.

Approved at the regularly scheduled meeting held on the 13 day of October 2020.

CERTIFICATION BELOW BY COUNTY

ATTEST:  
*Donna Thomas*  
Donna Thomas, County Clerk

*Chad D. Graham*  
Chad D. Graham, County Mayor

**REPORTS BY STANDING COMMITTEES**

**Rules and Legislative Committee**

None

**Law Enforcement Committee**

None

**Courthouse and Property Committee**

**Surplus Items from Archives – leftover items**

Motion to approve by Yockey. Second by Thomas. Motion passed by roll call vote. 15 Ayes 0 Noes

**Financial Management Committee**

None

**QUARTERLY REPORTS Q1**

1. **Clerk & Master** – absent, submitted report
2. **Circuit Court Clerk/Driving School Director** – absent, submitted report
3. **County Clerk**

Donna Thomas submitted report and noted that revenue for Bedford is up 15% over last year. The County Clerk office is back to regular hours on Saturdays.

**4. Director of Schools**

Don Embry reported that the school system currently has 8503 students enrolled, down 270 students from last year due largely to more students being homeschooled. 1334 students are participating virtually. The cases of COVID-19 in the schools has been very low so far, but a rise in cases may happen soon. Vick asked if schools are funded for virtual students. Embry said yes, but not for withdrawals or homeschoolers. He said there is a proposal for the legislature to hold school systems harmless for the next 3 years so that funding will not drop due to COVID-19. Sanders asked if there are virtual students who are failing classes and whether the schools are monitoring the issue. Embry said that some students are not being monitored at home and are not submitting their work. Schools and principals have been reaching out to those parents. There are tutoring opportunities for parents and students on navigating the on-line process. He remarked that teachers are working long hours and in stressful situations. Several commissioners commended Embry on the fine job he and his team have done responding to the COVID-19 crisis. Embry asked that in the next budget cycle, commissioners take a look at teacher pay. The school system is unable to compete with surrounding counties, and as a result there is a shortage of teachers and substitutes.

**5. Election Registrar**

Summer Leverette reported that there is currently a record number of 27,000 registered voters in Bedford County. Tomorrow is the first day of early voting, and due the large turnout expected, she has asked the sheriff for help for safety and traffic reasons. Yockey asked about the criteria for purging voters. Leverette said the only time a voter would be purged is if they fail to update their address, or if they are inactive in 2 consecutive federal elections.

6. **Highway Superintendent** – absent, submitted report
7. **Property Assessor** – absent
8. **Registrar of Deeds** – absent, submitted report
9. **Trustee**

Tonya Davis reported that property tax receipts are up 24% over last year. Prior collection is up 40%. Mixed drink tax is also up. Sales tax increase is 56% overall. Tax relief income has increased to \$30,700 annually. Due to the equalization ratio, the amounts paid out to the elderly and veterans has decreased. The Trustee office has established a dropbox for payments for those who wish to submit payments after hours, or who wish to avoid coming inside the building.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

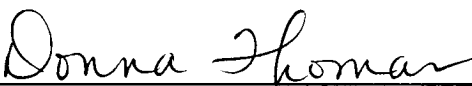
Commissioner Gallagher expressed his thanks on behalf of the residents of the 1<sup>st</sup> District, Union Ridge and Lazy Branch Roads, for the Community Development Block Grant which enabled them to get water. He thanked Mayor Graham and the Commission, Mayor Drake and the Wartrace Town Council, as well as Lori Fisher of the South Central Development District, who put together the grant application. He also thanked Senator Shane Reeves and Representative Pat Marsh who made the final push on the state level. He especially thanked Governor Lee who set aside money to make this happen.

**ADJOURN**


There being no further business before the Board, Yockey made a motion to adjourn and Chairman Graham declared the meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

  
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**Chairman Chad Graham**  
**Bedford County Board of Commissioners**

I certify that the minutes were completed on the 20th day of October and delivered to the Bedford County Mayor's Office.

  
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**Donna Thomas**  
**Bedford County Clerk**

I certify that I received these minutes on the 27 day of October, 2020.

  
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**Chad Graham**  
**Bedford County Mayor**