



BEDFORD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS COURTHOUSE AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE MINUTES

Date: Tuesday, July 21, 2020
Time: Consecutive After Law Enforcement
Location: Third Floor Courtroom, Bedford County Courthouse

Present: Chairman Julie Sanders; Co-Chairman Jeff Sweeney, Commissioner Chasity Gunn

Absent: Commissioners Brent Smith and Brian Farris

Others Present: County Commissioners: Greg Vick, Linda Yockey, Sylvia Pinson, Chief Deputy: Nikia Elliott, EMA Director: Scott Johnson, Archives Director: Carol Roberts, Probation Director: Jason Sudberry, Juvenile Detention Director: Kellee Smith, Jay Graham, GIS/Media Manager: John Carney, Assistant to Mayor Graham: Anna Frazier, EMS: Mike Matthews, Randy Saddler with Shelbyville Record Shop, and others not identified

Via Phone/Internet: Commissioners John Brown, Animal Control Director: Maria Hughes, and others not identified

- 1. Call Meeting to Order:** Chairman Julie Sanders, 5:38 p.m.
- 2. Prayer:** Commissioner Sweeney
- 3. Roll Call:** three present, two absent
- 4. Approval of June 16, 2020 Courthouse & Property Committee meeting minutes:** Motion made to approve, (Gunn, Sweeney) unanimous.
- 5. Zoning and Planning Reports:** Director White was not present.
- 6. IT Reports:** Director Josh Carney was present, but had nothing to add to his report.
- 7. Fire Department:** Fire Chief Mark Thomas was present. Front line engine is down and waiting on parts. Chief Thomas is tracking smoke detectors installed in homes. The state provides the smoke detectors. The installation service, offered by the city and county, is free to residents. Commissioner Gunn asked how residents take advantage of this service. Chief Thomas said there is paperwork residents must complete. Once the application is approved, the state will provide detectors to the home. The resident then schedules an appointment with the fire department, at the resident's convenience, to install the smoke detectors.
Chief Thomas requested the transfer of a fire truck, no longer able to support the department properly to the highway department for their use when working on roads. The highway department will need to register and purchase tags for the vehicle.
Commissioner Gunn made a motion to forward the request to the commission for approval, at zero dollars. Commissioner Sweeney seconded the motion.



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8. 911 Communications Report: Director not in attendance.

9. Motion to approve all reports: (Sweeney, Gunn) unanimous.

10. OLD BUSINESS

- a) **Judicial Center Updates:** Co-Chairman Sweeney said Tony Hayes is the new point of contact with Bell Construction. There are some issues with the HVAC unit. A new reporting system is in place to keep directors and other personnel informed of work completed or pending. Commissioner Sweeney has a conference call with Bell Construction every two weeks to review items.
- b) **Juvenile Detention Center:** Commissioner Yockey provided data requested by the committee and said the commission must decide whether the county has a juvenile detention center or not. Finance Director, Robert Daniel, explained the cost estimates report distributed to the committee. Commissioner Yockey asked the committee for a study session. Co-Chairman Sweeney made a motion to schedule a study session in two weeks and concluded by saying this is a short-term investment in the youth of Bedford County versus a potential long-term expense. Chairman Sanders scheduled the study session for August 4th at 5:00 p.m.
- c) **Drivers License Study Committee:** Speaking on behalf of the drivers license study group, Scott Johnson said the group recommends the county-owned business complex located on Dover Street, suite 200. Mr. Johnson asked the committee to make a recommendation to the full commission to approve use of the space and to keep the current location closed until the drivers license center moves to the new location. Commissioner Sweeney made the motion to send to the commission the request to move the drivers license center to the business complex and to keep the drivers license center closed until the new location is available. Seconded by Commissioner Gunn. Motion passed unanimously.
- d) **Bedford County Health Department Expansion:** Mayor Graham asked the committee to consider sending to the commission the request for a long-term lease between the County and the Bedford County Health Department to use for preventative care. The space requested is located at suite 108 in the county-owned business complex center at 200 Dover Street. Commissioner Gunn made a motion to send to the full Commission with recommendation. Commissioner Sweeney seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.



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11. NEW BUSINESS

- a) Authorize Memo of Understanding to enter negotiations regarding a land swap.
Co-Chair Sweeney advised this request is for an information meeting only.

12. ANNOUNCEMENTS –

Chairman Sanders mentioned the August 4th study session on the juvenile detention center at 5:00 p.m. The study session will occur in the second-floor courtroom of the historic Bedford County courthouse.

- 13. Adjourn:** (Gunn motion) unanimous. 6:15 P.M.