

**COUNCIL WORK SESSION
MONDAY, JANUARY 2, 2012**

7:15 P.M. PROMPT

- **DISCUSSION OF AGENDA -**
- **EXECUTIVE SESSION - Personnel**

Bedford, Ohio

January 2, 2012

Bedford City Council met in a Work Session at Bedford City Hall on Monday, January 2, 2012 at 7:15 p.m.

Present: Council Members: Mayor Daniel Pocek, Warner Batten, Stan Koci, Marilyn Zolata, Paula Mizsak, Donald Saunders, Greg Pozar. Also Present: Clerk of Council Lorree Villers. Administration: Finance Director Frank Gambosi, Law Director Ken Schuman, City Manager, Henry J. Angelo. Absent: None.

Mayor Pocek began discussion of the Organizational Meeting agenda.

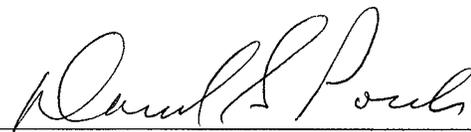
Council and the Administration touched briefly on a couple of subjects they would have to address in 2012.

Discussion of the Organizational agenda was concluded.

At 7:39 p.m., Bedford City Council went into an executive session to discuss personnel. Executive Session adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

At 7:51 p.m., Bedford City Council adjourned to conduct the Organizational Meeting.


Clerk of Council


Mayor – President of Council

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
AGENDA

BEDFORD CITY COUNCIL
STATE OF OHIO
COUNTY OF CUYAHOGA

DATE: January 2, 2012
TIME: 8:00 P.M.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **SWEARING IN CEREMONIES**
 - Ward 2 Stanley Koci*
 - Ward 4 Paula Mizesak*
 - Ward 6 Donald Saunders*
4. **ROLL CALL**
5. **NEW BUSINESS**
 - a. Motion appointing Vice-Mayor
6. **INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS**
7. **ADJOURNMENT**
8. **RECEPTION**

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(Council minutes and agenda posted at www.bedfordoh.gov)

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Mayor Pocek welcomed everyone to the Organizational Meeting being held on Monday, January 2, 2012 at 8:00 P.M. The Mayor asked everyone to stand and pledge allegiance to the flag.

Ward 2	Stanley Koci sworn in by his wife Marilyn and granddaughter Madison.
Ward 4	Paula Mizsak sworn in by Clerk of Courts Tom Day.
Ward 6	Donald Saunders sworn in by his two sons Mathew and Andrew.

Councilman Stanley Koci introduced his family and friends in the audience. He noted this was the start of his fifth term and he has enjoyed the last 10 years. He said he was first sworn in February 2001 and thought by not having an opponent this election put him under more pressure. He noted there were a few economic challenges the City had to face. He was looking forward to being able to bring the departments back to full staffing. He thought the City had accomplished a lot of positive things over the last 10 years but the City had a long way to go.

Councilwoman Paula Mizsak introduced her family and friends in the audience. She thanked Mr. Day for being here to swear her in tonight. Mr. Day stated it was an honor to be given the opportunity to swear-in Councilwoman Mizsak because she had served on Council for 15 years and 10 years previously on the Zoning Board of Appeals. Councilwoman Mizsak said this was her seventh term and this would be the start of her sixteenth year. She felt she had accomplished a lot in her Ward and she served her constituents.

Councilman Donald Saunders introduced his friends and family in the audience. He was proud to say that Council and the Administration worked hard at passing a balanced budget by the end of the year. He pointed out the length of time of all the council members present this evening. It was determined that there was 125 years of experience combined with the members on Council. The next couple years for the City were going to be very trying times for the City and Council's experience will be a benefit for the City. Councilman Saunders introduced one of his employers Trustee Rosemary Snell from Sagamore Hills. He announced his recent promotion as the Sagamore Hills Head Zoning Inspector. He was also the Northfield Center Township Zoning Inspector.

The roll was called. Present: Mizsak, Pocek, Pozar, Saunders, Zolata, Batten, Koci. Absent: None.

Motion made by Batten seconded by Pozar to appoint Councilman Koci as Vice Mayor. There were no other nominations. The roll was called. Vote – Yeas: Mizsak, Pocek, Pozar, Saunders, Zolata, Batten, Koci. Nays: None. Motion carried unanimously.

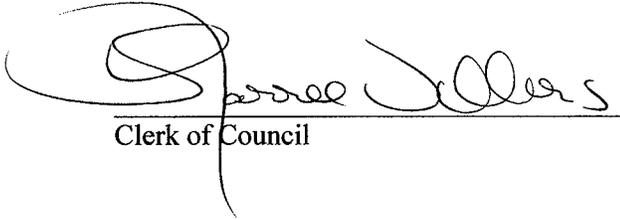
The Mayor introduced several people in the audience. He also asked Pastor Boquist to say a few encouraging words this evening before adjourning. Pastor Boquist said he had been in Bedford for 5 ½ years and it was a very welcoming community. He stated he was very pleased with the team effort of the schools, government and churches who worked closely to make Bedford and the schools a better place. He mentioned the World Changers Program which proved the community worked together. The efforts spoke volumes about the community. Pastor Boquist closed with a prayer as requested by the Mayor.

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

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Meeting adjourned at 8:21 P.M.



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