

RULES AND LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE
Minutes for Dec.20, 2011
3rd Floor Bedford County Courthouse at 5:00 PM

Present: Jimmy Woodson, Ed Castleman, Jimmy Patterson, Tony Barrett and Chairman, Biff Farrar

Others Present: County Commissioners, Billy King, Jeff Yoes, Tony Smith, Mark Thomas, Linda Yockey, Don Gallagher, Bobby Fox, John Brown and Denise Graham; Bedford County Mayor, Eugene Ray; Times Gazette Reporter, John Carney; Director of Finance, Robert Daniel; and Executive Assistant to County Mayor, Anita Epperson.

1. **Call the meeting to order** – Chairman, Biff Farrar
2. **Roll Call** – all present

 Absent- none
3. **Prayer** – Commissioner Barrett
4. **Approval of the Nov. 15, 2011, Rules and Legislative Committee minutes** – Motion made to approve, (Castleman, Patterson) unanimous.
5. **Consideration of placing the approval of the Dec.13, 2012 Commission minutes on the Jan.10, 2012 Commission Agenda** – Motion made to approve without recommendation, (Woodson, Castleman) unanimous.
6. **Consideration of placing the notary applicants on the Jan. 10, 2012 Commission agenda as requested by County Clerk Kathy Prater** – Motion made to approve, (Castleman, Woodson) unanimous.
7. **OLD BUSINESS**
8. **NEW BUSINESS -**
 - A. **Consideration of appointments to 911 Communications Board. Districts 1 and 6 time has expired. Dixie Parker is currently serving in District 1; Curt Cobb is currently serving in District 6. Consider revisiting 911 Communications Board to be sure all safety personnel are represented.** –Mayor Ray requested to speak with Curt Cobb and Dixie Parker about accepting nomination. Motion was made to place Mayor Ray’s Request to speak to representatives and to extend 911 communication board to 10 members to include all safety departments, with a recommendation. (Woodson, Patterson) Unanimous with recommendation. *Item to be placed on the Jan. 10, 2012 County Commission Agenda.*
 - B. **Consideration of naming the bridge on Sinking Creek on Hwy. 64W. “PFC Larry Wayne Neill” Memorial Bridge.** - After discussion a decision was made to leave in study. Mayor Ray was asked to contact Fay Neill Golczynski to let her know it has to be a county bridge not a state bridge for the county to make a decision and there are several rules and regulations. The Committee suggested investigating a memorial for all Vietnam Veterans from Bedford County.
 - C. **Recognition of judges per Mayor Ray-** Motion to place on the Courthouse and Property Committee. (Woodson, Patterson) Unanimous.
 - D. **Representative from ISWA-** Mayor Ray stated he needs to make a recommendation to ISWA Board and the Regional Board. Mayor Ray would like to nominate Stanley Smotherman to the ISWA Board and Mark Clanton to the Regional Board. Motion was made to accept (Barrett, Castleman) unanimous with a recommendation. *Item to be placed on the Jan. 10, 2012 County Commission Agenda.*

8. **ANNOUNCEMENTS** – Mayor Ray said John Teague had contacted him about the Ag Center Board and would like to request Tony Barrett and Bo Wilson go back on the board. Their term is expiring. Motion was made to approve (Woodson, Castleman) unanimous. *Item to be placed on the Jan. 10 2012 County Commission Agenda.*

Holiday Schedule closed Dec. 23, 23, 26 and Jan. 2nd.

10. **ADJOURN:** 5:22 PM (Patterson, Farrar) unanimous.