

The Council of the City of Centerville, County of Montgomery, State of Ohio, met on Monday, July 10, 2017, at 7:30 P.M. for a Special Meeting in the Council Chambers of the Centerville Municipal Building. The meeting was opened with an Invocation given by Mayor Compton, and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag with Mayor Brooks Compton presiding. Councilmembers and City Staff were present as follows:

Councilmembers      Belinda Kenley  
                                 Mark Engert  
                                 JoAnne Rau  
                                 Bill Serr  
Clerk of Council Carin Andrews  
Interim City Manager Jennifer Wilder  
Finance Director Jonathan Hudson  
City Planner Andrew Rodney  
Economic Development Administrator Nathan Cahall  
Public Works Director Doug Spitler  
City Engineer Jim Brinegar  
Municipal Attorney Scott Liberman

Mayor Compton requested a motion to excuse the absence of Councilmembers John Beals and John Palcher. Mr. Serr made a motion which was seconded by Mrs. Rau and was passed 5-0.

There being no Minutes for approval, Communications, Officials Reports or Consent Agenda, Mayor Compton thanked Jennifer Wilder for acting as the Interim City Manager for the City. He then moved to Old Business.

PUBLIC HEARING: ORDINANCE 16-17  
SUBMISSION TO A VOTE TO AMEND CITY CHARTER

Mr. Liberman gave the explanation of Ordinance 16-17, An Ordinance Authorizing The Submission To A Vote Of The Qualified Electors Of The City Of Centerville Amendments To The Charter Of The City Of Centerville, Ohio And To Place The Same On The Ballot At The General Election For November 7, 2017. The Charter Commission made a number of recommendations for changes and the following proposed changes will appear as one vote on the ballot:

1. revising the Preamble to remove reference to Montgomery County;
2. revising Section 1.01 to remove the reference to Montgomery County;
3. revising Section 4.03 to provide that in the vacancy in the office of both the Mayor and Deputy-Mayor, the Council shall elect a new Deputy-Mayor;
4. revising Section 4.10 to provide twenty-four (24) hour notice of special meetings except in an emergency;

5. revising Section 5.01 to clarify Council's use of resolutions to express policy or opinion and that such resolutions do not establish permanent or general legislation;
6. revising section 5.03 to modify and update the methods and technology used to publish ordinances;
7. revising section 5.05 to remove the 75 day expiration of emergency ordinances;
8. revising section 6.04 to remove the restriction of the City Manager to appeal a suspension or removal action;
9. revising sections 10.01, 10.02 and 10.03 to replace the term competitive exams with competitive processes; and
10. establishing section 12.04(d) to allow City Council the ability to make non-substantive revisions to the Charter in the future limited to errors of grammar, sentence construction, standardization of similar modification, change, or correction without affecting the meaning?

Passage of this Ordinance as required by the Ohio Constitution requires a five Councilmember vote, and if passed, the Clerk will provide a certified copy of the Ordinance to the Board of Elections of Montgomery and Greene Counties. A full listing of all of the Charter Amendments will then be advertised in the newspaper for two weeks prior to the November election.

Mayor Compton inquired about Item #8 asking for clarification that this would allow the City Manager to appeal any suspension. Mr. Liberman answered in the affirmative. Mayor Compton added that this is the first time in 24 years that Charter amendments have been placed on the ballot.

Mayor Compton opened the Public Hearing and seeing no one come forward closed the Public Hearing and asked for a motion to approve Ordinance 16-17.

Mrs. Kenley sponsored Ordinance 16-17 and moved that it be passed. Mr. Serr seconded the motion, and the Ordinance was passed with a 5-0 vote.

There being no citizens comments Mayor Compton moved to New Business

#### RESOLUTION APPOINTING A CITY MANAGER OF THE CITY OF CENTERVILLE, OHIO

Mr. Liberman gave the explanation of the Resolution which appoints a new City Manager whose contract will take effect on August 21, 2017.

Mayor Compton provided an explanation of the steps taken hiring the new City Manager which began after Mr. Horn's announcement of his retirement. At that time Council discussed how they would go about seeking his replacement. It was concurred amongst

Council to hire Novak Consulting of Cincinnati, Ohio to assist in conducting a nationwide search. After potential candidates were reviewed, extensive interviews through the resume process were conducted. With the assistance of Municipal Attorney Mr. Liberman a contract was prepared for Mr. Wayne Davis. Deputy Mayor Kenley and Councilmembers Serr and Rau added their commentary on the interviewing process and the emerging consensus that occurred amongst Council in making this decision for the best choice for the City of Centerville. All of the candidates that came to Centerville for a meet and greet with City Staff were all enthusiastic and complimentary of the City of Centerville.

Mr. Serr sponsored Resolution 38-17, A Resolution Appointing Wayne Davis As City Manager Of The City Of Centerville, Ohio And Authorizing The Execution Of An Employment Agreement Specifying The Conditions Of The City Manager's Employment In Addition To Those Contained In The City Charter. Mrs. Rau seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0 with a roll call vote.

The Mayor thanked Mr. Liberman, City Staff and all involved for their assistance with the process of searching for a City Manager.

Council was resuming their work session meeting, so prior to adjourning the meeting, Mayor Compton asked for a motion to go into Executive Session for personnel and litigation. Mr. Engert made a motion to move to Executive Session for the purpose of litigation to consult with the City attorney regarding pending or imminent court action. Mrs. Kenley seconded the motion and it passed with a 5-0 vote.

The Special meeting was adjourned at 7:50 P.M. by Mayor Compton, and Council moved to the Law Library to resume their work session. The next regular meeting of the Centerville City Council was scheduled for Monday, July 17, 2017 and 7:30 P.M.

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

  
Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

  
Clerk of Council