

Centerville City Council  
Work Session Meeting  
November 19, 2012

TIME: 7:30 P.M.

PLACE: Centerville Municipal Building  
Mayor Mark Kingseed  
Deputy Mayor Brooks Compton  
Councilmembers: John Beals  
Paul Gresham  
Belinda Kenley  
James Singer

Clerk of Council Debra James  
City Manager Gregory Horn  
Finance Director Steven Hinshaw  
City Planner Steven Feverston  
Public Works Director Robert James  
City Engineer Douglas Spitler  
Assistant to the City Manager Jennifer Wilder  
Economic Development Administrator Nathan Cahall  
Municipal Attorney Scott Liberman


Dayton Daily News-Terry Morris

Mr. Singer noted that some residents from Village South would be speaking at the following Council Meeting to voice their concerns about the Voss parking lot expansion on the north side of Loop Road. The contractor raised the elevation of the property an additional two to three feet for the parking lot pad, and the area is twice the approved size. A stop work order was issued; staff has asked for the plans from Judge Engineering. Any modifications to the original approved plan for the site would have to go to the Planning Commission

Mr. Horn announced that Representative Peter Beck of Mason, who is the Chair of the House Ways and Means Committee of the Ohio Legislature, is holding meetings concerning House Bill 601, a tax uniformity measure that is significantly different from recommendations made by local governments of southwest Ohio in collaboration with local CPAs. Municipal representatives throughout the State are working to oppose the measure. A resolution of opposition to House Bill 601 is on the Council Consent Agenda at the meeting following this one. It is estimated that the passage of HB 601 would cost the City an additional \$700,000 in lost revenue annually. The two main issues are the expansion of the 12 day rule to 20 days and the five year phase in of the net operating loss carry forward (which we currently do not permit). Mrs. Kenley asked Mr. Horn to send Council talking points with regard to this House Bill as it is being proposed. Mayor Kingseed pointed out that Cities have the responsibility to pay for police protection, roads and services that help businesses to function. It was felt that the bill works more for tax avoidance than for tax uniformity.

Mr. Horn announced that the Dayton Daily News may be doing a story on Municipal

Lighting in our area. The City has cut back their holiday lighting over the past couple of years due to the economy. We currently spend \$5,000 - \$10,000 a year and the City Building and gazebos are no longer decorated. The City decorates the light poles along Main Street and the trees in the downtown Architectural Preservation District. It was suggested that more Christmas lighting is needed at Benham's Grove. It was noticed at the annual Christmas Tree Ceremony held on Sunday, November 18. Mr. Horn stated that he would talk to Mrs. Gopman and Mrs. Blommel with regard to that matter.

  
Debra A. James  
Clerk of Council

Approved   
C. Mark Kingseed, Mayor