Centerville City Council Work Session Meeting November 14, 2011

TIME: PLACE:

6:00 P.M. Centerville Municipal Building Mayor C. Mark Kingseed Deputy Mayor Doug Cline Councilmembers: John Beals Brooks Compton Paul Gresham Jim Singer Clerk of Council Debra James City Manager Gregory Horn Finance Director Steven Hinshaw Assistant to the City Manager Jennifer Wilder Assistant to the City Manager Kristen Gopman

Resident Rodney Miller

Mrs. Wilder gave a presentation of the recommendations for the 2012 Golf Fees, Rules and Regulations for the Golf Club at Yankee Trace. She noted that the biggest challenges have been 60 days of rain and the fact that private clubs in the area are offering no initiation fees to join their golf courses. She explained that the 18-hole and 9-hole junior rates will increase \$1.00; a 10% discount for Residents will be offered on green fees and memberships only; no price changes are being recommended for annual memberships. Non-residents who pay a predetermined amount of Centerville earnings tax will now be eligible for the Centerville resident discount on the golf rates.

Council agreed to reappoint Betty Lou Carney to the Arts Commission and Jaime Garrett to the Board of Architectural Review.

Mr. Horn noted that at the Gov Tech meeting there was discussion about the rash of home burglaries that have been happening in the southern suburbs.

Mr. Cline entered the meeting at this time.

This led to the discussion of the Tactical Crime Suppression Unit. Mr. Dave Williams has announced his retirement and his position at MVCC will be advertised. TCSU was formed to pool resources and work collectively with the eight member cities of the Miami Valley Communications Council to solve crimes regionally. Mr. Horn reported that at the Gov Tech meeting it was felt that a change in funding needs to take place. With the uncertain economic realities jurisdictions are pulling Law Enforcement Officers out of TCSU. The two main issues that were discussed were staffing and equity issues. Mr. Horn will keep Council apprised of this matter. Mr. Rodney Miller entered the meeting at this time.

There was a brief discussion regarding the Library access drive project. Mr. Horn mentioned that staff will be meeting with Mrs. Kim Senft-Paras, Director of the Library, on December 6. It was suggested that making the exit from Woodbourne Library a right turn only would solve the safety concerns, and whether the City should take that position.

Mayor Kingseed asked Council to check calendars for the end of January or first weekend in February for the Council Retreat. Everyone is to let Mrs. James know his or her availability. Possible dates for the retreat in 2012 are January 28 or February 4. Mrs. Gopman will check to see if Benham's Grove is available for the retreat.

The Annual Budget for 2012 was addressed with Dr. Steven Hinshaw during the budget review. The City has been very prudent about reducing the budget the last four-five years. Because the City is preparing for State revenue reductions of \$1.5 to \$2 million annually, Council and Staff have been very diligent at looking at all aspects of the budget. The City is in for more changes (cuts) in the next two to three years.

James Debra A. James

Clerk of Council

Approved