

Centerville City Council
Work Session Meeting
January 12, 2009

TIME: 7:00 P.M.
PLACE: Centerville Municipal Building
Deputy-Mayor Douglas Cline
Councilmembers: John Beals
Brooks Compton
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
Assistant to the City Manager Kristen Gopman
Economic Development Administrator Nathan Cahall
Municipal Attorney Scott Liberman

A short meeting of the Centerville Community Improvement Corporation was held for the election of officers for the year 2009.

Mr. Beals made a motion to convene into Executive Session regarding personnel. Mrs. Kenley seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted in four ayes in favor of the motion. After no official business was conducted, Mrs. Kenley made a motion to adjourn out of the executive session. Mr. Beals seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted in four ayes in favor of the motion.

Mr. Zach Zettler from Cole & Russell Architects reviewed a handout for the proposed Public Works Facility regarding LEED certification information. LEED certification is the recognized standard for measuring building sustainability and is designed to promote design and construction practices that increase profitability and reduce negative environmental impacts.

Mr. Singer entered the meeting at this time.

Mr. Zettler went on to explain that the LEED rating system has four certification levels for new construction—Certified, Silver, Gold and Platinum. This system corresponds to the number of credits accrued in five areas of sustainability: site, water, energy and atmosphere, materials and resources, and indoor environmental quality. Council supports the concept of going green, whenever feasible, and of ensuring that the new Public Works Facility is as efficient as possible while balancing the budget and practicability. As administrators of public money,

Council must also consider the economic times. After some discussion, it was requested that an analysis of the payback period for a higher efficiency heating and air conditioning system be investigated, with particular attention to the life cycle of the two systems. Also, an itemization was requested regarding low flow and water efficient plumbing fixtures. Mr. Zettler will follow up to Mr. Rob James who will report back to Council when he receives the information.

Mr. Steve King, Image Works, and Dr. Linda Caron, Wright State University, presented to Council a model of the proposed Fire/EMS Memorial to be located in Stubbs Park. A handout listed vendors and suppliers for the Memorial. The newly proposed site for the Memorial is a location close to the amphitheatre and band shell. A juried arts committee was put together and 14 entries were received from talented artists. Three finalists were chosen and Jon Barlow Hudson's entry was selected. The total size of the proposed Memorial is 40' x 40' x 40'. Mr. King gave a detailed description of the Memorial and explained the symbolism of the elements to be constructed. Mr. Liberman is drafting a License Agreement between the City of Centerville and the Miami Valley Firefighter/EMS Memorial Association. Construction is expected to begin sometime between May and late August, 2009.

Mr. Spitler reviewed the need for legislation related to the multi-use trail system. In 2005, the Multi-Use Trail Task Force was formed adopting the Creating Community Connections Multi-Use Trail Plan with goals and objectives for existing and future trails in our community. Council passed a Resolution adopting the plan in February 2005. Mr. Spitler explained that, recently, the Board of Park Commissioners adopted an addendum to the Plan's Appendix B and updated three maps. Legislation on the agenda for the January meeting would approve the text changes to Appendix B and the addition of new sidewalks and trails at different locations in the Plan area. Council was in agreement to place the approval of the Addendum to Appendix B and the replacement maps on the Consent Agenda at the Council Meeting on January 26, 2009.

Mr. Horn reported during his City Manager's Report:

The City received a letter from Montgomery County regarding the amendment of the wireless 911 statute by the Ohio legislature. He will keep Council updated on the 911 Planning Committee once it has met.

Mr. William Glass has recently started a personal campaign critiquing the Yankee Trace food and beverage operations. He is a former part-time employee of Yankee Trace who did not complete a disciplinary process that had been initiated against him. Several times, Mr. Horn has offered to meet with Mr. Glass regarding his concerns. Recently Mr. Glass mailed a postcard to all residents in Yankee Trace seeking their comments and concerns regarding food and beverage operations.

A fire occurred in the Villager Apartment Complex on Friday, January 9, 2009. One of the buildings was a total loss. There were no injuries. Mr. Horn will request a full report from Fire Chief Bill Gaul with regard to the fire.


Mr. Horn announced that the Fire Department's Annual 2009 Appreciation Dinner will be held on Saturday, January 31, 2009, at Yankee Trace at six in the evening with dinner at seven.

Mrs. Kenley invited Council to "Art at the Trace." Sponsored by the Arts Commission, the event will take place at Yankee Trace on February 14. Ms. Kenley announced that she has been appointed by the Montgomery County Commissioners to the Montgomery County Green Task Force Committee for Economic Development. The goal is for Montgomery County to be a green friendly place that will be able to attract younger workers.

Mrs. Wilder reported that a press release regarding a program that will provide residents with prescription drug discount cards will be sent to the media. These cards offer an average savings of 20 percent off retail prices of prescription drugs. National League of Cities, CVS Caremark and the City are able to offer these money saving cards at no cost to the individual. The cards will be available starting January 20th at the Municipal Building, Public Works Building, Centerville Police Department and Yankee Trace.

The Mayor's Round Table Discussion is to be held at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, January 13, 2009. Area church leaders have been invited.

Mrs. Kenley made a motion to convene into Executive Session regarding litigation. Mr. Compton seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted in five ayes in favor of the motion. After no official business was conducted, Mrs. Kenley made a motion to adjourn out of the executive session. Mr. Beals seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted in five ayes in favor of the motion.


Debra A. James
Clerk of Council

Approved 
C. Mark Kingseed, Mayor