

Centerville City Council
Work Session Meeting
July 6, 2009

TIME: 7:00 P.M.
PLACE: Centerville Municipal Building
Mayor Mark Kingseed
Deputy-Mayor Douglas Cline
Councilmembers: John Beals
Brooks Compton
Belinda Kenley
James Singer
Assistant Clerk of Council Julie Weaver
City Manager Gregory Horn
Finance Director Steven Hinshaw
Public Works Director Robert James
Public Works Supervisor Werner Boehm
Assistant to the City Manager Jennifer Wilder
Economic Development Administrator Nathan Cahall

Citizen Joseph Drayer

Deputy-Mayor Cline made a motion to convene into Executive Session regarding Personnel. Mr. Compton seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted in six ayes. At such time, after no official business was conducted, Mr. Beals moved that Council adjourn out of Executive Session. Mr. Singer seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted in six ayes in favor of the motion.

Council concurred to place on the agenda of the meeting of July 20 the appointment of Kay Wick for a three year term on the Centerville Arts Commission and Allen Nelson for a three year term on the City Beautiful Commission.

Rob James reported concerning the automation of waste pickup within the City. The capital budget includes funds for a new truck for the fleet. Mr. James discussed the advantages and disadvantages of the types of trucks in the fleet and current statistics about participation in the automated system. Ideally, staff would like to recommend that Phase II begin for the initial route and that the option of using the toter trash carts and automated pick up be given to a second route. Council asked for updated cost comparisons. Mr. Horn will request that Mrs. Gopman's data on refuse rates for the area be put in the Friday packets. Council favored encouraging a greater percentage of customers to participate through education and marketing, rather than immediately issuing a mandate. Council asked staff to prepare a proposal on how to proceed.

Mr. Horn reported the following:

- The report concerning police and public works overtime related to Americana will be ready in a few weeks.
- There have been no responses to several calls by Mayor Kingseed and Mr.

Horn to Sam Rosenwald, owner of the Elder Beerman property. The delay in finalizing the Kroger deal has put the grant for Sheehan Road improvements at high risk.

- The Public Works Department will host an employee picnic at Stubbs Park on Tuesday, July 21, at 11:30 a.m.
- Mr. Liberman has sent a letter to the owners of the Karras property detailing what still needs to be done at the historical house to avoid legal action by the City.
- Mr. Horn stated that our earnings taxes continue to be up slightly while most other jurisdictions around are down at least 8-10%.

Because of increasing costs, Mr. Horn asked if Council would like to consider mailing the Town Crier four times a year instead of six. Council asked for the cost analysis. Mr. Beals noted that more articles could be posted on the website in order to keep the citizens informed.

Mr. Cahall stated that he is working with the State of Ohio and has communicated with several groups looking to relocate. Some would be interested in pre-existing structures, and others would require new development.

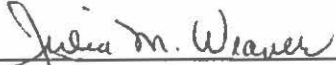
Mr. Horn and Mr. Cahall noted that the EDGE program is facing possible changes within the next couple of years. Many communities are looking at whether it makes sense to participate because of the way the system is currently run. The two also noted that money is often not available to us because of our population while larger cities like Kettering receive significant funds.

The Mayor and Mr. Beals commented on the Americana Concert. Council asked Staff to share with those who organize the event that the concert should be limited to 1½ hours, have no intermission, and focus on patriotic music because of the nature of the holiday.

It was agreed that a Neighborhood Meeting should be organized for Monday, October 5 at St. Leonard.

Mr. Horn will check on a golf outing for Council at Yankee Trace on Monday, August 3 at 5:30 p.m., with an alternate date of July 27.

Mr. Singer asked that an update on the Clyo Road extension be included in the next *Town Crier*.



Julia M. Weaver
Assistant Clerk of Council

Approved 

C. Mark Kingseed, Mayor