

Centerville City Council  
Work Session Meeting  
October 1, 2007

TIME: 7:00 P.M.  
PLACE: Centerville Municipal Building, Law Library  
PRESENT: Mayor C. Mark Kingseed  
Councilmembers: Brooks Compton  
Robert Corbin  
Susan Lienesch  
Clerk of Council Debra James  
City Manager Gregory Horn  
Finance Director Mark Schlagheck  
City Planner Steven Feverston  
City Engineer Douglas Spitler  
Management Analyst Kristen Gopman  
Municipal Attorney Scott Liberman  
Intern Brian Wafzig

Citizen Phil Whittaker

Mr. Horn explained that Brian Wafzig has put together information from other communities regarding how they handle leader signs. There was a request from a Realtor to amend the Code to permit open house signs on Sunday afternoons. The Code currently eliminates any off property leader signs. Mr. Wafzig gave a short presentation and showed some pictures of commercial signs that were taken over the past two weekends around the community. Mr. Wafzig stated that all of the other communities have sign ordinances, but he found that they do not have an allowance for commercial signs. There are differences in enforcement among the different municipalities. Council will revisit this issue at a future Work Session Meeting.

Mr. Feverston explained that at the end of July the Planning Commission recommended an amendment to the City's Zoning Ordinance as it relates to signage. The Planning Commission's recommendation is to ban all LED signs in the City. Mr. Horn advised that, if a compromised approach is sought, it would require a considerable amount of careful drafting. There was a concern if it is realistic to ban all LED signs in the City. The Planning Commission is interested in coming in to a Work Session to discuss this issue with Council. Mr. Feverston will get in touch with the members of the Planning Commission to see if the next Work Session Meeting will work with their schedules. Mrs. Lienesch felt it would be a great regional issue.

Council was in agreement that The Centerville Noon Optimist Club can use the parking lot (adjacent to the license bureau) on Kalaman Way for the 2007 Christmas Tree Sales.

Mr. Horn announced a copy of the report filed with the Ohio Public Utilities Commission was received today regarding the Vectren natural gas rate increase. Vectren has filed

for a base rate increase. There will be more information following in the coming months.

Council did not have any problems with regard to the Savona Restaurant Liquor Permit Request. The Police Department is not requesting a hearing, and Mrs. James will submit the form to the Ohio Division of Liquor Control.

Mr. Horn stated that the final report is due on or around October 15<sup>th</sup>, regarding the City/Township Joint Fiscal Analysis. Mrs. Gopman has requested a right-of-review of the final copy in draft form. It may be a little later before the Washington Township Trustees and Councilmembers receive this report.

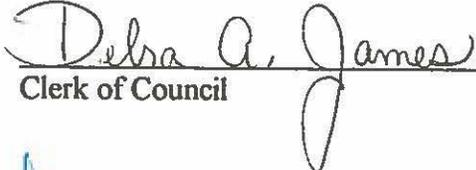
Mr. James reported on the Refuse Survey as the deadline was Friday, September 28<sup>th</sup> for responses to be returned: 1166 households voted in favor of the containerized option, and 249 households voted against it. 796 households have not submitted a response. A second letter will be sent out to those that have not responded to give them one more opportunity to voice their opinion.

Mr. Horn explained that at the August 20, 2007 Council Meeting, Council awarded a purchase of two cab and chassis units from Les Wenning Ford in Fort Recovery, Ohio. Mr. Wenning called and reported that a mistake had been made in the bid. After discussion it was agreed that there is a breach of contract and that Les Wenning Ford would have to forfeit their bid bond. Mr. Horn will contact Mr. Wenning to explain the situation from the City's perspective if it is required to go out to rebid.

Mr. Horn received an email from a couple requesting that the City recognize Shirley and Paul Heintz at the Yankee Trace Golf Course. Mr. Horn will correspond with them that Council is going to take it under consideration. It was suggested a room at Yankee Trace could be named in their honor for their dedicated service to the community.

Mr. Cline joined the meeting via a teleconference call as he was in Louisiana for a trip for the Hurricane Katrina Relief effort.

Mr. Corbin made a motion to convene into Executive Session regarding Personnel and Litigation. Mr. Compton seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted in five ayes. After no official business was conducted, Mr. Corbin moved that Council adjourn out of Executive Session. Mrs. Lienesch seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted in five ayes in favor of the motion.

  
Clerk of Council

Approved

  
C. Mark Kingseed, Mayor