

Centerville City Council
Work Session Meeting
May 1, 2006

TIME: 7:00 P.M.
PLACE: Centerville Municipal Building, Law Library
PRESENT: Mayor C. Mark Kingseed
Deputy-Mayor Douglas Cline
Councilmembers: James Singer
Susan Lienesch
Brooks Compton
Paul Gresham
Robert Corbin
Clerk of Council Debra James
City Manager Gregory Horn
Finance Director Mark Schlagheck
Public Works Director Robert James
City Engineer Douglas Spitler
Assistant to the City Manager Jennifer Wilder
Assistant to the City Manager Jenn Kuschnerus

Resident Jim Reppert
Raeann Sapp

Mr. James explained to Council that with regard to a Street Sweeper Purchase that he is proposing that the City go through Southeastern Equipment for a Schwarze A7000 sweeper body for a price of \$94,713.10 which is a State Bid; and that they were able to secure a better price from Tri-State Sterling for a SC-8000 Sterling cab and chassis for \$50,501.00. The total price is \$145,214.10. This would be a combination state bid/quote and would result in a savings of \$12,974.00 over the state bid which is for the identical sweeper/cab and chassis unit. A Resolution will be prepared for the May 15, 2006 Council Meeting and will authorize the City Manager to waive competitive bidding and purchase of a Sterling SC-8000 cab and chassis from Tri-State Sterling.

Mrs. Wilder continued to present to Council the Property Maintenance Code Task Force recommendations that have been presented at previous Work Session Meetings. The following items discussed were: Prohibiting Trash Pickup, Recreational Vehicles, Holiday Lights, Inflatable Decorations and Minimal Landscaping Requirements.

Mr. John Long, 68 Goldengate Drive, requested to discuss with Council an ongoing issue that he has with his neighbors dogs. This resident does not restrain her dogs. He also brought in a letter that was written by Ms. Gail Mednick regarding this problem. Mrs. Wilder stated that the City Staff

has been to this house on a number of violations. Mr. Corbin recommended to Mr. Long that he take pictures of the dogs in his yard. Mr. Horn will have the police department contact Mr. Long's neighbor for allowing her dogs to run at large and will also talk to other residents in the neighborhood.

Mr. Horn stated that he had had a meeting with Mr. John Beals of LJB, Inc. regarding the need for improved access to the Woodbourne Library and McDonalds Restaurant. Mr. Horn reviewed two design options that were discussed with Mr. Beals. Discussion followed and the reason Council initially brought Provident Bank and McDonalds into the picture was to help provide funding for the Library and believes it is a safety issue to citizens. It was suggested to have Mr. Beals provide a formal presentation to Council and the Library Board and to do a true study on the safety issues along State Route 48.

Mrs. Wilder had samples for the APD New Street Furniture. Council preferred the look of the current street furniture, which are wooden benches with some decorative wrought iron. Mrs. Wilder will come back to Council at a later date.

Mrs. Wilder discussed the High School Golf Team and the use of the Yankee Trace Golf Course. A compromise has been reached with the high school golf coach; we were able to lower the total rounds and some of their events will be played on other courses to help lessen the load on the Yankee Trace Golf Course. Mr. Horn believes we are headed in the right direction in working with the Golf Team.

Mrs. Kuschnerus asked for Council's input regarding the Fine Arts Market. The Arts Commission is looking to postpone it. Attendance has been declining - there has been discussion of moving it indoors, having it in the Fall and possibly alternating years. Council concurred to cancel the Fine Arts Market for this year.


Mr. Horn distributed copies of a draft Request for Proposal from Mr. Gary Huff with a counter proposal written by Mr. Horn regarding the City/Township Financial Analysis. He is waiting to hear a response from Mr. Huff.

Mr. Horn explained the proposed annexation of the 173 acres of the Dille property. Since Sugarcreek Township has filed an objection to this annexation with the Greene County Commissioners, we are awaiting a decision from the Commissioners on this annexation. The Greene County Commissioners have scheduled Tuesday, May 16, for discussion and Thursday, May 18, to vote on this annexation. Mrs. James is going to get a transcript of the April 3, 2006, Special Council Meeting made.

Mrs. Lienesch brought attention to the Franklin and Main Street intersection regarding middle schoolers safety concerns. She has noticed, especially on Friday afternoons after school is out, that there are pedestrians jumping out on the curb - engaging the traffic. The Police bicycle patrol was suggested as an option. Mr. Horn will look into this suggestion.

Dr. Gresham brought up the issue of the TEL Amendment (Tax Expenditure Limitation). He asked if Council would be interested in passing a Resolution opposing the TEL Amendment which is on the ballot as an Ohio Constitutional Amendment in November 2006. Discussion followed and Council is interested in passing this Resolution and will revisit this issue at a later Work Session.

Dr. Gresham raised a question as to the policies and regulations regarding age of children on the golf course. He expressed his concerns of seeing young children on the golf course and the safety issues.


Debra A. James
Clerk of Council

Approved 
C. Mark Kingseed, Mayor