

Centerville City Council  
Work Session Meeting  
February 7, 2005

**TIME:** 7:30 P.M.  
**PLACE:** Centerville Municipal Building, Law Library  
**PRESENT:** Mayor C. Mark Kingseed  
Councilmembers: James Singer  
Douglas Cline  
Susan Lienesch  
Robert Corbin  
Brooks Compton  
Clerk of Council Marilyn McLaughlin  
Assistant Clerk of Council Debra James  
City Manager Gregory Horn  
Finance Director Mark Schlagheck  
Assistant to the City Manager Jesse Lightle  
Assistant to the City Manager Jennifer Wilder  
City Engineer Douglas Spitler  
Economic Development Administrator Bill Covell

Mr. Horn spoke about his conversation with Debbie Teeters, owner of Joli's Boutique and Chairperson for the Heart of Centerville. Mr. Horn reviewed the City's commitment regarding financial support of the first annual "Hometown Holiday" back in December 2003. The City's financial support was not a permanent commitment of shared advertising costs, but rather a show of support for their initial efforts. There appears to be a misunderstanding regarding the City's continued support of the organization. Mr. Horn explained that the City has been very supportive of the organization and the efforts of the downtown area expending hundreds of thousands of dollars over the past few years in relation to the Architectural Preservation District. Council concurred to give the Heart of Centerville \$2,500.00 to help defray the cost for their advertising expenses. This is a one time expense and Mr. Horn is planning to attend the February 17<sup>th</sup> meeting for the Heart of Centerville's organization.

Mr. Horn reviewed the proposed I-675 ODOT Enhancement Project for the Ramp on SR 48. Mr. Covell explained that the City applied for a Federal Grant several years ago and the City was awarded \$330,000.00 for the project. The preliminary engineering has come in a lot higher than was originally anticipated. Council decided that they want to go back to the drawing board to use the federal funds that have been allotted. It was suggested to look into having more landscaping on the sides of the ramps and to be more cost effective. Mr. Covell will get back with Council.

Mr. James' report on Traffic Signalization Upgrade has been postponed as Mr. James went home from work due to illness.

Mr. Horn explained that Deena Ware, Intern for his Department, had given him a report

on Garden Plots at the Leonard E. Stubbs Memorial Park. Stubbs Park has a total of 54 plots available; and are open to anyone - not just Centerville residents. 19 Plots were rented in 2004. There has been a decrease in participation since 2001. Council concurred that the rates be raised and that this program to be self-sustaining.

Council also concurred that the following reappointments be made:  
Suzi Fischer - Centerville Arts Commission.  
Linda Meily - City Beautiful Commission.  
Lowell Stebbins - Board of Tax Appeals.

Mr. Horn reviewed information distributed during the meeting relative to rental inspection and registration. This matter will be discussed at a future Montgomery and Greene County Mayors and Managers Association meeting. Mrs. Lienesch asked for percentages relative to homes, condos and apartments.

Discussion followed relative to the Township's position on the Residential portion of the Land Use Plan included in Create the Vision. This will be an item for discussion at the February 14<sup>th</sup> Joint Meeting.

Mr. Horn reviewed the Restaurant operation at Yankee Trace. A suggestion was made to make the Academy Lounge into another meeting room and that the Restaurant not be open on Thursday and Sunday nights. Council agreed for Mr. Horn to move forward with regard to the Academy Lounge area and the reduction in hours for the restaurant during the winter months.

Mr. Compton moved that Council convene into Executive Session to discuss personnel and litigation. Mr. Cline seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted in six ayes in favor of the motion.

Approved: C. Mark Kingseed  
C. Mark Kingseed, Mayor

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