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Centerville City Council
Work Session Meeting
June 6, 2005

TIME: 7:00 P.M.
PLACE: Centerville Municipal Building, Law Library
Mayor C. Mark Kingseed
Deputy-Mayor Douglas Cline
Councilmembers: Susan Lienesch
Brooks Compton
Paul Gresham
Robert Corbin
James Singer
Clerk of Council Marilyn McLaughlin
Assistant Clerk of Council Debra James
City Manager Gregory Horn
Public Works Director Robert James
City Engineer Douglas Spitler
Finance Director Mark Schlagheck
Chief of Police Steve Walker
Human Resources Manager Michele York
Assistant to the City Manager Jennifer Kuschnerus
Assistant to the City Manager Jennifer Wilder
Municipal Attorney Scott Liberman

Mrs. York introduced herself to Council and listed the projects she is currently working on. She explained the Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA) and how light duty counts as FMLA leave.

Chief Walker gave an update on sex offenders and predators. There are two sex offenders that live in the City of Centerville within 1000 feet of a school who have been ordered to move by the Montgomery County Prosecuting Attorney. He distributed a list of sex offenders who live in Montgomery County. He explained the difference between sex offenders and predators. A sex offender is a person who is convicted or pleads guilty to a sexual offense; a predator is one who is convicted or pleads guilty to a sexually oriented offense.

Chief Walker advised that the Police Department no longer needs the CF-25 laptops which have been used in the cruisers. The West Carrollton and the Germantown Police Departments have advised that they may have a need for these laptops. Council concurred that the laptops be given to West Carrollton and/or Germantown.

Chief Walker explained the Tactical Crime Suppression Unit (TCSU) platform. Reports are now prepared electronically. He outlined the many programs available through TCSU.

Membership on the Property Maintenance/Zoning Code Task Force was discussed by Council. Mrs. Lienesch suggested that James Gallagher and Connie Pavlica become members-at-large. Mr. Cline suggested that Tom McCormick be considered as the third member-at-large. Other members of the Task Force are Susan Lienesch, Brooks Compton, Dan Carfagno and John Lohbeck. The Task Force will meet on the 4th Monday of the month at 7:00 P.M.

Mr. Horn advised that fifteen citizens need to be selected to serve on the Zoning Code/Subdivision Regulations/Unified Development Ordinance committee. This committee will react to documents prepared by ACP and will be needed for approximately nine months. Brooks Compton and Douglas Cline volunteered to serve on the committee. Names of other potential members should be given to Mr. Horn during the week.

Mr. Horn outlined a list of items for which the Dayton Cricket Organization is seeking cooperation and support from the City of Centerville. Council concurred that a couple of picnic benches be moved to the site from another location in the Leonard E. Stubbs Memorial Park. Their success will be reviewed at the end of the season.

The Neighborhood Improvement meeting scheduled for August 18, 2005 has been moved to August 25, 2005.

Mr. James explained the Franklin and Main Street intersection evaluation performed by LJB, Inc. He brought attention to specific issues contained in the report: As the City evaluates both pedestrian and vehicle operations, additional improvements at the intersection will be considered that address pedestrian safety concerns without increasing hazards for other users. The intersection currently meets or exceeds standards established by the City and by the Ohio Department of Transportation for low speed urban roadways. There is no accident history since the northeast corner has been improved. LJB recommends that nothing be done.

Mr. Horn advised that the Board of County Commissioners of Montgomery County has requested an easement from the City of Centerville for the installation of a sanitary and water line in the area of the Woodlands at Yankee Trace. There is an easement in the same location for electricity. Due to an urgency for this easement, Mr. Horn will grant it and his action will be ratified at the June 20, 2005 Council Meeting.

Mr. Horn advised that he and Mrs. Kuschnerus visited the petting Zoo at the Dr. Thomas Farm on East Franklin Street. A list of the animals at the zoo was distributed to Council. Dr. Thomas advised that all the animals are bred domestically from USDA farms and housed according to USDA guidelines.

Mr. Singer brought attention to items to be discussed at a future Workshop Session of the Miami Valley Communications Council. He asked for Council's reaction to cutting MVCC's budget and scaling back projects. Discussion followed relative to the vast number of programs offered by MVCC. Programs and projects outlined in the report will be reviewed by Mr. Horn, Mr. Singer, and Dr. Gresham to determine what could be eliminated.

Council concurred that the following reappointments be made:
Charles Graham - Board of Architectural Review.
Frederick Hess - Sister City Committee.
Paul Clark - Chairman, Planning Commission.
Mary Ann Gasior - Centerville Arts Commission.

Mr. Horn advised that the City's Local Government Fund will potentially be cut as follows: the Senate version by \$78,000.00, the House version by 138,000.00.

Mr. Horn announced that Jason Cambria applied for a Variance for a fence height for the Primrose Day Care Center. The Planning Commission during their meeting on May 31, 2005, denied his request. An Appeal has not yet been filed.

Mr. Horn advised that The City's contribution to the Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission to RAMP-up Lobbying Effort is \$4600.00.

Upon question of Mrs. Lienesch, Mr. Horn explained the City's Policy relative to the cutting of grass and weeds on one's property.


Marilyn J. McLaughlin
Clerk of Council

Approved 
C. Mark Kingseed, Mayor