

Centerville City Council
Work Session Meeting
February 11, 2002

TIME: 7:30 P.M.
PLACE: Centerville Municipal Building, Law Library
PRESENT: Mayor Sally Beals
Councilmembers: James Singer
Susan Lienesch
Douglas Cline
Paul Gresham
Roger Krass
Clerk of Council Marilyn McLaughlin
Assistant Clerk of Council Debra James
City Manager Gregory Horn

Council concurred that the following reappointments be made:
City Beautiful Commission - Linda Meily as Chairman and as a member.
Board of Tax Appeals - Lowell Stebbins.
Centerville Arts Commission - Robert Cahill.

Mr. Horn outlined a proposal recommended by Golf Professional Pat Bayley for volunteers at The Golf Club at Yankee Trace that their green fees be free but that they pay half price for the golf cart. Council concurred with this policy.


Mr. Horn reviewed his meeting with Kenneth Hahn, a resident in Village South, relative to the proposed developments by Tom Harrigan and Voss, both on the north side of Loop Road. Residents in Village South are not opposed to the plan discussed by Tom Harrigan but are very negative to the plans by Voss. They believe that the building is too large for the site and that the development should not penetrate into the buffer strip.

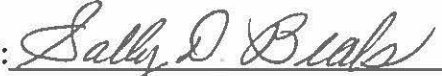
Mr. Horn advised that the hearing before the Board of County Commissioners, Montgomery County, relative to the annexation of 10.640 acres at the northwest corner of Alexandersville-Bellbrook Road and State Route 48 will be held on Tuesday, February 12, 2002. He advised that the City has two fall back plans if the split of Alexandersville-Bellbrook Road will not be approved.

Mr. Horn reported that Time Warner Cable will ask Municipalities to pass legislation to make cable theft illegal.

The meeting reconvened at the Washington Township Government Center to meet with Washington Township Trustees Terry Blair, Joyce Young and Lee Snyder to discuss the Fire Levy to be placed on the May Election Ballot. Also present at this meeting were Township Administrator Gary Huff and Township Finance Director Michael Barlow. Different scenarios were presented by Mr. Barlow to determine whether the Levy should be continuous or for a

period of five years. The Trustees favored a continuous Levy while Mr. Horn suggested a Levy to be placed on the November Ballot for a period of five years. Mr. Blair advised that the Levy cannot wait until November, the Levy placed on the Ballot in May will be that which is best for the Washington Township residents. A lengthy discussion pursued relative to what is best for the two entities in the future. Should the City separate from the Township or should the two become one? Pros and cons were exchanged concerning separation and unity relative to police service, fire service and public works. Emphasis was placed by members of City Council that many opportunities in the community are joint and so should the government be one. Mr. Horn outlined the many tax dollars that are wasted on differences between the City and the Township. It was agreed that this issue be revisited on February 25, 2002 following the Elected Official Training for Emergency Preparedness for a period of one hour. The Township will submit questions to the City and the City will submit questions to the Township which will be answered by the two entities during this one hour.


Marilyn J. McLaughlin, Clerk of Council

Approved: 
Sally D. Beals, Mayor