Centerville City Council Work Session Meeting September 10, 2001

TIME:

7:30 P.M.

PLACE:

Centerville Municipal Building, Law Library

PRESENT:

Mayor Sally Beals

Deputy-Mayor James Singer

Councilmembers:

Susan Lienesch

Roger Krass Paul Gresham Douglas Cline

Clerk of Council Marilyn McLaughlin

Assistant to the Clerk of Council Debra James

City Manager Gregory Horn

Assistant City Manager Judith Gilleland Finance Director Mark Schlagheck

Economic Development Administrator Chris Pozzuto

Assistant to the City Manager Jesse Lightle

Mr. Horn distributed to Council an article copied from the Dayton Business Journal relative to Cities joining in the opposition against the new Annexation Rules. Discussion followed relative to Centerville participating in a pledge match with other Municipalities to continue this opposition. Council concurred that Mr. Horn be authorized to expend up to \$10,000.00, if necessary, to continue the charge against the new Annexation Bill.

Mr. Horn suggested that Centerville apply for an Economic Development, Government Equity (EDGE) Grant to pay part of the Consultant's fee for the preparation of a Comprehensive Plan for the City of Centerville. Mr. Pozzuto advised that all applications for this type of funding have been approved for EDGE monies.

A meeting of the Centerville Community Improvement Corporation was held at this time, with President Douglas Cline presiding. Minutes of meetings held on January 10, 2000, September 27, 2000, and October 9, 2000 were distributed. Mayor Beals moved that the minutes of the before mentioned meetings be approved. Motion seconded by Dr. Gresham, the minutes were approved unanimously.

Mr. Schlagheck advised that Senate Bill 265 passed in the year 2000 revised reporting and auditing requirements for Community Improvement Corporations. The Bill now requires that an annual report be submitted to the Auditor of State. In order for an audit to begin, a Letter of Arrangement must be signed and returned to the Auditor of State. The cost of this audit will be approximately \$2,500.00. Mrs. Lienesch moved that the CCIC be authorized to expend the necessary funds for the annual audit. Mr. Singer seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Horn reported on the progress being made with the construction of the new nine holes at The Golf Club at Yankee Trace. Ten days of dry weather is needed for the seeding procedure to begin. Green fees are down by approximately \$17,000.00 from this time a year ago.

Mr. Schlagheck outlined the City's efforts to upgrade Centerville's bond rating to AA3. A presentation is being prepared to Moody's in order to attempt to achieve this upgrade from Centerville's current rating of A1.

Discussion followed relative to the cancellation of the Council Work Session scheduled for September 24, 2001. It appears at this time, that this meeting can be canceled.

Mayor Beals outlined a meeting she recently had with Sister City Committee members Carolyn Basford and Nancy Bowlus relative to a third world city as Centerville's Sister City. It was determined that funding for this would be a major concern.

Council concurred that a Resolution Of Support For "No On State Control Of Property Rights", be placed on the Agenda for the Council Meeting Scheduled for September 17, 2001.

Mr. Pozzuto advised that the South Metro Regional Chamber of Commerce is attempting to get consensus from all entities affected by the proposed Austin Road interchange to support the separation of the Austin Road interchange from State Route 892. A Resolution Of Support For The Proposed Austin Road Interchange, Which is Currently Being Studied As An I-75 Connector In Southern Montgomery County has been prepared for consideration by the five entities. This item will become a Council Meeting Agenda item for September 17, 2001.

Mr. Horn explained that the City of West Carrollton has asked the South Metro Regional Chamber of Commerce to facilitate a recommendation to the Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission that their interchange (Exit 47, Central Avenue/Dixie Drive with I-75) be considered for upgrade at this time. A Resolution of Support has been proposed for passage by several southern entities. The majority of Council concurred that this become an Agenda item for the September 17, 2001 Council Meeting and that it be passed with the intent that this interchange be secondary to the Austin Road interchange. Mr. Krass and Mrs. Lienesch did not offer their support for this caveat.

Mayor Beals announced the term expiration of Martha Sheley as a member of the Board of Architectural Review. Council concurred that Mrs. Sheley be reappointed to an additional term on the BAR.

Marilyn J. McLaughlin, Clerk of Council

Annroyed:

Sally D. Beals, Mayor