Centerville City Council Work Session Meeting November 26, 2001

TIME:

7:00 P.M.

PLACE:

Centerville Municipal Building, Law Library

PRESENT:

Deputy-Mayor James Singer

Councilmembers:

Susan Lienesch

Douglas Cline
C. Mark Kingseed
Paul Gresham

Roger Krass

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

Assistant to the City Manager Jesse Lightle

Mr. Horn advised that an EDGE grant from Montgomery County does not look favorable for funding assistance of a Comprehensive Plan for the City of Centerville.

Mr. Horn advised that the housing plan for the Ratterman Farm will be changed to include some single family homes along the northern portion of the property. This change will cause a delay in the construction for approximately 3 to 4 months. Due to this delay, Mrs. Ratterman has approached the City for a revised agreement for the purchase of the 13+ acreage in the amount of \$650,000.00. She has been advised by her Attorney that the old agreement is no longer valid. The cost of the home and its surroundings has been estimated at \$165,000.00. Discussion followed relative to the purchase of the 13+ acres, the house and its immediate surroundings, or both in one package. The majority of Council concurred that the City submit an offer to purchase the acreage for \$600,000.00 contingent upon an environmental review and to leave the door open for the purchase of the house with right of first refusal.

Mr. Horn reported that financial support for the referendum on Senate Bill 5 has been received from private enterprises and additional municipalities.

Council convened into a meeting of the Council Finance Committee of the whole to review the proposed Budget for the year 2002.

Clerk of Council

Approved:

Sally Q. Blass