

Centerville City Council  
Work Session Meeting  
February 15, 1999

TIME: 7:00 P.M.  
PLACE: Centerville Municipal Building, Law Library  
PRESENT: Mayor Sally Beals  
Deputy-Mayor James Singer  
Councilmembers C. Mark Kingseed  
Susan Lienesch  
James Reppert  
J. V. Stone  
Douglas Cline  
Clerk of Council Marilyn McLaughlin  
Assistant Clerk of Council Peggy Whisman  
City Manager Gregory Horn  
Assistant City Manager Judith Gilleland  
Public Works Director Steve Weaver  
City Planner Steve Feverston  
Municipal Attorney Robert Farquhar  
Assistant to the City Manager Kelly Fackel

Resident Robert Looper

Mr. Farquhar reviewed a proposed Ordinance to regulate the location, placement, and appearance of news racks within or adjacent to public rights-of-way and to provide for the registration of same. This Ordinance has been prepared as a business regulation, not a zoning issue. Mr. Farquhar explained the fact that there are a series of cases which hold that a City has the ability to regulate the size, shape, color and placement of news racks. Through his research he has found no decisions which hold that a City may not prohibit such news racks in the public rights-of-way. Council concurred that this legislation become an agenda item for the March 15, 1999 Council Meeting.

Mr. Farquhar explained the process for the City to take property at the northwest corner of Main and Franklin Street for the purpose of creating an easement for the construction of a Municipal parking lot. If a property owner donates land, the assessment can be waived. If the City has to take the property, the property owner is assessed for the improvements.

Mayor Beals brought attention to information received at a Dayton Chamber of Commerce breakfast at which Mayor Michael Turner made reference to an Ordinance passed by the City of New York which regulates the location of adult entertainment. Mr. Farquhar explained how Centerville has basically done the same, only using a different method.

Upon question of Mr. Singer, Mr. Feverston briefly outlined regulations for commercial and non-commercial signs in the City of Centerville.

Mr. Reppert moved that Council convene into Executive Session to consider the employment of and compensation for a public employee. Mr. Stone seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted in seven ayes in favor of the motion.

  
Marilyn J. McLaughlin  
Clerk of Council

Approved:   
Mayor