Centerville City Council Work Session Meeting August 9, 1999

 TIME:
 7:30 P.M.

 PLACE:
 Centerville Municipal Building, Law Library

 PRESENT:
 Mayor Sally Beals

 Deputy-Mayor James Singer
 Councilmembers:

 J. V. Stone

James Reppert C. Mark Kingseed Douglas Cline Susan Lienesch Clerk of Council Marilyn McLaughlin Assistant City Manager Judith Gilleland Director of Public Works Steve Weaver Assistant to the City Manager Kelly Fackel

City Council interviewed Sandy Milford and Suzanne Walk for appointment to fill one vacant seat on the Sister City Committee for the City of Centerville. Council concurred that Mrs. Walk be appointed at this time, and that Mrs. Milford be considered when another vacancy occurs.

Mr. & Mrs. John Beckley, 1102 E. Rahn Road; Mr. & Mrs. Michael Suhar, 1108 E. Rahn Road; Mr. & Mrs. Stafford, 922 E. Rahn Road; and Dana Bales, 934 E. Rahn Road, were present at this meeting to discuss with City Council the issue of sidewalk on the south side of East Rahn Road. Lee Allen, Dayton Daily News, was also present for this item on the agenda.

Kevin Stafford outlined comments made by residents on East Rahn Road as they carried a survey from door to door, and explained his observations for the need of sidewalk on the south side of Rahn Road. Cindy Stafford questioned the point system use for the rating of sidewalks needed on various streets in the City of Centerville. They both indicated their concurrence with being assessed for the sidewalk if that was the determination of the City.

Mr. Bales offered his consent to being assessed for sidewalk on the south side of East Rahn Road.

Mr. Suhar pointed out that not all residents on the south side of Rahn Road are in favor of the installation of sidewalk. He maintained that some of the residents who have indicated their desire for sidewalk would perhaps change their mind if being assessed. Most residents on Rahn Road moved in knowing that there were no sidewalks. Mr. Suhar, believing that the City's point system is adequate, stated his objection to the installation of sidewalk on the south side of East Rahn Road regardless of how they would be financed.

Mr. Beckley advised that he does not want to pay for the removal of trees on his property in order that sidewalk can be installed. He sees this as a violation of the open space concept.

Mrs. Stafford advised that out of 22 households surveyed on the south side of Rahn Road relative to the installation of sidewalk, 11 were in favor, 7 unable for comment, and 4 were opposed.

Mayor Beals advised that the following terms will soon expire: Board of Architectural Review member - Jack Gramann Sister City Committee members - Allen Haveman, Raymond Johnson Arts Commission member - John Malas. Council concurred that these reappointments be made.

Miss Gilleland distributed to Council a draft of a Members' Guide to Boards, Commissions, Committees and Task Forces prepared by Rachel Chapman, an intern working for the City of Centerville. She solicited comments, corrections, additions, etc.

Mrs. Lienesch presented to Council a letter outlining her position concerning the waiver requested by Airborne Express. Discussion followed concerning the pros and cons of the waiver requested by Airborne.

City Council discussed the rating process used by the Public Works Department for the installation of sidewalks along various streets in the City of Centerville, and the possibility of an assessment process. Council agreed that this matter become an agenda item for the next Council Retreat.

Approved: Sally D. Beaks Mayor

Marilyn J. McLaughlin Clerk of Council