Centerville City Council Work Session Meeting September 13, 1999

TIME:

7:30 P.M.

PLACE:

Centerville Municipal Building, Law Library

PRESENT:

Mayor Sally Beals

Deputy-Mayor James Singer Councilmembers: J. V. S

J. V. Stone

James Reppert
C. Mark Kingseed
Douglas Cline
Susan Lienesch

Clerk of Council Marilyn McLaughlin

City Manager Gregory Horn

Assistant City Manager Judith Gilleland Director of Public Works Steve Weaver

City Planner Steve Feverston

Assistant to the City Manager Kelly Fackel

Residents:

Jack Kindler Paul Gresham

Representatives from Clemans, Nelson & Associates, Inc. were present at this meeting to answer questions relative to Personnel Manuals prepared for employees of the City of Centerville. Miss Gilleland reviewed for Council two manuals developed: one for employees of the City of Centerville in general, and one for personnel at Yankee Trace. Pointed out were changes made to the previous manual adopted in 1991. Minor changes, suggested by Mr. Reppert, were made to the manual:

Page 4 Eliminate "and other elected" from the first sentence of the first paragraph,

Page 88 Correct spelling of "civilly".

Discussion followed relative to the use of alcohol and drugs during working hours. It was recommended that this be more clearly defined as regularly scheduled working hours. It was also recommended that policies, rules and regulations contained in the manual not apply to elected officials. After further discussion, the majority of Council concurred that additional time is needed to review these proposed manuals.

Mr. Weaver reviewed for Council a Joint Emergency Operations Plan for the City of Centerville and Washington Township. This plan has been developed to meet the needs of this combined community for future years as well as meet the needs of the emergency management authorities of the Federal, State and County jurisdictions. Mr. Weaver solicited questions and suggestions from members of City Council.

Briefly discussed were waste collection senior citizen exemption and curbside pick-up for certain residents of the City of Centerville. Legislation will be prepared to require annual evaluation of senior citizen exemptions based upon the Federal poverty level and to require the submittal of a Federal tax return statement or other evidence for exemption. Relative to curbside pick-up, Council concurred that the current annual evaluation application form continue to be used.

Mr. Feverston reviewed for Council a Record Plan for Bethany Commons at Yankee Trace, Phase 1, property located along the east side of Yankee Street north of Yankee Trace Drive. Phase 1 consists of one lot to create easements for utilities for the development and right-of-way for Yankee Street. The Planning Commission by a vote of 6-0 recommended approval of this Record Plan to City Council subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The developer shall dedicate the entire length of right-of-way for Yankee Street that fronts the Bethany Commons development subject to approval by the City Engineering Department.
- 2. The easement labeled as a private access and utility easement shall be labeled in a manner which permits the City access to the retention/detention basins for emergency purposes subject to approval by the City Attorney.
- 3. In lieu of completion of the required improvements prior to the recording of the plat, a Performance Bond or Irrevocable Letter of Credit in the amount of \$130,000 shall be posted by the developer with the City of Centerville and a Subdivider's Agreement entered into with the City by the developer.

Upon question of Mr. Singer, Mr. Feverston advised that phase 1 will include 64 units at a density of 3.86 units per acre.

Discussion followed relative to a proposed Ordinance to require persons age 16 and younger riding bicycles to wear protective helmets. Councilmember Mark Kingseed, by way of Mrs. McLaughlin, made the following suggestions: that the age be changed to 15.5 due to the fact that at that age a person can get a learner's permit to drive a motor vehicle; that a Police Officer may issue a citation at his discretion or take possession of the bicycle and hold it until the parent, guardian or person acting on behalf of the child claims the bicycle; and that "knowingly" be added to the responsibility of a parent or guardian who permits a person under the age of 16 to operate a bicycle without wearing a helmet. Mr. Horn suggested that this proposed Ordinance be reviewed further by the Chief of Police, the Juvenile Officer and the Prosecutor, and be brought back to Council for further consideration.

A Resolution authorizing the purchase of golf inventory from Yankee Trace Golf Professional Patrick Bayley was discussed by Council. Some very minor changes were made to the proposed Resolution.

Mr. Horn advised that the legal description for the Asahel Wright Complex will be added to the proposed Lease Agreement between the City of Centerville and the Centerville-Washington Township Historical Society, property located at 26 North Main Street and owned by the City of Centerville. He reviewed provisions in the Agreement and recommended authorization for the execution of this Lease Agreement at the next Council Meeting. Mrs. Lienesch suggested that the Historical Society be responsible for repairs and maintenance to the facility, the cost of which could exceed \$500.00 annually. The majority of Council concurred that the City be responsible for the payment of any and all repairs exceeding \$500.00.

Mr. Horn advised that representatives from Horn & King Architects have been asked to attend the Council Work Session scheduled for October 4, 1999 to present exterior elevations for the new Centerville police facility.

Rates at The Golf Club at Yankee Trace are being revised for the year 2000 and will be before Council for consideration in the near future.

Mr. Cline, reporting as Council Liaison for the Sister City Committee, announced the receipt of a proposal from a resident in England for the twinning of Centerville with Cheltenham. Council concurred that if the Sister City Committee is interested, Council would welcome a presentation concerning this matter.

Mr. Cline advised that the Joint Land Use Planning Committee is attempting to focus in on common areas. He suggested that Planning Commission Chairman James Durham be invited to the Council Work Session scheduled for September 27, 1999 to discuss with Council future approaches relative to this Committee.

Marilyn J. McLaughlin

Clerk of Council

Approved: Sally W. Bials
Mayor