Centerville City Council Work Session Meeting December 6, 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

City Manager Gregory Horn

Assistant City Manager Judith Gilleland

City Planner Steve Feverston

Public Works Director Steve Weaver

City Engineer Norbert Hoffman

Assistant to the City Manager Kelly Fackel

Councilmembers Elect:

Paul Gresham

Roger Krass

Resident:

Jack Kindler

Council interviewed Planning Commission applicants Jack Kindler and Heidi Miller. Council concurred that Mr. Kindler be appointed as a member of the Planning Commission and Miss Miller be appointed to the Board of Architectural Review when a vacancy occurs.

Council interviewed Roxanne Dye Fergerson for appointment as a member of the Centerville Arts Commission. Council concurred with said appointment.

Mr. Horn advised that the City of Centerville's Alexandersville-Bellbrook Road widening project did not get high ranking in the Ohio Department of Transportation TRAC application process. Other areas for funding will be pursued.

Mr. Horn was encouraged to place more Christmas illumination along Main Street in Centerville.

Mr. Horn advised that due to the fact that not all issues have been resolved between the City of Centerville and the Dayton Power and Light Company, an Ordinance has been prepared to extend the current franchise for natural gas which expires December 31, 1999 for a period of six months. This Ordinance will be on the December 20, 1999 Council Meeting Agenda.

Mrs. Lienesch brought Council's attention to the fact that Seniors Inc., during their last meeting, discussed the possibility of changing their name to Hithergreen Senior Center. Councilmembers indicated no problem with whatever is the intent of Seniors Inc.

Discussion followed relative to the process used for location approval for political signs and the enforcement of regulations defined in the City's Zoning Ordinance. Mr. Feverston outlined the present procedure for the placement of political signs and signs in general. This item will be placed on the agenda for the Council Retreat. Mr. Feverston will compile information relative to signs in general and political signs for Council's review.

Chief of Police Steve Walker and Centerville City Schools Superintendent Frank DePalma entered the meeting at this time to review the school's request that Judson Road be opened for 45 minutes to 1 hour at the time students are arriving in the morning for class. Mr. DePalma advised that the school will provide maintenance for the opening and closing of the gated entrance. This will lessen the traffic congestion on East Franklin Street and perhaps will not have that much impact on residents in the adjacent residential neighborhood. Mr. Horn suggested that a trial period for this new access way take place so that the impact can be observed. Council concurred that a trial period take place beginning in January. Mr. DePalma suggested that the gate be opened between 7:00 and 8:00 A.M.

Mr. Horn reviewed the City's Vehicle Mileage Reimbursement policy. He recommended that any employee utilizing a City vehicle to commute back and forth from home be charged the standard IRS per mileage rate, times the number of miles driven each day; this amount to be used only for purposes of calculating additional gross income. Upon suggestion of Mr. Reppert, Mr. Horn will put information together relative to the policy utilized by Washington Township for Council's review.

Council concurred that a policy be established for the Council Meeting in January, to be held on the fourth Monday each year.

Mr. Singer moved that Council convene into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing real estate acquisition. Mr. Cline seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted in seven ayes in favor of the motion.

Marilyn J. McLaughlin

Approved: Sally D. Beals
Mayor