

Centerville City Council
Work Session Meeting
June 22, 1998

TIME: 7:30 P.M.
PLACE: Centerville Municipal Building, Law Library
PRESENT: Deputy-Mayor James Singer
Councilmembers Susan Lienesch
James Reppert
George Smith
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
Assistant to the City Manager Kelly Fackel

Kent Bristol, Executive Director, Miami Valley Cable Council, presented to Council the 1997 Annual Report for the Cable Council. He emphasized the fact that deregulation of the energy industry is expected to take effect in the State of Ohio within the next three to five years. He explained how the Cable Council has been devoted to helping its member cities cope with new trends. Mr. Bristol advised that he has had conversation with the Dayton Power & Light Company relative to deregulation. The Miami Valley Cable Council has eight member cities and fifteen affiliate member cities. He proposed that they play a role in helping member cities cope with the deregulation of electricity. City Council expressed the desire for the Cable Council to be a resource for information and assistance in the process of energy deregulation.

Natalie Jaycox and Kim Koesters were present at this meeting to review for Council project "Safe Place" implemented by Daybreak, a shelter for runaway, homeless and abused youth in the Dayton Metropolitan area. Previously this project has served youth in the City of Dayton for the most part. Currently Daybreak is becoming more creative and outreaching into the suburbs. Ms. Jaycox explained how Daybreak creates a network of "Safe Places" which are business and public locations that display the Safe Place sign on their premises. Any youth troubled has the option of going to one of these designated places to seek help. They have received commitments in the Centerville-Washington Township community from the Washington Township Fire Department and the Recreation Center. The project is funded through federal agencies, Human Services, the United Way, etc. Ms. Jaycox pointed out that the Centerville Police Department has utilized the services of Daybreak on some occasions. She asked for the City's support of the "Safe Place" program. The majority of Council concurred that the passage of a Resolution in support of this program be considered by Council after receiving a favorable response from the Centerville Police Department.

Fire Chief Ken Parks was present to update City Council on activities of the Washington Township Fire Department. He stressed the fact that he serves as the Fire Chief for both

Washington Township and the City of Centerville. He outlined the purchase of new fire equipment, improved radio service and improvements being made to Fire Stations. He explained how fire hydrants are maintained and inspected by the Fire Department, not by Montgomery County.

Mr Horn advised that the City's post audit conference was held this date. He reviewed the management letter from the Auditor of State and outlined recommendations.

Mr. Horn reviewed for Council a celebrity golf outing scheduled June 29, 1998 at The Golf Club at Yankee Trace. This outing is being hosted by Martin Bayliss of the Kansas City Chiefs and Ron Harper of the Buffalo Bulls. The golf club has received a lot of publicity relative to this event.

Mr. Horn distributed to Council a copy of a letter from Township Administrator Gary Huff and a copy of a letter sent to Gary Huff relative to proposed conditions to the lease agreement between the City and Washington Township concerning the Joint Police/Fire facility. Mr. Horn recommended that the occupancy date be changed to eighteen months after execution of a lease agreement between the lessor and lessee, and the lessor's option be extended to at least two years. Mr. Horn asked City Council to review these letters and that the matter be discussed at the next Council Work Session.

Mrs. Lienesch advised that the National Organization to Insure a Sound-Controlled Environment will convene the 1998 Annual Conference in Thornton, Colorado from July 22-24, 1998. Council concurred that Mrs. Lienesch represent the City of Centerville at this Conference.


Marilyn J. McLaughlin
Clerk of Council

Approved: _____

Mayor

