

Centerville City Council
Work Session Meeting
July 1, 1996

TIME: 7:30 P.M.
PLACE: Centerville Municipal Building, Law Library
PRESENT: Mayor Sally Beals
Councilmembers J. V. Stone
James Singer
Susan Lienesch
James Reppert
Brooks Compton
Clerk of Council Marilyn McLaughlin
Assistant Clerk of Council Peggy Whisman
Assistant City Manager Michael Haverland
Public Works Director Steve Weaver
Municipal Attorney Robert Farquhar
Attorney Dick Brahm
Bob Walker

Mr. Farquhar briefed City Council on the Public Hearing held by the Board of County Commissioners, Montgomery County on Tuesday, June 25, 1996 relative to the annexation of 29.574 acres from the unincorporated area of Washington Township to the City of Centerville. He announced Public Hearings set before the County Commissioners for the annexation of 154.8944 acres on July 23, 1996 and 70.328 acres on August 13, 1996.

Mr. Brahm gave a status report on HB 36, the annexation bill, which is currently in the Ohio Senate. He expressed concerns with the configuration of the 154.8944 acre annexation currently before the County Commissioners. Contiguity is weak, it creates islands, it offers no special services to the area in question, and includes property of which no signatures are included on the Petition for Annexation. Mr. Brahm does not believe the City will win this annexation, long term.

Mr. Compton entered the meeting at this time.

Mr. Brahm made alternative suggestions to the areas included in the 154.8944 annexation and surrounding properties in order that the annexation would make better sense. He recommended that the configuration be changed, that additional signatures be obtained, that reconfiguration provide better contiguity, and that the overall picture be analyzed prior to the Public Hearing on July 23, 1996. Mr. Brahm suggested that the City begin now to obtain revised maps and legal descriptions so that redesign can take place as

quickly as possible when all possible signatures have been received.

Mayor Beals announced the ribbon cutting ceremony scheduled for the gazebo at Benham's Grove on July 4, 1996 immediately following the parade at approximately 12:00 noon. Upon suggestion of Mayor Beals, Council concurred that the gazebo shall be named "The Rotary Gazebo".

Mr. Singer reviewed a meeting he, along with Mrs. Lienesch attended with residents in Village South. Drainage problems in the Village South area have been categorized into three classes: ground water, sanitary, and the two combined. As a result of a questionnaire sent to residents in the Village South area, a list of those residences experiencing problems was prepared and presented to Mr. Singer. He suggested that City Staff make contact with residents on this list. Mrs. Lienesch requested that City Staff stay current with drainage problems in the area. It was suggested at the meeting attended by Mr. Singer and Mrs. Lienesch that the City purchase property owned by J. S. Davis to the north so that the silting problem can be addressed appropriately. Discussion followed relative to Montgomery County Sanitary Department's timetable for the placement of a sanitary sewer line which serves the Village South area. Upon request of Mayor Beals, City Staff will prepare a comprehensive report relative to ground water problems in Village South for Council's review, and to sanitary sewer problems so that this matter can be addressed when the County Commissioners meet in Centerville on Tuesday, July 29, 1996.

Mr. Compton brought attention to a tree which has fallen in the creek in Rose Estates, causing a problem with drainage.

Upon question of Mr. Singer, Mr. Weaver advised that the reconstruction of Clio Road from Alexandersville-Bellbrook Road to Bigger Road will begin the week following the 4th of July.

Mr. Horn reviewed financial activities at The Golf Club at Yankee Trace and The Gallery during the month of June.

Council concurred that the following appointments and reappointments be made on City Boards and Commissions:

Barbara Monnig appointed as a member of the Centerville Arts Commission.

Reappointments as follows:

Centerville Arts Commission:

Mary Ann Gasior

Mary Smith

Anita Looper, Chairman for an additional year.

Centerville Historical Commission:

Betty Ann Perkins, Chairman for an additional year.
City Planning Commission:
Scot Stone, Chairman for an additional year.
Board of Architectural Review:
Jack Gramann
Sister City Committee:
Allen Haveman


Marilyn J. McLaughlin
Clerk of Council

Approved: 
Mayor