

Centerville City Council
Work Session Meeting
November 14, 1994

TIME: 7:30 P.M.
PLACE: Centerville Municipal Building, Law Library

PRESENT: Mayor Shirley Heintz
Deputy-Mayor J. V. Stone
Councilmembers Brooks Compton
C. Mark Kingseed
James Singer
Sally Beals
Mark Beasley
Clerk of Council Marilyn McLaughlin
Assistant Clerk of Council Peggy Whisman
City Manager Gregory Horn
Assistant City Manager Michael Haverland
Assistant to the City Manager Judith Gilleland
Chief of Police William Lickert

Mr. Horn reviewed bids received for a two year contract to supply uniforms for employees of the City of Centerville Service Department. One supplier, Aratex Services, Inc., in submitting their bid, incorrectly quoted charges for two coverall changes per week instead of just one change per week as specified. This misinterpretation resulted in a \$520.00 difference in the bids submitted by Aratex Service, Inc. and Qualatex Uniform. By deleting this difference both bids were in the amount of \$16,198.00. Considering the facts that is was a simple error on the part of Aratex and the City has the right to waive any and all irregularities, the Service Director recommended the bid be awarded to Aratex Services, Inc. Following a brief discussion, the majority of Council concurred that this matter be rebid.

Mr. Horn reviewed bids received from two bidders for the purchase of a one-ton dump truck for use at the Yankee Trace Golf Course. Acceptance of the low and best bid will be an Agenda item for the Council Meeting scheduled for Monday, November 21, 1994.

Mr. Horn reviewed communications with Tom Smith relative to his purchase of approximately one acre of land situated between Clyo Road and South Suburban Road and immediately south of the proposed extension of South Suburban Road to Clyo Road. Council concurred that Mr. Horn continue to negotiate a purchase price with Mr. Smith for said property.

Mr. Horn advised that Municipal Attorney Robert Farquhar is in the process of drafting an Ordinance to regulate the keeping of wild and exotic animals in residential neighborhoods in the City of Centerville.

Chief Lickert was present at this meeting to identify the potential need for at least two additional officers over the next three years. He outlined the areas of services in which manpower is and will be needed. He explained the fact that the Federal Government will grant a maximum of 75% of the salary and benefits of new or rehired police officers over a three year period, up to a cap of \$75,000.00 per officer, with the federal share decreasing from year to year; monies being made available through COPS FAST hiring grant upon application by jurisdictions serving populations of under 50,000. Chief Lickert reviewed his proposed project to place police officers on bicycles in the community, principally to promote good public relations. Council concurred that the City proceed with application for a COPS FAST hiring grant.

Discussion followed relative to Health Insurance for City Employees. Miss Gilleland reviewed costs from 1990 through 1994 associated with the City's current plan with Buckeye Employee Benefit Services, Inc.; the cost of which has more than doubled during this period of time. There are currently 80 families and 22 singles covered through the Buckeye plan. She explained how self health insurance works and explained the four options offered City Employees for consideration and comments: Buckeye Employee Benefit Services, Inc., Community Mutual, Western Ohio Health Care Corporation, and cash back if the employee opts out of coverage. Based upon results of an employee survey, Miss Gilleland and Mr. Horn recommended that the City provide health insurance through Community Mutual. Mr. Horn suggested that perhaps a package could be put together with Western Ohio for health insurance for some golf course personnel. The majority of Council concurred that the City contract with Community Mutual for current employees, and that Mr. Horn pursue a plan on a competitive basis with Western Ohio for new hires at the Yankee Trace Golf Course project.

Mr. Horn reviewed for Council increased work load expected in the Finance Department relative to payroll in consideration of additional golf course personnel in 1995. Upon his recommendation Council concurred to begin by-weekly payroll at an appropriate time in 1995.

Mr. Horn reviewed a proposed letter to Joe Becks & Associates, General Contractors for the Yankee Trace Clubhouse, relative to the execution of a Completion Guarantee Agreement between the City of Centerville and Joe Becks. Council concurred that this letter be sent.

Mrs. McLaughlin announced the term expirations of James Treffinger as a member of the Board of Architectural Review and Robert Sattem as a member of the Sister City Committee. Council concurred that reappointments of these volunteers be an Agenda item for the November 21, 1994 Council Meeting.

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Approved: *Shirley F. Heintz*
Mayor