Centerville City Council Work Session Meeting November 21, 1994

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

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

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Mr. Peter Babin, Vice President of Business Development, was present at this meeting to review for Council two issues which City employees expressed concern with relative to health insurance provided by the Western Ohio Health Care Corporation: deletion of Kettering Medical Center from their membership, and the amount of physicians not included in the network. Mr. Babin explained the fact that Western Ohio is dropping Kettering Medical Center in order to keep health care costs under control over a long term. By contracting with fewer hospitals, more patients go to partner hospitals thus reducing costs to the employer. Many physicians are concerned with the changes managed care is bringing to the field of medicine, thus they have opted out of the network. In consideration of the financial contributions made by Western Ohio to the City of Centerville as estimated for 1994, Mr. Babin asked City Council to reconsider their decision to go with Community Mutual for City employee's health insurance. Mrs. Beals reviewed the fact that out of 86 employees responding to a survey, only 5 chose Western Ohio as their preferred carrier. In consideration of this result she is not prepared to reconsider her initial decision. She sees this as a one step at a time process which eventually may turn to Western Ohio.

Mr. Horn reviewed bids received for landscaping improvement in conjunction with the South Main Street improvement project. He recommended acceptance of the low bid submitted by Daily's Property Maintenance in Beavercreek, Ohio.

Following the Council Meeting this date, Council reconvened into Work Session in the Law Library.

Mayor Heintz reviewed correspondence received from Mr. Paul Leonard in which he cited unrest in the community resulting from campaigns for and against the recent Centerville City School levy. He suggested that perhaps City Council take steps to bring residents back together.

Washington Township Trustee Roger Krass entered the meeting at this time to inform Council that Washington Township Trustee Walter Buchanan has submitted a letter of resignation effective December 31, 1994 as a Trustee. Mr. Blair and Mr. Krass will have until January 31, 1995 to name a replacement. If unsuccessful, the Probate Judge will make said appointment.

Mayor Heintz reviewed her communication with Montgomery County Engineer Rex Dickey relative to the realignment of existing Social Row Road at the southeast corner of the Yankee Trace golf course property. Mr. Horn outlined his concerns with improvements now and in the future to Social Row Road as it continues to the east which would have an impact upon holes number 16 and 17. The Montgomery County Engineer's Office is requesting that the City grant 45 feet of right-of-way from the centerline. Mr. Horn, on behalf of the City, suggested a 10 foot expansion to the north of the present right-of-way line in order to provide less impact upon the golf holes. Council concurred with correspondence sent to Engineer Rex Dickey on October 31, 1994 by Mr. Horn relative to this issue.

Discussion followed relative to the Senior Services study conducted for the City of Centerville by the University of Dayton. Mayor Heintz and members of Council expressed concern with statistics used for the basis of the report, and with comments, information and recommendations included in the report. The report will be refined for Council's final consideration prior to distribution to other entities.

Council briefly revisited the question of health insurance for City employees and chose not to reverse their previous decision concerning Western Ohio Health Care.

Marilyn J. McLaughlin

Clerk of Council