

SPECIAL MEETING

The Council of the Municipality of Centerville, County of Montgomery, State of Ohio met in Special Session, Monday, June 17, 1968 at 7:30 P.M. at the Municipal Building, with Mayor Hoy presiding. Councilmen present were as follows: Harold Wells, Richard Miller, John Zengel, John McIntire, John Davis, Solicitor Fred Young, and Engineer Frank Williams.

The minutes of the meeting of June 3, 1968 had been distributed prior to this meeting. Solicitor Fred Young advised that the sentence, "The developer has been referred to the Board of Zoning Appeals, as the use intended is not permitted in an EC District." should read "The developer has been referred to the Board of Zoning Appeals, as the use for a Prescription Counter is not permitted in an EC District." Mr. McIntire moved that the minutes of the meeting of June 3, 1968 as amended, be approved. Mr. Wells seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted in five ayes in favor of the motion. Mr. Miller abstained.

Mayor Hoy read a letter received from the State of Ohio, Department of Highways concerning contract letting for the improvement project of State Route 725, West Franklin Street. Mayor Hoy also advised that a phone call had been made to Middletown June 17, 1968 in which the following information was received.

1. June 11, 1968 - 2 bids were received.
Apparent low bidder was Urbana Tar & Asphalt Company, Urbana, Ohio, bid of \$213,992.20. Estimate of State Highway Department was \$206,500.00.
2. June 17, 1968 - Project awarded to Urbana Tar & Asphalt Company for their bid price.
3. A Pre-Construction Meeting will be called within the next few weeks between the Village of Centerville, State Highway Department, Contractor and Interested Parties.
4. Construction operations and starting date will be determined at this meeting.

Mr. Wells sponsored Resolution Number 11-68: A Resolution Affirming A Policy Of Open Housing For The Municipality of Centerville, Ohio.

WHEREAS, the Village of Centerville has always welcomed all law-abiding people as citizens and neighbors; and

WHEREAS, the population of this community includes people of different races, color, religions, creeds, ancestires, and national origins;

BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPALITY OF CENTERVILLE, STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. The Council of the Village of Centerville, Ohio, hereby affirms its continued support for the rights of all citizens including the freedom of choice of residence by all law-abiding people, regardless of their race, religion, or national origin.

Section 2. The Council urges all citizens of the Municipality of Centerville, Ohio, to continue to support this policy of fair and open housing in order to assure that all persons have an equal opportunity, within constitutional limitations to live where they choose and their means allow.

Mr. Wells moved that Council adopt Resolution Number 11-68. Mr. Davis seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted in six ayes in favor of the motion.

Mr. Zengel sponsored Ordinance Number 8-68: An Ordinance To Amend Ordinance No.3-68,

As Amended By Ordinance No. 5-68, In Order To Provide Increased Life Insurance Coverage For Employees of The Village of Centerville, Ohio. The Public Hearing for Ordinance Number 8-68 was held. Mr. Zengel moved that Ordinance Number 8-68 be approved as submitted. Mayor Hoy seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted in six ayes in favor of the motion.

Mayor Hoy read the advertisement for a Village Manager for the Municipality of Centerville which has been sent to International City Manager Association and the Ohio Municipal League.

The following statement was made by Mr. McIntire: We have recently been informed of matter concerning the entire township and Centerville community. That matter is the desire, of a group of residents, to be annexed to the city of Kettering. They feel determined that their future lies to the north.

There are, however, some reasons for an action and attitude such as this. One is certainly the tax structure. It is apparent that this community will reach a \$60.00 per thousand level within 5 years unless someone begins to put the brakes on the school board. Week by week evidence is piling up of the gross irresponsibility of the spending policies of the school board. The community is becoming vocal concerning new buildings of high costs which are of questionable safety standards, which may only exist to satisfy a small groups' ego to say the least of their commitment to the Federal government.

We do not want monuments to a personality's ego. Thirty, forty, and fifty per cent increases in salary to a handful of administrators; with the only reason given that a superintendent or a program calls for it. The community had hope for a more prudent fiscal policy after last November's election. However, little effort or imagination has been rendered by the good Dr. Kelso in this direction.

No indications of a cutback have been seen. Yet administration costs have risen 200% based on 1965 per pupil basis. Yet instruction is half of this and daily membership approximately 20% of that. Approximately 40% of Federal funds in one program are for administration. Waste, waste, waste! They do not communicate with the public. They are responsible.

Yet only one voice brings the facts to the public. Janet Neely has shown exemplary courage in her public service endeavor.

Another reason has been the ill-advised responsibility of certain individuals in Centerville. Mr. Dale Bertsch of the M.V.R.P.C. at the Driscoll School made comments during a talk on the Charter about annexation that were upsetting to residents of Washington Township. At a recent meeting of E.U.B. Church group, Councilman Harold Wells talked on annexation. The remarks were poorly received by some residents of Washington Township.

This type of public relations is poor public relations.

I can only suggest, gentlemen, that you mind your own business (that being the Village of Centerville) and to the best job you can do to develop this village to the maximum and quit having illusions of grandeur.

Mr. Davis advised that the Council table is not the place for one Councilman to air his

views. This statement is out of order.

Mayor Hoy moved that Council uphold the following statement: Council does not necessarily agree with Mr. McIntire's statement. Mr. Wells seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted in four ayes in favor of the motion. Mr. McIntire and Mr. Miller voted no.

Engineer Frank Williams reported that drawings and estimates have been completed for the improvement of Clareridge Lane. Mr. Williams will contact Mrs. Dixon to set a meeting between residents and the Village Council at the earliest possible date, to be held at the Municipal Building, to discuss this matter.

Mr. Davis reported for the Zoning Ordinance Review Committee. He advised that changes are ready to be put together in Ordinance form. An Ordinance might possibly be ready for the next Council Meeting.

Solicitor Fred Young advised that he has examined the Charter in regards to the election of a Deputy-Mayor. The procedure for this election is not included in the Charter until after the next Council Election. Section 4.01 of the Charter grants the Council the power to enact an Ordinance to fill this vacancy. Mr. Wells read a proposed Ordinance: Ordinance Number 9-68: An Ordinance To Provide For And To Choose A Deputy-Mayor. Mr. Wells moved that Council direct the Clerk of Council to publish said Ordinance as required and to set a Public Hearing for Ordinance Number 9-68. Mr. McIntire questioned whether another Ordinance would be required if a vacancy occurred during the interim of the office before the next election. Solicitor Fred Young advised that this would only require a vote of Council. Mr. Davis seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted in six ayes in favor of the motion.

Solicitor Fred Young reported that he is working on the Codification of the Village Ordinances. He hopes to complete this for action this fall.

Mr. Zengel felt that, if it is within realm of Council, it might be well to meet with the Board of Education to study certain aspects of the Community. Mayor Hoy favored this joint meeting. Mr. Zengel moved that we contact the Washington-Township Board of Education for a joint meeting at some future date to study present and future plans for the Community. Mr. McIntire seconded the motion. A roll call vote resulted in six ayes in favor of the motion.

Mr. Robert Lang of 250 Bethel Road presented to Council a petition signed by five Democratic Precinct Committeemen of Centerville-Washington in support of the adoption of an Open Housing Resolution and an Open Housing Ordinance.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Approved



Mayor

Attest:



Clerk of Council