

Centerville City Council
Work Session Meeting
Monday, September 21, 2020

TIME: 5:30 P.M.

PLACE: J.V. Stone Council Chambers

ATTENDANCE:

Mayor Brooks Compton
Councilmembers JoAnne Rau
Mark Engert
Belinda Kenley
Duke Lunsford
John Palcher (via Zoom.com)
Bill Serr (via Zoom.com)

Clerk of Council Teri Davis
City Manager Wayne Davis
Assistant City Manager Mariah Vogelgesang
Finance Director Tyler Roark
Assistant Finance Director Chris Hacker
Development Director Michael Norton-Smith
City Planner Mark Yandrick
Public Works Director Pat Turnbull
City Engineer Jim Brinegar
Public Works Supervisor/Facilities James Rinaldi
Public Works Supervisor Roger Dawson
Communications Director Kate Bostdorff
IT Director Larry Rover
Interim Human Resources Director Kathy Weisgarber
Human Resources Director Jen McCormick
Municipal Attorney Scott Liberman

Council Tablet Training

Mayor Compton called the training session to order at 5:39 P.M. Mr. Rover provided training to each of the Council members, instructing on Council tablet usage and addressing any issues.

Mayor Compton called the Work Session meeting to order at 6:06 P.M.

6560 Centerville Business Parkway

Mr. Norton-Smith provided background information regarding the occupant, FAS Outdoor Company, which has been operating a retail, office, and indoor and outdoor archery range at 6560 Centerville Business Parkway for over a year without zoning approval. The business applied for and received zoning approval and Certificate of Occupancy today to continue the retail and office usage. However, per Municipal Code Section 672.09, the archery range is not allowed within the City limits. The archery range operations have ceased, but FAS is desirous of continuing its indoor archery range operations. Mr. Norton-Smith recommends

further discussion by City Council to consider changes to Section 672.09 to allow for the discharging of bows and arrows. If Council approves an amendment to the Code, a second step to amend the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) to establish permitted uses within specific districts would follow. Council requested Staff to bring the item back for discussion at a future City Council Work Session.

Executive Session

At 6:20 p.m., Mr. Lunsford made a motion to move into Executive Session for real estate to consider the purchase of property for public purposes, and for conference with the municipal attorney, concerning disputes involving the City that are the subject of pending or potential court action, for security to discuss specialized details of security arrangements where disclosure of the matters discussed might reveal information that could be used for the purpose of committing, or avoiding prosecution for, a violation of the law, and for personnel to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee, or official. Mrs. Kenley seconded the motion, and it passed 7-0 in a roll call vote.

At 7:05 p.m., after no official business was conducted, Mrs. Rau made a motion to move out of Executive Session. Mr. Engert seconded the motion, and it passed 7-0 in a roll call vote.

City Council Meeting Agenda Review

Councilmembers reviewed the agenda for the Regular Session Council meeting.

John Beals Commemoration

Mrs. Bostdorff presented two recommendations for commemorating former Councilmember John Beals as the anniversary of his death approaches. The City would plant twelve (12) trees at the Golf Club at Yankee Trace and also dedicate a memorial bench at a City park. Mayor Compton will contact Sally Beals for her feedback on the proposal.

LEAN Process for the Council Meetings Group

Mayor Compton reminded that four members of City Council as well as Wayne Davis and Teri Davis participated in LEAN training last year with a team purpose to shorten City Council meetings. Mayor Compton requested Mrs. Davis to organize a follow-up team meeting to continue efforts toward that goal.

Friends of Benham's Grove Discussion

Mrs. Vogelgesang reported Sherry Leighty, the Chair of the Friends of Benham's Grove, indicated a desire to dissolve the committee. The group has not met for a year. Mrs. Vogelgesang requested Mrs. Leighty make the request in writing. City Council discussed the history of the group, its previous activities, and its current fund balance and recent expenditures. If not dissolved, Staff is requesting Council action to clarify the committee's mission, organizational structure, and charter. Mayor Compton asked that the item be brought back at a future Work Session for further discussion.

Boards and Commissions Discussion

Mrs. Vogelgesang requested City Council's guidance with regard to either convening an ad hoc committee or a Staff team to make recommendations to City Council regarding the various boards and commissions. She indicated the group would be tasked with standardizing and enhancing uniformity of committee operating procedures, setting of missions and goals, and

clarifying expectations for volunteers, including a volunteer orientation process. Mrs. Rau recommended speaking to the members of the individual committees. Mayor Compton noted this items will be brought back to City Council at the October 5, 2020 Work Session.

City Manager's Report

Mr. Davis spoke about the following topics:

- Introduced the following new Staff members:
 1. Public Works Supervisor for Facilities James Rinaldi
 2. Public Works Supervisor Roger Dawson
 3. Human Resources Director Jen McCormick

Recess

At 7:30 p.m., the Work Session recessed to move into Regular Session.

Following the Regular Meeting, City Council reconvened in Work Session at 8:41 p.m.

City Manager's Report

Mr. Davis continued his City Manager's report speaking on the following topics:


- The owner of the property at 900 E. Franklin St. has repossessed; Staff expects the owner to move forward with redevelopment plans quickly; Mr. Liberman added that the tax lien has been paid off.
- 8004 Station House – The pace of the post-fire restoration work.
- County Auditor Karl Keith will make a presentation to City Council at the October 19 meeting, regarding the County reassessments.
- DSD Advisors will present to City Council at a November meeting.
- The Cornerstone New Community Authority candidate appointments will be coming to City Council soon. Mayor Compton requested Mrs. Davis circulate the list of candidates to Council members and that review be conducted at the October 5, 2020 Work Session.
- CARES Act Fund – the City will move forward to request Police Department payroll reimbursement which has now been deemed an appropriate use of the funds.
- The gateway park at State 48 and Alex Bell – Centerville Rotary has community project funds up to \$50,000 for a project to enhance the corner; the City will work with Centerville City Schools on the project.
- Gail Wright has requested to erect a mausoleum on her 13-acre property for her recently deceased husband, Donald; there are no restrictions either via the City's municipal code or through the Public Health Department to prohibit it; Mr. Norton-Smith indicated the potential to create a deed restriction for notification to any future buyer of the property; Staff is requesting direction from City Council regarding any future legislation; Council members indicated their acquiescence to the request, but suggested Staff utilize any influence they have with regard to location of the structure on the property and requested further exploration of Municipal Code changes.
- Public Works Administrative Assistant Jamie Feilen has given notice of her resignation effective October 5, 2020.
- Council Chambers seating – staff is exploring chairs and staff tables to permanently replace the pews. Several Council members expressed a desire for better lighting in the Chambers if updates are being considered.

- MI Homes contacted the City about development of 65 acres on the south portion of St. Leonard's property.
- Public Works Staff met with Greene County officials regarding the Transportation Improvement District at I675 and Wilmington Pike; the total project timeline is 6-7 years.

Adjournment

At 9:10 p.m., the Work Session was adjourned. The next Work Session is scheduled for Monday, October 5, 2020 at 5:30 P.M., location to be determined and prior to the regular meeting set for 7:30 P.M.


Teri Davis, Clerk of Council

Approved: 
Brooks A. Compton, Mayor