

On Monday, April 14, 1997, the Council of the City of Centerville and the Board of Trustees of Washington Township met in Joint Session in the Centerville Room at the Gallery at Yankee Trace at 6:30 P.M. Mayor Beals presided at this meeting with the following officials present:

Centerville:

Mayor	Sally Beals
Deputy Mayor	C. Mark Kingseed
Councilmembers	James Singer
	James Reppert
	Susan Lienesch
	J. V. Stone
	Brooks Compton
Clerk of Council	Marilyn McLaughlin
City Manager	Gregory Horn

Washington Township:

Trustee President	Joyce Young
Trustee	Roger Krass
Trustee	Terry Blair
Clerk/Treasurer	James Blakeney
Administrator	Gary Huff

The first item discussed was a Preliminary Loan Agreement between the Centerville Community Improvement Corporation and Daniel C. Doepke and John F. Neace to provide that the borrowers Mr. Doepke and Mr. Neace purchase and restore for commercial use the property located at 4, 8 and 12 West Franklin Street. The Agreement provides for an interest free loan stretched over a period of ten years: \$50,000.00 from each entity, with the CCIC serving as the pass through agent, and \$100,000.00 paid for by the borrower. Mr. Horn advised that language has been added to the Agreement to provide that indoor and outdoor restoration be first paid for by the borrower's share of \$100,000.00. The purchase of the property is the sole cost of the Borrowers. Mr. Huff suggested that language be changed in the Agreement to more particularly designate the time when public parking will be available. Mr. Krass expressed concern with cooperating with this restoration in consideration of the fact that property directly across West Franklin Street is becoming vacant. He would like additional time to review this matter before a decision is made. Mr. Horn reviewed the financial status and background checks concerning Mr. Doepke and Mr. Neace. Results were secure with Mr. Neace being involved. City Council agreed to move forward with the Loan Agreement.

Mr. Horn gave a brief update relative to the selection of an architectural firm to prepare a Needs Assessment and Facilities Study for the Centerville Police Department and perhaps a training facility for the Fire Department. Focus is currently being placed on Horne & King at an estimated cost of \$14,000.00. The study will take approximately four months. Also being considered will be future expansion of the facility in the event it could become a joint police facility.

Mrs. Young proposed Washington Township's financial support to the Centerville Historical Society. Mayor Beals outlined the City of Centerville's financial support over the years. Mr. Horn agreed to provide the Township with financial data. Mrs. Young asked that this matter again be explored at a future joint session.

At this point in the meeting at approximately 8:00 P.M., the following Centerville City School Board officials were present:

School Board President	Tom Poulton
Board Members	Bradley Evers
	Leslie Kiefaber
	David Roer
School Superintendent	Frank DePalma

Mayor Beals outlined Roy Wilson's recent request for a live elk to march down the field during Centerville High School football home games. Mr. Singer clarified the fact that his intention is only for the Homecoming game. Discussion followed relative to specific problems which might be encountered during such an event. Mayor Beals will write a letter to Mr. Wilson advising him that no one had a solution to the problems discussed, i.e. liability, danger to children, etc.

Mayor Beals outlined the history of the International Womens Air and Space Museum locating in the City of Centerville. There is currently an offer for the Museum to be moved to Cleveland, Ohio. She reviewed efforts she has made recently to keep them in the area.

Mr. DePalma reviewed the following property tax issues which may be facing the Centerville/Washington Township electorate during 1997 and 1998:

Spring '97	Township:	1.75 mill roads and bridges replacing a 2 mill levy
	Park:	2 mill effective '99, two levies for 1.5 mill total will expire
Fall '97		
Spring '98	Township:	.7 mill Recreation Center
		3 mill fire replacement
	Human Serv.	At least replacement
Fall '98	Sinclair	At least replacement
	Parks:	2 mill sometime in '98

Concern was expressed with the amount of tax issues which may be on the election ballot in 1998. Mr. DePalma explained the fact that the School District is waiting on a Court decision before placing any issues on the ballot in 1997 and/or 1998.

Briefly discussed was the possibility of a Performing Arts Center in the Centerville/Washington Township community. Mrs. Kiefaber questioned support for such a venture in consideration of the many money issues facing our community at this time and into the immediate future. Mrs. Young brought attention to the fact that coordination is needed between the City and Township relative to art performances in the community.

Mr. DePalma identified a need to sell the Centerville/Washington Township community

to prospective home buyers through Realtors and other resources. Mr. Compton suggested that the three Administrators put ideas and figures together concerning this issue for consideration at the next joint meeting. Infrastructure already in place, good schools and excellent residential areas, etc. should be highlighted.

Mrs. Young reviewed a recent meeting she attended relative to the proliferation of cellular towers. The current law provides for the erection of said towers in business districts in townships with no control. Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission is considering the encouragement to all cities in the area to declare a moratorium on the erection of cellular towers.

Mrs. Lienesch suggested that consideration be given to combining the Centerville Town Crier, the Township Quarterly, the Accent on Your Schools and the Centerville-Washington Park District newsletter into one publication. Mr. Horn pointed out that during discussions between the administrations relative to this, special content issues were identified that would have to be addressed. Mr. Kingseed suggested that perhaps this would be possible on a quarterly basis. This matter will be discussed further by the administrators.

Monday, June 30, 1997 was selected as the next Joint Entities Meeting with the Centerville-Washington Park District being the host entity.