

The Council of the City of Centerville, County of Montgomery, State of Ohio, met on Monday, June 26, 2023, at 7:35 P.M. in the Police Department Training Room. The meeting was opened with an Invocation by Reverend Neil Gaiser of Fairview United Methodist Church, followed by The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag with Mayor Compton presiding. Councilmembers and City Staff were present as follows:

Councilmembers Deputy Mayor JoAnne Rau
 Mark Engert
 Belinda Kenley
 Duke Lunsford
 John Palcher
 Bill Serr

Clerk of Council Teri Davis
 City Manager Wayne Davis
 Assistant City Manager Mariah Vogelgesang
 Finance Director Tyler Roark
 Assistant Finance Director Miranda Piatt
 Police Chief Matt Brown
 Development Director Erik Collins
 City Planner Ian Vanness
 Public Works Director Pat Turnbull
 City Engineer Jim Brinegar
 Human Resources Director Jen McCormick
 IT Director Ryan Collins
 Municipal Attorney Scott Liberman

Mayor Compton invited Reverend Gaiser to speak about faith initiatives at Fairview United Methodist Church. Reverend Gaiser spoke about outreach programs including the church's food pantry and a Sunday school program entitled Faith Class, which is focused on faith instruction for adults with special needs.

Minutes

The minutes of the following meetings had been distributed prior to this meeting:

Council Meeting: June 5, 2023.

Work Session Meeting: June 5, 2023.

Mr. Palcher made a motion for approval of the minutes, Mr. Lunsford seconded the motion, and it passed with 7 ayes.

Communications

Mrs. Davis reported no communications.

Oath of Office

A. Mayor Compton administered the Oath of Office to new City Beautiful Commission member Fredia Black. Mrs. Black spoke about her interest in landscaping and the encouragement she received from Commission member Gretchen Franck to join.

Presentations

A. Police Department Life Saving Award

Chief Brown announced Sergeant (Ret.) Bill Osmanski and Officer Andy Hardacre were selected to receive the Life Saving Award for their efforts in resuscitating an unresponsive individual.

Mayor Compton invited Sgt. Osmanski to speak about his time with the Department. Sgt. Osmanski spoke about his history with the Department and his pride in serving. He praised the City for its support of the Police Department.

B. Noon Optimist John P. Kalamian Respect for Law Employee of the Year Award

Chief Brown announced Officer Ryan Turner was selected as the Noon Optimists' Employee of the Year.

Mayor Compton expressed his pride in the Police Department.

C. Palmer Energy Electric Aggregation Update

Mr. Phillip Dysard announced the results of the RFP, garnering a \$.04 per kilowatt savings to homeowners and businesses in the program. He advised opt-out letters will be mailed soon. There will be a public information/open house here at the Centerville Police Department Training Room on Monday, July 24 at 5:00 p.m. He advised that the Natural Gas Aggregation RFP will be getting underway soon.

Mrs. Kenley asked how someone can opt-in from an existing plan. Mr. Dysard cautioned to look closely at your current plan requirements to identify any early termination fees.

Mrs. Kenley asked if businesses can participate. Mr. Dysard said that those businesses with 700,000 kilowatts or less of usage annually are eligible to participate.

Mayor Compton thanked Palmer Energy for facilitating the program.

D. The Wall That Heals

Ms. Liz Fultz, Director of the Washington-Centerville Library presented information about the upcoming The Wall That Heals event. Event dates are July 27-30 at Yankee Park. The Wall is a traveling exhibit of a replica of the Vietnam Memorial Wall in Washington D.C. There will be an event on July 25 to escort the trailer as it arrives. Volunteers are needed. Event and volunteer information is available at wclibrary.info/thewallthatheals. Ms. Fultz noted only two other Ohio cities were selected to host such an event. It is an honor for the community.

Mayor Compton inquired how volunteer roles will be assigned. Ms. Fultz advised volunteers can sign up for the positions that interest them.

Citizen Comments and Petitions

A. Ms. Jan Atkinson of 6676 Sandyhill Drive, Ms. Christina Carter of 1936 Home Path, and Ms. Marilyn Garland of 6667 Sandyhill Drive addressed City Council regarding a recent fireworks issue. A neighbor was creating a nuisance with fireworks, which included smoke, shrapnel, noise, and safety concerns. The ladies requested City Council consider adopting a fireworks ban.

Chief Brown provided a brief explanation of the current law. He will update Police Officers and Dispatchers on policies and procedures ahead of the Independence Day holiday.

Mr. Serr suggested City Council revisit the issue of a fireworks ban.

Officials' Reports

Mrs. Rau spoke about the ribbon cutting this morning at the wonderfully vibrant Agave & Rye.

Mrs. Rau mentioned the Community Improvement Corporation meeting last week where two economic development funding applications were approved.

Mrs. Kenley spoke about her attendance at a recent birthday celebration at Bethany Lutheran Village, honoring 106 year old Helen Garey.

Mrs. Kenley reviewed the Ohio Municipal League activity with regard to the State budget bill.

Mr. Lunsford advised the final Americana Festival pre-fest meeting is tomorrow June 27. Volunteers are still being sought.

Mr. Palcher spoke about the great attendance so far at the summer concert series.

Mayor Compton spoke about his attendance at the annual meeting of the Ohio Mayors Conference where he attended seminars on topics about cybersecurity and available economic development tools.

In the City Manager's Report, Mr. Davis spoke about:

- Introduced the three summer interns in attendance at tonight's meeting. Michael Wyatt, Michael Hoover, and Graham Gilkison each introduced themselves, discussed their background, and spoke about working in a municipal government atmosphere.
- Provided a review of the 2023-2028 Strategic Plan, including the four goal areas.

Council members praised both the completed 5-year plan and the new 5-year plan, expressed pride in being able to do what's best for the citizens, and praised the talented staff for creation of the plans.

Old Business

A. PUBLIC HEARING: Ordinance 08-23, An Ordinance Allowing City Council To Approve Minutes Of The Meetings Of Its Boards And Commissions

Mrs. Davis explained this Ordinance allows City Council to approve minutes of those boards and commissions which meet infrequently. The Ordinance will allow the City to fulfill Ohio meeting law requirements to make meeting minutes available promptly.

Mayor Compton opened the Public Hearing.

Hearing no one come forward, Mayor Compton closed the Public Hearing.

Mr. Serr sponsored Ordinance 08-23 and moved for its adoption. Mr. Palcher seconded the motion, and it passed with 7 ayes.

New Business – none.

Consent Agenda

Mayor Compton turned the attention of the group to the Consent Agenda. Any City Councilmember may remove an item from the Consent Agenda by request. No second is required for removal of an item. Items removed for separate discussion will be considered after the motion to approve the remaining Consent Agenda items.

City Council read the Consent Agenda into the record as follows:

- A. Resolution 53-23, A Resolution Adopting A Five-Year Strategic Plan For The City Of Centerville.
- B. Resolution 54-23, A Resolution Authorizing And Directing The City Manager To Enter Into A Sixth Amendment To The Subdivider's Agreement With Yankee Trace Woods, LLC For Property Located In The City Of Centerville Along Paragon Road.
- C. Resolution 55-23, A Resolution Accepting The Bid Submitted By Double Jay Construction, Inc. Of Englewood, Ohio For The Millbank Storm Sewer And Sidewalk Improvements Project (SS-2 And SS-4) And Authorizing The City Manager To Enter Into A Contract In Connection Therewith.
- D. Resolution 56-23, A Resolution Declaring Specific Property No Longer Utilized By The City Of Centerville As Surplus Property And Authorizing The City Manager To Dispose Of Said Surplus Property In Accordance With The Guidelines Stated Herein.
- E. Resolution 57-23, A Resolution Authorizing The City Manager To Submit An Application To The Montgomery County Board Of Commissioners For Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funds For The Stubbs Park Swing Set Project And Authorizing The City Manager To Enter Into Contracts Therewith.
- F. Resolution 58-23, A Resolution Accepting The Bid Submitted By MDFritz Carpentry & Fine Woodwork Of Centerville, Ohio For The Benham's Grove Exterior Shutter Restoration Project And Authorizing The City Manager To Enter Into A Contract In Connection Therewith.
- G. Resolution 59-23, A Resolution Authorizing The City Manager To Enter Into A Mitigation Credit Reservation And Purchase Agreement For The Purchase And Transfer Of Stream Mitigation Bank Credits With Water And Land Solutions, LLC.
- H. Resolution 60-23, A Resolution Accepting The Bid Submitted By Ohio Irrigation Lawn Sprinkler Systems, Inc. dba Oheil Site Solutions Of Centerville, Ohio For The Yankee Trace Practice Facility Project And Authorizing The City Manager To Enter Into A Contract In Connection Therewith.

- I. Motion to reappoint Paul Clark as Chair of the Planning Commission (1-year term).
- J. Motion to reschedule the October City Council meeting dates to October 9 and October 23, 2023.

Mr. Palcher provided a brief explanation of the need for the Millbank Storm Sewer project.

Mr. Lunsford sponsored the Consent Agenda and moved for its approval. Mrs. Rau seconded the motion, and it passed with 7 ayes.

Adjournment

With no further business before the Council, Mayor Compton adjourned the regular meeting at 8:53 P.M. The next regular meeting of City Council is scheduled to take place on Monday, July 17, 2023, at 7:30 P.M.

Approved: _____


Mayor

ATTEST: _____


Clerk of Council