

Minutes of the Centerville **City Council Work Session** held Tuesday, January 16, 2024 at 5:30 p.m., with participants present at City Hall, 250 North Main Street.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor	Clark Wilkinson
Council Members	Cheylynn Hayman Gina Hirst William Ince Robyn Mecham Brian Plummer Spencer Summerhays

STAFF PRESENT

Brant Hanson, City Manager
Lisa Romney, City Attorney
Jennifer Robison, City Recorder
Lisa Bednarz, IT Manager
Mike Smith, GIS Specialist
Bryce King, Administrative Services Director
Paul Child, Centerville Police Chief
Lt. Allen Ackerson, Centerville Police Department
Haley Turner, Community Services Manager
Mike Carlson, Public Works Director
Dave Walker, Utilities Manager
Whitney Black, Assistant Planner

VISITORS

Jordan Sibert, Verkada
Jay Maxwell, Geneva Communications

Mayor Wilkinson called the work session to order at 5:49 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION – DISCUSSION OF CITY SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS

At 5:50 p.m., Councilmember Summerhays made a **motion** to move to a closed session in Council Chambers without a recording for the purpose of discussing security devices, with intent to return to open work session. Councilmember Hirst seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous vote (5-0). In attendance at the closed session: City Manager Brant Hanson; City Attorney Lisa Romney; City Recorder Jennifer Robison; IT Manager Lisa Bednarz; GIS Specialist Mike Smith; Administrative Services Director Bryce King; Lt. Allen Ackerson; Police Chief Paul Child; Jordan Sibert with Verkada; Jay Maxwell with Geneva Communications.

The Council returned to open work session at 6:34 p.m.

DISCUSSION OF 4TH OF JULY

Mayor Wilkinson said Wendy and Danny Inkley had accepted positions as Co-Chairs of the 4th of July Committee. He reported that the fireworks supplier the City had worked with in the past was available to provide fireworks in Centerville on July 6, 2024, but was not available on July 3rd or 4th. Mayor Wilkinson suggested a parade on the morning of July 4th, with park festivities on Saturday, July 6th at Community Park with fireworks. Councilmember Mecham asked if the Mayor had looked at the cost of holding park festivities and fireworks on July 3rd. She said she

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had heard from many residents that it was tradition to celebrate on the 3rd and 4th, not the 5th or 6th.

The Council discussed options. Police Chief Paul Child commented that his entire Department was on duty on the 4th for the parade and for festivities in the park, and said it was nice for some of his officers to have a day off between the 4th and the day with festivities in the park. The Council discussed 4th of July celebration traditions of surrounding cities.

Councilmember Summerhays expressed support for the celebration schedule suggested by Mayor Wilkinson. Councilmember Hirst said she understood the concerns expressed by Councilmember Mecham, but agreed with the proposed schedule with her understanding of all the moving parts involved in organizing the events. Councilmember Hirst emphasized that sharing the schedule with the residents would be important.

Councilmember Plummer said he agreed it was tradition to celebrate on July 3rd and 4th. He volunteered to help with the 4th of July Committee, and suggested looking into finding a different fireworks supplier. Councilmember Hirst commented that the fireworks supplier the City had worked with in the past was from Centerville, and had been very generous in giving Centerville far more than the City had paid for over the years. Councilmember Hirst suggested the City would pay more for less with a different supplier. City Manager Brant Hanson said the market rate for a fireworks show was \$1,000 per minute. Councilmembers commented that the Centerville fireworks presentation had been at least 25 minutes, often much longer. Mr. Hanson said the City had definitely paid less than the market rate.

Councilmember Mecham said the Centerville 4th of July celebration was a tradition on July 3rd and 4th that had stayed the same for 50 or 60 years. She said she understood the logistics and reasons involved, and would support the consensus of the Council, but was sad that everything had changed.

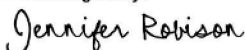
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT REPORT

Public Works Director Mike Carlson provided an update regarding Public Works Department projects, and answered questions from the Council. The Council and Mr. Carlson discussed plans and funding for street maintenance. Mayor Wilkinson thanked Mr. Carlson for the report.

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:13 p.m., Councilmember Hirst **moved** to adjourn the work session.

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Jennifer Robison, City Recorder

2/7/2024 | 3:13 PM MST

Date Approved

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