

Minutes of the Centerville **City Council** meeting held Tuesday, August 6, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. with participants present at Centerville City Hall, 250 North Main Street.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Clark Wilkinson

Council Members
 Cheylynn Hayman
 Robyn Mecham
 Brian Plummer
 Gina Hirst
 Spencer Summerhays

STAFF PRESENT

Brant Hanson, City Manager
 Lisa Romney, City Attorney
 Jennifer Robison, City Recorder
 Marc Marchant, Streets Supervisor
 Mike Carlson, Public Works Director
 Mike Eggett, Community Development Director
 Haley Turner, Community Services Manager
 Allen Ackerson, Centerville Police Chief
 Bruce Cox, Parks and Recreation Director
 Nate Plaizier, Finance Director
 Sydney DeWees, Planner
 Kevin Campell, City Engineer

VISITORS

Interested citizens

PRAYER OR THOUGHT

Councilmember Plummer

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

OPEN SESSION

No comments

INTRODUCTION OF NEW EMPLOYEES

Public Works Director Mike Carlson shared that Lauren Nance was hired as the new administrative assistant, but she was unable to attend. Sydney DeWees was introduced as the new City Planner. Ms. DeWees shared her background in community and economic development, emphasizing her commitment to preserving Centerville's sense of community.

PUBLIC HEARING – CENTERVILLE MUNICIPAL CODE AMENDMENTS – PARKSTRIPS, STREET TREES, SIDEWALK REPLACEMENT PROGRAM, AND PUBLIC UTILITY EASEMENTS ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS – CMC 11.02 (PARKSTRIPS), CMC 11.05 (SIDEWALK REPLACEMENT PROGRAM), CMC 11.06 (PUBLIC UTILITY EASEMENTS)

Streets Supervisor Marc Marchant and City Attorney Lisa Romney presented a proposed amendment to the Centerville Municipal Code regarding planting trees in the parkstrips. They highlighted tree roots leading to trip hazard and infrastructural damage. A plan was introduced for

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removing trees within 4-foot park strips, supported by a tree voucher program encouraging replacements on private property.

Councilmembers shared diverse views, considering security for utility lines, exploring alternative means of reducing liability, and evaluating the overall benefits and costs involved in managing trees within the park strip.

Mayor Wilkinson opened a public hearing for this item.

Stephanie Ivie, Centerville resident, advocated for the safety of children walking to school, and that trees in the parkstrip drop leaves and small fruits that create slipping hazards. She also mentioned that there is salt in the parkstrips, and that trees don't do well with salt, and the shallow roots become vulnerable to windstorms.

Elisa Ray, Centerville resident, encouraged education for homeowners on where and how to plant trees. She emphasized prioritizing shade on the sidewalks for a livable, walkable community.

Jacqueline Black, Centerville resident, stated concerns about unnecessary tree removal, and sought clarification on the process.

Anne Linton, Centerville resident, shared her concerns about trees being removed and not replaced. She emphasized that established trees increase the value of a home and neighborhood.

Joy Chambers, Centerville resident, echoed concerns about trees being removed and not replaced affecting the value of a neighborhood. She said that there are other important things to consider above just costs, and that the benefits of maintaining trees outweigh the costs.

Sara Stettler, Centerville resident, encouraged more discussion, community involvement and input, an open house, and ideas of how to bring in more trees to the community.

Mark Alsop, Centerville resident, asked if there would be an appeal process, or way for residents to voice their concern about removing a particular tree. He asked clarifying questions of the proposed ordinance.

Mayor Wilkinson closed the public hearing.

Councilmember Hirst **moved** to table the item and continue the public hearing to the August 20th City Council meeting. Councilmember Mecham seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous vote (5-0).

FEE SCHEDULE AMENDMENTS – SUBDIVISION FEES – MINOR SUBDIVISION AND EXPIRED SUBDIVISIONS APPROVALS – CFS 18 (SUBDIVISION FEES)

Ms. Romney proposed amendments to the fee schedule for subdivision fees, including minor subdivisions and expired approvals. It was recommended to reduce the fee by 50% for expired subdivision approvals, provided reapplication occurs within 18 months of initial approval. The fee change intends to balance administrative work and costs in line with approval processes.

Councilmember Summerhays **moved** to approve Resolution No. 2024-19 amending Section 18.020 of the Centerville Fee Schedule to change the reference from Lot Splits to Minor

Subdivisions and enacting Section 18.065 of the same regarding Expired Subdivision Approvals. Councilmember Hayman seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous vote (5-0).

SUMMARY ACTION CALENDAR

1. Bond Reduction #1 (Final - No Warranty) – Dave's Auto Site Plan Amendment in the amount of \$9,300
2. Bond Reduction #1 (Final - No Warranty) – Alumatec Site in the amount of \$65,692.00
3. Parks Department Vehicle Purchase – one new Parks Department truck in the amount of \$58,940.00

Councilmember Hirst **moved** to approve all Summary Action items as listed above. Councilmember Hayman seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous vote (5- 0).

MINUTES REVIEW AND APPROVAL

Minutes of the July 16, 2024 Work Session and City Council, and July 30, 2024 Special City Council meetings were reviewed. Councilmember Hirst **moved** to approve all sets of minutes. Councilmember Mecham seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous vote (5-0).

COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT

- Councilmember Mecham reported no changes from UTOPIA.

MAYOR REPORT

- Mayor Wilkinson reported presenting the state of the City to the Rotary Club.
- Mayor Wilkinson shared that fire chief recruitment is open until August 16th.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

- Mr. Hanson reported on his attendance at the URMMA conference, highlighting legislation updates, governmental immunity policy issues, park inspection program, and cyber security.

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:31 pm, Councilmember Hayman **moved** to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Hirst seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous vote (5-0).

Jennifer Robison
Jennifer Robison, City Recorder

8/21/2024 | 4:57 PM MDT
Date Approved

