

Minutes of the Centerville **City Council Work Session** held Tuesday, October 7, 2025 at 5:30 pm, with participants present at City Hall, 250 North Main Street.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Clark Wilkinson

Council Members Robyn Mecham
Brian Plummer
Gina Hirst
Spencer Summerhays

MEMBERS ABSENT Cheylynn Hayman

STAFF PRESENT

Brant Hanson, City Manager
Lisa Romney, City Attorney
Jennifer Robison, City Recorder
Nate Plaizier, Finance Director
Bryce King, Administrative Services Director
Bruce Cox, Parks and Recreation Director
Mike Eggett, Community Development Director
Mike Carlson, Public Works Director
Dave Walker, Deputy Public Works Director
Allen Ackerson, Chief of Police
Louisa McDonald, Centerville Police Department
Steve Hunt, Public Works Department

VISITORS

Kelly Sharp, Citizen Corps Council
Interested citizens

DISCUSSION – ELECTRIC MICROMOBILITY DEVICES

Chief Allen Ackerson outlined issues related to e-bikes, e-scooters, and e-motorcycles, noting safety concerns, property damage in parks, and a recent fatal accident in Farmington. He explained state classifications and age restrictions for e-bikes and clarified that under current law, e-bikes are treated as bicycles with no location limits.

Councilmembers discussed safety risks in parks and on sidewalks, expressing concern about high speeds near pedestrians. Chief Ackerson recommended prohibiting electric micromobility devices in parks to simplify enforcement, and the council generally supported the idea. Staff were directed to draft an ordinance banning such devices in parks, with provisions for bike racks at park entrances.

DISCUSSION – CITIZEN CORPS COUNCIL

Chief Ackerson presented on the Centerville Citizen Corps Council, which has operated since 2008 to coordinate city emergency management efforts. He noted challenges with leadership continuity due to reliance on church callings for district leaders and proposed formalizing the group as a city committee. The new Centerville Citizen Corps Committee would

feature mayoral appointments with council consent, improved funding options, broader community representation, and greater operational stability.

Kelly Sharp clarified that all faith-based and community groups would be invited to participate, ensuring city-led coordination. Councilmembers voiced strong support, emphasizing the importance of city leadership in emergency management. The council unanimously supported the proposal, and Mayor Wilkinson commended Chief Ackerson and others involved for their efforts.

DISCUSSION – CHURCH WELL

Public Works Director Mike Carlson presented concerns regarding the Church Well, which provides public access to untreated water, noting that de-icing chemicals used nearby pose a risk under source protection regulations. He outlined five options: shutting off the well completely, closing it seasonally, eliminating de-icing chemicals, continuing current operations with risk, or charging users for water.

Councilmembers discussed the well's high usage and potential public response. Councilmember Hirst suggested reviewing usage data since the removal of fluoride on July 1, 2025, while Councilmember Summerhays requested a year-over-year comparison from July 1 to September 30 for 2024 and 2025. The council agreed not to implement a full shutdown at this time, emphasizing the importance of protecting the water source, and directed staff to collect usage data and survey residents before making a final decision. Mr. Carlson noted that contamination could affect multiple wells and cost over \$1 million to address, and that implementing a payment system posed logistical challenges. The council will revisit the issue after reviewing the collected data and feedback.

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:05 pm, Councilmember Summerhays **moved** to adjourn the work session. Councilmember Hirst seconded the motion which passed by a unanimous vote (4-0).


Jennifer Robison, City Recorder

10/21/2025
Date Approved

