

Council Work Session

June 19, 2018

Meeting called to order by Mayor Harley at 5:00pm.

Invocation given by Councilman Andrews.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Alicia Mikowski (Economic Development Intern)

Welcome extended to all by Mayor Harley.

Present were Mayor John R Harley, Councilman Cameron Andrews, Councilman J. Micheal Evans, Councilman Edward Armijo and City Attorney Rebecca Tydings. Absent, Councilman Justin Wright, serving as chaperone for youth group with church.

Public Comments

Susan Lemme, 219 Mason Drive, requesting that her statement that was made at the June 5, 2018 council meeting be revised re: pay study survey. Comments made re: FY 2018-2019, stating she is a retiree wants to trust that the government is doing what is responsible within in the budget. Mentioned Houston County budget, a \$19,000 increase in E 911 in Houston County, all budgets have discretionary funds. Commented that she had noticed there are minimal funds in the book line item for the Fire and Police Department. Inquired about training for the Mayor and Council, asking if all training is required. Hope this is considered, are there published travel guidelines and if so are they being monitored. Mayor responded re: transient education, restrictive on where he goes and they (Mayor and Council) make every effort to be good stewards of funds. Also, have new elected officials that are attending training to help serve the citizens more efficiently. All items proposed in the budget are thought through carefully.

Old Business

New Business

Presentation-Award Ceremony Police Department: Councilman Armijo deferred to Police Chief Hadden. Chief Hadden John presented Lt Radebaugh, Sgt Powell, Corporal Mashuga and Officer Wilcox with plaque and pins for their heroism and bravery. Chief Hadden read the following statements during presentation. See below.

The Centerville Police Department presents Lieutenant Scott Radebaugh with a Decoration of Merit, "Life Saving Badge" for actions above and beyond the call of duty on April 11, 2018. Lieutenant Radebaugh responded to a vehicle crash near 908 Collins Avenue in Centerville, Georgia. Upon arrival the vehicle involved was on fire. Lieutenant Radebaugh rushed to the vehicle and found the driver trapped by the seat belt inside. Lieutenant Radebaugh broke out the passenger side of the vehicle and with total disregard to their safety, he and Sergeant Powell entered the burning vehicle and pulled the driver to safety. Had it not been for these Officers heroic actions the driver would have certainly perished in the fire.

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On April 27, 2018 at 2157 hours Officer Jeremy Mashuga and Tyler Willcox responded to a Domestic Dispute at 101 Jeannette Place in Centerville, Georgia case # 2018-02156. Officer Mashuga arrived first and made contact with a male, later identified as Perry J. Baggett. While Officer Mashuga was talking to the subject Officer Willcox arrived and got out of his vehicle. The female in the dispute then came out of the garage, Officer Mashuga looked over at the female and Baggett pulled out a pistol and shot Officer Mashuga in the stomach area just below his vest. Mashuga fell to the ground and began to crawl away. Officer Willcox came to Mashuga's aid and pulled him behind Willcox's vehicle. Willcox began to render aid to Mashuga by placing gauze on the gunshot wound and covering him. Baggett went to a window on the second floor and began a second volley of shots at the Officers. Warner Robins PD and Houston SO Officers had arrived and began to return fire. Officer Mashuga was hit a second time in his foot during the second round of fire. Officer Willcox got Mashuga into his vehicle and headed to the hospital. The ambulance met Willcox and Mashuga was transferred to the ambulance and transported to the hospital for treatment. Willcox then went back to the scene to assist the other officers where a standoff was in progress. Baggett continued to fire at officers until he was extracted from the house about 0615 hours on April 28, 2018.

These two officers should be commended for their courage under fire. Officer Mashuga's quick thinking saved his life by moving away from the gunfire, Officer Willcox's action to attend to his partner and to seek cover under fire possibly saved both officer's lives. Willcox placing his partner into his vehicle and taking him away from the scene, then meeting with the ambulance to get Mashuga to the hospital was commendable as well. Willcox then went back to the scene and came under fire again.

These actions are exemplary of what officers do on a daily basis and they should be commended.

The Centerville Police Department presents Officer Tyler Willcox with a medal of valor for actions above and beyond the call of duty; and exhibiting exceptional courage, extraordinary decisiveness and presence of mind, unusual swiftness of action, regardless of his personal safety, in an attempt to save or protect human life.

On 4/27/2018 Officer Tyler Willcox responded to a call for service within the City of Centerville. Upon arrival, Cpl. Jeremy Mashuga was shot almost immediately. Officer Willcox ran to Cpl. Mashuga's location. While covering Cpl. Mashuga, Officer Willcox searched for the suspect involved in the shooting and provided medical aid. Once possible Officer Willcox placed Cpl. Mashuga into his patrol unit and drove him to safety and to awaiting medical personnel. Officer Willcox's actions reflect greatly of City of Centerville and all professional law enforcement officers.

Adoption Resolution FY 2018-2019 Budget: Councilman Andrews thanked the budget committee, Department Heads and City Accountant Harrison. Everyone did a great job this year. There is always a room for improvement, we operate a well-oiled machine. Councilman Andrews added that Councilman Wright learned a tremendous amount while serving on the budget committee, he has had a lot of conversation with him re: budget. City Accountant Harrison stated Councilman Evans and Councilman Wright were diligent and put a lot of time and effort serving on the committee. Motion made by Councilman Evans to adopt Resolution as written; seconded by Councilman Andrews.

Mayor Harley read the following statement on behalf of Councilman Wright. I fully support the recommended budget. Councilman Evans and I enjoyed the challenge of serving on the budget committee and I believe we have proposed a very well rounded budget. While it does call for an increase in spending, that increase is less than one percent from the last fiscal year. Particularly interesting to me is the funding of Center Park Phase One. We have just begun to scratch the surface of the many ways this project will serve the citizens of Centerville for generations to come.

Councilman Evans stated serving on the budget committee was a privilege. Was able to really see line by line where the funds are going. Looked at the needs for our citizens and stated that you can rest assure that your city council is handling the funds properly. Councilman Armijo one of the things is fiscal responsibility we all work very hard during the non-planning time, when situations come up work with City Accountant Harrison throughout the year. Mayor Harley called for the motion. Motion carried. See Resolution 2018-5.

Councilman over Departments: Mayor Harley opened the floor for comments or if all approve entertain a motion. Motion made by Councilman Evans accepting recommendation Councilman over Departments effective July 1, 2018; seconded by Councilman Armijo. Motion carried. See below.

<u>Water & Sewer</u>	<u>Fire Department</u>	<u>Police Department</u>	<u>Administration</u>	<u>Economic Development</u>
Wright	Armijo	Evans	Andrews	Wright
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Knox Box Ordinance: Chief Jones seeking approval tonight to adopt ordinance as written. Motion made by Councilman Andrews; seconded by Councilman Evans. Councilman Armijo inquired about cost to business owners. There is a minimal upfront cost, one-time fee. Motion carried. See Ordinance 2018-3.

McEver Work Detail Contract: Councilman Evans recognized Director of Operations Brumfield. A copy of the contract was provided in the council packets for review. Mr. Brumfield stated

there is no increase and City Attorney Tydings has reviewed contract. Seeking approval. Motion made by Councilman Evans to approve contract and authorize Mayor Harley to sign; seconded by Councilman Andrews. Motion carried.

Comments from Council

Post 1 Councilman Andrews, no comment.

Post 2 Councilman Evans, no comment.

Post 4 Councilman Armijo, recognized Chief Hadden, stating that he did a great job with presentation. When you think about these things, lifesaving and individuals being shot, the caliber of people in the city and working for the city is great.

Mayor Harley, stated the professionalism and training in the Police Department is more than worth it and will continue supporting them.

Mayor Harley adjourned meeting at 5:39pm.

Mayor John R. Harley

Attest by City Clerk Krista Bedingfield

Date