

Council Work Session

July 16, 2019

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

Invocation given by Councilman Andrews.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Councilman Armijo.

Welcome extended to all by Mayor John R. Harley. Expressed condolences re: recent passing of Mr. Robert "Bob" Smith, Centerville's First Fire Chief and former Councilman. Also mentioned Centerville resident Toni Copeland and stated we will miss them. They have done a lot for the city.

Present were Mayor John R. Harley, Councilman Cameron Andrews, Councilman J. Micheal Evans and Councilman Edward Armijo. Absent, Councilman Justin Wright and City Attorney Rebecca Tydings.

Rules of Decorum: Mayor Harley went over Rules of Decorum.

Public Comments

None

Adoption of Minutes: Blanket motion made by Councilman Andrews to adopt minutes as written; seconded by Councilman Evans. Motion carried.

- June 4, 2019
- June 18, 2019 Council Work Session
- June 27-28, 2019 Planning Retreat

Old Business

None

New Business

Authorization-Signature of Engagement Letter Nichols, Cauley & Assoc. LLC for Year End 06-30-2019 Audit: Councilman Armijo deferred to City Accountant Harrison. Mrs. Harrison informed Mayor and Council that a copy of the engagement letter was included in meeting packets. Summarizes audit, cost, and responsibilities. Seeking approval and authorization for Mayor Harley to sign engagement letter. Motion made by Councilman Armijo to approve and authorize Mayor Harley to sign engagement letter; seconded by Councilman Evans. Councilman Evans inquired cost of audit. Mrs. Harrison referenced pg. 5 of letter, estimate of cost \$ 31,500 for 2019 audit. Motion carried.

Point of Information-Letter to General Cedric D. George Mayor John Harley read letter that he had sent to General George in recognition of his 32 years of service as a member of the U.S. Air Force. Copy of letter attached and made part of official minutes.

Ordinance- Brunch Bill-Referendum Question: Director of Marketing Hogan reminded all that this had been discussed prior; language was taken from other municipalities. Motion made by Councilman Armijo to accept ordinance as written; seconded by Councilman Evans. Mayor Harley called for vote. Mayor Harley, Councilman Armijo and Councilman Evans vote in favor. Councilman Andrews opposed. Motion carried. See Ordinance 2019-2.

Point Of Information Scarborough Property: Councilman Andrews made motion to table until further information is collected; seconded by Councilman Evans. Motion carried.

Comments from Council

Post 1 Councilman Andrews, before coming to the meeting tonight, learned that former Fire Chief/ Councilman Robert “Bob” Smith had passed away. It was an honor to serve on the council with him, he was the oldest and I was the youngest. I will miss him, had really good conversations. Honor to serve, he turned 95 and lived well.

Post 3 Councilman Evans, stated honored Mr. Smith’s service to the city.

Post 4 Councilman Armijo, sad to hear of Mr. Smith’s passing, someone who has put their time and effort to make the city better.

Mentioned neighborhood watch, complaints about traffic, Centerville has been all over this, trying to keep everyone safe. It’s unfortunate to think that people say we (police) are out here to increase our income due to citations. Without our law enforcement, and animal control they keep our city safe. The community appreciates them being out there and sacrifices they have to make, along with other city employees. Neighborhood watch is a great community organization. Encouraged citizens to attend and be a part of the community, meet your neighbors. Staff is doing a great job, appreciate all of their hard work. This is what makes a great team effort. Take my hat off to the law enforcement.

Post 3 Councilman Evans, reminded all of the upcoming Housing Fair, Tuesday, August 6 from 5-7pm, will be held at City of Centerville community room. There will be vendor’s present providing information about a lot of things; financial literacy, down payment assistance programs and a housing issue that may affect Centerville residents. Flyers are available to the public; this is something else going on for our residence and community. Encourage all to come out.

Mayor Harley, city recognizes what former Fire Chief/ Councilman Robert “Bob” Smith has done for our city. Flags are half-staff in honor of his passing. Brag all the time about Councilmembers. Councilman Evans was presented with certificate of distinction at GMA Convention in June.

Mayor Harley adjourned 5:21pm.

Mayor John R. Harley

Date

Attest by City Clerk Krista Bedingfield