## **Regular Council Meeting**

## August 4, 2020

Meeting held virtual via zoom.

Meeting called to order by Mayor Harley at 7:00pm.

Invocation given by Councilman Evans.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Councilman Armijo.

Welcome Extended to all by Mayor Harley.

Present were Mayor John R. Harley, Councilman Cameron Andrews, Councilman Justin Wright, Councilman J. Micheal Evans, Councilman Edward Armijo, City Attorney Rebecca Tydings, City Accountant Carol Harrison, Fire Chief Jason Jones, Director of Marketing Kate Hogan and City Clerk Krista Bedingfield.

<u>Adoption of Minutes</u>: Motion made by Councilman Andrews to adopt all sets of minutes as written; seconded by Councilman Wright. Motion carried.

- July 7, 2020
- July 21, 2020 Council Work Session
- July 27, 2020 Special Council Meeting

## **Old Business**

None

**New Business** 

Proclamation Declaring Tuesday August 4, 2020 General John C. Kubinec Day In Centerville:

Mayor Harley recognized City Clerk Bedingfield to read proclamation. Motion made by Councilman Wright to adopt as written; seconded by Councilman Evans. Motion carried.

Mayor Harley read the following statement from General Kubinec.

"Please pass along my profound thanks to men and women of City of Centerville for all they do for Robins Air Force Base and our military. You live every day in middle Georgia as military appreciation day through your actions deeds and policy. It is a great honor to be recognized in your city. I am humbled and grateful. My family and I look forward to being a part of Middle Georgia community."

Mayor Harley stated this is a very proud moment to recognize General Kubinec.

Councilman Armijo stated it is an honor to be able to do this, he has done a lot for our community.

<u>Approval Grant Agreement State of Georgia - Coronavirus Relief Fund (CARES ACT)</u>: Mayor Harley recognized City Accountant Harrison. Mrs. Harrison stated that the Mayor and Council

have the opportunity to enter into a grant agreement with the State of Georgia to receive grant funds through the CARES ACT specific to Coronavirus Relief Fund. These grant funds went directly from the US Treasury to the State of Georgia. The Georgia Municipal Association and the ACCG (Association County Commissioners of Georgia) requested the state share a portion of these funds with local governments. Centerville's Phase I allocation of the Coronavirus Relief Funds is \$ 412,709.00. Centerville's advanced funding is \$ 123,813 and will receive the balance in (2) ACH deposits upon submittal of documentation for eligible expenditures. A copy of the grant agreement provided to Mayor and Council. Motion made by Councilman Evans that the City of Centerville enter into the grant agreement with the State of Georgia and accept the terms and conditions of the Coronavirus Relief Fund; seconded by Councilman Armijo. Motion carried.

<u>Public Hearing Financing of the Acquisition, Construction and Installation of the New Fire Station</u>: Mayor Harley recognized City Accountant Harrison. Mrs. Harrison stated that tonight the city will have a public hearing regarding the financing of the acquisition/ construction and installation of the new fire station for the City of Centerville. The fire station project is to be financed through an installment sale agreement between Georgia Municipal Association Inc. as lessor/ seller and the City of Centerville, Georgia as lessee/purchaser. Notification of this public hearing was placed on the city's website and advertised in the Houston Home Journal so as to give the pubic an opportunity to submit questions. There were (3) questions submitted. There were 558 views on the website of this notification.

Mayor closed the regular council meeting and opened the public hearing at 7:12pm.

Director Hogan stated there are no questions at this time on the website, recommended to allot additional 30seconds for additional time. No questions.

Mayor Harley closed public hearing and opened regular council meeting at 7:13pm.

Mrs. Harrison stated there this serves as the required public hearing no motion or action necessary.

Awarding of Bid – Sale of property Land Lot 112 of the Fifth Land District, 1.40 acres, 101 Miller Court, Fire Station Project: Councilman Evans recognized City Accountant Harrison. Mrs. Harrison stated the City of Centerville has placed the property at Land Lot 112 of the fifth land district, 1.40 acres, 101 Miller Court for sale in conjunction with the financing/ construction of the new Fire Station Project. This public sale was advertised in the HHJ on July 15, 22, 29 in accordance with OCGA. The City received one bid on the property from the Georgia Municipal Association. Motion made by Councilman Evans to award the sale of the property to the Georgia Municipal Association; seconded by Councilman Armijo. Motion carried.

<u>Center Park Monument Sign</u>: Councilman Evans had the opportunity to see the rendition of the sign that will be placed at Center Park. Director of Marketing Hogan provided a series of quotes for a 22' monument sign; located corner of E Church and Houston Lake Blvd. There are (2) quotes: Best Signs and The Sign Store. Motion made by Councilman Evans authorizing expenditure to be paid out of the Center Park Budget; seconded by Councilman Wright. Motion carried. Copy of quotes and rendition of sign attached and made part of official minutes.

<u>Change Order Request #1-Center Park</u>: Councilman Evans making progress on the park; as we go along we learn about some things we might have missed. Director of Marketing Hogan provide a copy of the change order, just in order to put in the final touches, in the amount of

\$27,656.75. Motion made by Councilman Evans to approve expenditure for change order request will be paid from Center Park Budget 6200-Department in General Fund; seconded by Councilman Armijo. Motion carried.

## **Comments from Council**

<u>Post 1, Councilman Andrews</u>, went by Center park today have been taking pictures of the progress, 6:30 am cement trucks out, paved the sidewalk to the big oak to the parking lot by the restrooms. One of the things they are trying to finish up, curb and gutter, both contractors working together. Would do your heart good if you physically walked it, exciting to see progress, close to completion.

<u>Post 2, Councilman Wright</u>, briefly expressed thanks for their patience as we continue to slowly and deliberately, deal with COVID, proud of employees that have picked up new skills. Very proud of our folks as they continue to run city.

<u>Post 3, Councilman Evans</u>, as mentioned by the other two council members we are making a lot of progress, city employees are growing looking back the last 4 years of progress. Makes me proud to be a part of city council and things that are going on and being a catalyst. For a long time, we have been giving the citizens only services that they have paid for; now giving them something they can use and enjoy - Center Park - glad city council has been able to work together to make this happen.

<u>Post 4, Councilman Armijo</u>, wanted to recognize city employees and department heads for working with employees that have been quarantined for safety measures, challenging and difficult time. It's important that citizens and employees know we are keeping an eye for situation. Thanked the daily notifications by department heads, safety measures. Also thanked City Accountant Harrison and City Attorney Tydings for their hard work on the financing on the acquisition of the fire station, a lot of time, appreciate all they have done, working as a team. Thanked everyone and be safe.

Mayor Harley, got a comment from General Kubinec – the Proclamation was very humbling, but you will have to fight Tommy Stalnaker on who I will pay taxes to. Thanked the citizens for standing beside us as we deal with these trying times. We love the city and people working here to help make it through these times.

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Attest by City Clerk Krista Bedingfield	
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Meeting adjourned at 7:27pm.