

Council Work Session
November 16, 2021

Meeting called to order by Mayor Harley.
Invocation given by Mayor Harley.
Pledge of Allegiance led by Director of Operations Brumfield.

Welcome Extended to all by Mayor Harley.

Present were Mayor John R. Harley, Councilman Justin Wright, Councilman J. Micheal Evans and Councilman Edward Armijo. Absent, Councilman Robert D. Bird, Jr. and City Attorney Rebecca Tydings.

Public Comments

None

Old Business

None

New Business

Point of Information Christmas Bonus: Mayor Harley stated that this was included in budget; bonus will be received on December 3, 2021 payroll. Thanked everyone and their hard work during the pandemic, expressed appreciation. A small sign of their appreciation.

Approval List of 2022 LMIG Streets for Re-Surfacing: Councilman Armijo recognized Director of Operations Brumfield. Provided a list of 2022 streets for re-surfacing as provided by the State of Georgia. Seeking approval tonight for 2022 LMIG streets for re-surfacing. Councilman Wright asked for clarification between the streets on the list and the Trellis Walk. Director Brumfield stated that the Trellis Walk project is in more depth, because it involves rebuilding the whole road. Bids on that project are due Dec 6. The LMIG is only resurfacing. Motion made by Councilman Armijo to approve LMIG list for 2022; seconded by Councilman Evans. Motion carried.

Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) 2021 Check Presentation: Councilman Wright recognized Chief Jones. Chief Jones began presentation, before turning over to Bridgette Monroe with the MDA Association, who talked about progress, services and the impact of MDA. All the amazing things Centerville has done even through COVID, it has impacted MDA as well, they furloughed 75% of staff across the country. Traditional fund raising, boot drive, golf tournaments, social media, retail campaign. It was a devastating impact, had to pivot. Summer camp had to be offered virtual camp. Added camp kits, engaging MDA let's play, video gaming, platform where families we serve can connect with similar situations. Our goal moving forward is hoping we are at the plateau with COVID and have events in person next year. Have been able to research efforts, fulfill the commitments financially, last time here October 8, 2019, drugs had been approved, now we have 2021 14 drugs approved by the FDA. Centerville Fire Department has been supporting MDA for many years – in 2006, raised close to \$144,000. In 2019 boot drive raised \$12,500. Thanked all the support over the years and also those who played in the golf tournament, Recognized Mayor and Council and community for their unwavering support. Very grateful. Chief Jones reported that this year the Fire Department raised \$ 13,900.00.

Mayor Harley stated this is outstanding, great job.

Comments from Council

Post 2 Councilman Wright, congratulations to Councilman Armijo, the Veterans event at Center Park, great crowd and community support. Great key note speakers, good job, great day.

Post 3 Councilman Evans, echoed Councilman Wright's comments. Also, recognized efforts by the Fire Department raising funds for MDA. Wished all Happy Thanksgiving.

Post 4 Councilman Armijo, thanked Councilman Wright, the event was a success, not only participants but department heads that came there to help makes this a success, Fire and Public works, Police were there as well, takes the whole organization. Congratulations to the Fire Department.

Mayor Harley, Veterans Day was absolutely wonderful, thanked Councilman Armijo for his efforts putting on the event, recognizing the Veterans and families. Mentioned support from the families that had to deal with their deployments. Have been supporting MDA for years, very impressed with the amount of funds raised, the Fire Department did this, wonderful community we live in. Thanked Alicia Hartley, Event Coordinator for her work and wished her well with her new position. Informed all that the Lions Club is selling Turkeys and Hams for Thanksgiving.

Mayor Harley adjourned meeting at 5:29pm.

Mayor John R. Harley

Attest by City Clerk Krista Bedingfield

Date