

Council Work Session  
October 17, 2023

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

Invocation given by Councilman Armijo.  
Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Harley.  
Welcome Extended to all by Mayor Harley.

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

Public Comments

Roof Inspection Policy/ Procedures: Charles DeJournett, 206 Cashmere Ct-requested to be removed from the agenda.

Adoption of Minutes: Blanket motion made by Councilman Bird to adopt as written; seconded by Councilman Armijo. Motion carried.

- September 5, 2023
- September 19, 2023 Special Council Meeting
- September 19, 2023 Council Work Session

Old Business

None

New Business

Fire Prevention Week Proclamation: Councilman Armijo read proclamation proclaim October 8–14, 2023, as Fire Prevention Week throughout this City, and urge all the people of Centerville to check their kitchens for fire hazards and use safe cooking practices during Fire Prevention Week 2023, and to support the many public safety activities and efforts of Centerville’s fire and emergency services. Proclamation presented to Chief Jones.

Resolution 2nd Budget Amendment FY 2023: Councilman Bird recognized City Accountant Harrison. Mrs. Harrison provided a copy of the resolution to amend budget a copy of the summary is attached for review. Motion made by Councilman Bird to approve as written; seconded by Councilman Evans. Motion carried. See Resolution 2023-6.

Utilities Department Updates Road Projects, New Subdivision Projects and Bay Gaul Project: Councilman Evans stated he has taken a ride around the city and there are a lot of houses being constructed in several locations, excited.  
Director of Operations Brumfield provided update and provided a copy for all to review.

Public works

2023 LMIG project. The 2023 LMIG project has been completed. As you know we resurfaced Elberta Road from the Wilson Drive extension to CVP. We are in the process of prioritizing roads for the 2024 project.

SPLOST widening project. As you know Wilson Drive and Elberta Road are on the 2018 SPLOST County wide project list. This project is moving along very fast. The design/ROW documents are complete and securing of the needed ROWs has begun. This design does include a traffic circle (round a bout) where Wilson Drive and Collins Avenue intersect. This project will look a lot like the Church Street project with 3 lanes and sidewalks on both sides. As we did on Church Street, we will be relocating the existing utilities. We did not plan to be this far along until next year's budget. I have been working with the city accountant to develop a plan to complete this task as we do not want to slow the project down.

#### Water and Sewer

The upgrade of the lift station located at Oldstone Crossing/Grove Landing is complete. This was a project designed to upgrade the existing lift station to accommodate the additional 300+/- homes currently being built in Grove Landing.

The sewer trunk line project (Bay Gaul) is still in review with the state. All plans are complete and have been submitted for review. This project was designed to provide sanitary sewer to the new subdivision (Emerald Oaks) being built on Dunbar Road along with any future development in that area. We are currently working on easement/bid documents and will begin soon securing the needed easements to complete the project.

The department is doing very well. Although it has been slow, we have filled some of the open positions. We hope to be full soon. We have hired a replacement for Kiley Chancellor who will be leaving us at the end of the year. With our open slots in the department, we were able to get a replacement to start now and train with Kiley before she leaves.

#### Building Department

The building department is very busy. Our building inspections have increased 10-fold. We will be asking for another inspector position in this department next budget year. Without the ladies in the City Clerk's office, we would not survive. Currently we have seven building projects going strong.

1. Oldstone Crossing (approx. 600 lots) We now have 107 active permits for new construction, Finishing the last two phases in the subdivision.
2. Eagle Springs (approx. 600 homes completed) 3 new home active permits and 10 remodel permits.
3. Grove Landing (323 new lots) 25 active permits in phase 1) including pool and clubhouse. Phase 2 In review currently.
4. Emerald Oaks (313 lots) Review complete and approved for phase 1. No permits issued currently.
5. Aiden Hights (3 Duplex buildings in phase 2) 12 spaces total. 3 permits active.
6. Abbington @Galleria (1 building in phase 2) 80 units total, review complete, permits issued.
7. Fieldstone Phase 4. (56 lots total) Submitted for review, no permits issued currently.

Councilman Evans stated there is a lot is going on in Centerville, staff is growing, we will do what we need to do to provide those services.

Point of Information Police Department Corporal Promotion: Councilman Evans recognized Chief Duncan. When you start with an organization, you build a foundation if you build that foundation then everything else will follow. Officer Eisner has been doing a great job providing support to other team members, training and as a leader. Chief Duncan promoted Officer Eisner to Corporal.

Comments from Council

Post 1 Councilman Bird, reminded everyone about the Fall Festival this Saturday from 10am-5pm. Halloween Trick or Treating 6-8pm and trick or treating 3-5pm at city hall with Mayor and Council.

Post 3 Councilman Evans, mentioned that he had attended coffee with cops' event at the Houston Galleria Mall and spoke with several people. Also, informed all that there will be trick or treating at the Houston Galleria Mall.

Post 4 Councilman Armijo, October 26 District 6<sup>th</sup> meeting here in Warner Robins, 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President serving as an officer and hosting here in Warner Robins. Happy to be back here with friends and professionals, speaks volumes about our departments, pleased to be associated and represent the citizens.

Mayor Harley, stated he has been busy, going full blast, doing a lot great things. Be safe and have a great weekend coming up. Will be attending the Fall Festival and encouraged all to come out and enjoy.

Mayor Harley adjourned meeting at 5:25pm.

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Mayor John R Harley

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Attest by City Clerk Krista Bedingfield

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Date