

Council Work Session

January 16, 2024

5:00 pm

Meeting called to order by Mayor Harley at 5:05pm.

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

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

Public Comments

None

Old Business

None

New business

MDA Presentation to the Centerville Fire Department (Bridgett Monroe): Councilman Armijo recognized Chief Jones. Chief Jones recognized Ms. Monroe. Mrs. Monroe thanked everyone for having her today to do presentation. Every year in the Fall there is a conference-GFCA and MDA presents awards to organizations. Wanted to provide an update, since 2006, Centerville Fire Department has collected \$ 160,000 during our partnership. When you break things into population size, Centerville for 2022 raised \$16,500 in funds. Thanked them for their continued support with the golf tournament and boot drive. Ms. Monroe shared a YouTube video, showing MDA progress, great way to see how MDA has improved and changed lives. Thanked the wonderful department and community again for support. Presented Fire Department with plaque.

Councilman Wright entertained motion to remove executive session; seconded by Councilman Evans. Motion carried.

Proposed 2024 Calendar of Events City of Centerville-Center Park: Councilman Bird recognized Director of Economic Development Bryant. Mrs. Bryant stated that all items in bold on the calendar are new events. Councilman Evans asked Mrs. Bryant to do a quick overview of the calendar. Mrs. Bryant stated that some of these things are not necessarily happening at the park but at the city hall or events here in the city.

Councilman Armijo inquired about the Farmers Market not be listed on the event calendar. This is an attraction to encourage people to come out to the park and walk around. He stated that he has spoken with the vendors about the farmers markets and they stated there was confusion with communication. Hates to see it go away. Would like for this to be revisited it's about bringing out the community to the park.

Motion made Councilman Bird to adopt as written with amendments to change calendar if necessary; seconded by Councilman Wright. Motion carried.

Comments from Council

Mayor Harley, recognized Chris Coleman and welcomed him to the management team.

Councilman Bird Post 1, looking forward to some of the events, anything we can get people to come out to the park.

Councilman Wright Post 2, it's cold outside.

Councilman Evans Post 3, no comment.

Councilman Armijo Post 4, congratulated the fire department on the hard work they have done, it shows in all of the accolades, also provide education on fire safety to the children a great team. A lot to look forward to this year.

Mayor Harley, mentioned that he had attended the Mercer basketball game, appreciates them for recognizing the schools in our area. Be careful out tonight it's going to be cold, bring your pets in tonight. Thanked all of the department heads for their hard work, can't do it without them.

Mayor Harley adjourned meeting at 5:40pm.

Mayor John R. Harley

Attest by City Clerk Krista Bedingfield

Date