

City of Centerville City Council Special Workshop Meeting on October 1, 2026

The Centerville City Council met for a Special Workshop Meeting on Thursday, October 1, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building Meeting Room. Council members present were Lawrence Johnson, Charlie Shafer, Brian Jones, Rebecca Smith and Colton Adams. Mayor Bobby Walters called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and a quorum was established.

Charlie Shafer commended city employees on the good job they are all performing each day for the city. Brian Jones replied that he too wanted to thank city employees for their work ethics and continued efforts in always making sure city work is taken care of whether it be in the office or out in the field.

Rebecca Smith said she would like to see city projects prioritized in the future. She feels like securing a grant for a new sewer plant should be at the top of the list. She also would like to see city taxes raised and possibly annex some additional properties/land into the city limits.

Charlie Shafer asked Daniel Shirley if he knew an estimate on the amount of water and sewer lines that have been replaced or repaired. Daniel said he thought it was around 60 % of the lines that have been replaced or repaired at this time.

Brian Jones commented that he would like for city employees to get paid for their currently collected comp time hours and all future comp time/over time hours earned to be paid in the pay period they were obtained.

Bobby Walters explained that he would like to see more street signs mended or new ones placed where needed in the city. Bobby Walters said he agreed with Rebecca Smith in regards to the importance of getting a new sewer plant for the city. He said he was very pleased with the streets Daniel Shirley has recently had repaved and would like to see even more city streets repaved in the future.

Bobby Walters said he thinks it's time to revisit the city's personnel policy manual and have some things updated. He also stated that he would like certain properties within the city "cleaned up" and brought to a more attractive state. He said he thought it might be beneficial to have a city police department in the future and if the cost of this project was too much for the city to incur that it might be best to consider hiring an off-duty police officer as needed.

Bobby explained that during the BVCOG meetings he attends, a "Profit & Loss Budget vs Actual" report is presented and this might be something the city could begin doing at future City Council meetings.

Tim Franklin was in the audience and suggested the Mayor and City Council look into annexing 40 plus acres that is located by McCurdy Tire on the I45 feeder road.

Colton Adams remarked that he also would like to see more street signs replaced and more streets repaved in the future.

Brian Jones made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 p.m. A second motion was provided by Lawrence Johnson. Motion carried 5 ayes 0 noes and 0 absent



Teresa Bates, City Secretary



Bobby Walters, Mayor