

Mr. Barnes asked Mr. Beck if there had been any progress made on the road for Valley View Garden. Mr. Beck said they are surveying now. One of the reasons they might have some trouble is right-of-way.

Mayor Anderson opened an informal discussion on the Boone County Services Council.

Mr. Wilson stated he was involved in the committee that set up the Council. He has some reservations about the organization being able to carry out the task that has been set forth. And he also has reservations about the City Council's contribution to the Services Council. The organization would have to have the approval and support of the County Court. Another problem is that many of these organizations are volunteer. There is no way that Boone County Services Council can make them come under their control. If they are told to pool their resources, they, the people, may lose interest and cause the agencies to lose resources. The budget of the City creates a problem also. According to this agreement, if the Health Department requests funds for a program that would come under community service, the request would go to the Services Council. This adds another layer of decision making on the already cumbersome apparatus of the government. I do recognize a need for some sort of advisory service. I envision this as being somewhat as the Planning and Zoning Commission. A group of citizens who give up a good deal of their time and we could refer things to them. I have reservations about revenue sharing money being used for community services in administration. Usually the money stops there and does not filter down to the people who need it.

Mr. Barnes stated he thinks we need a community services agency within City government. We need this council to recommend and coordinate the services in Boone County.

Mr. Hanson stated he likes the idea of a Community Services Council, however he does not like the idea of having to pay for it. He is afraid that once we fund the Council we will be expected to continue to fund them. He also agrees that many times the people that benefit from these programs are the people in charge.

Mr. Pugh stated that the City Council would still have some control because they have the money. I think that the Community Council is trying to bring some order to a very confusing situation. I would be willing to go back to the Services Council and try to negotiate some more workable programs. I believe in these people's sincerity. The County Court is going to have to work with us on this.

Mr. Warren stated he felt that the City needs a department of Community Services. There are many programs in the Health Department and the Director of Youth Services in Parks and Recreation that should be in this department. He feels that the Boone County Services Council can't give us the detailed work that we need at this particular time. I like some of the ideas but I agree with Mr. Pugh, we should go back and try to work out something else.

Mr. Anderson stated he felt very strongly about this kind of Council and what they could do for the county. Our money would be well spent to find out the amount of money spent on Community services, who spends it and where it comes from.

Mr. Pugh asked that the County Court be brought in on the discussions.

The City Council decided to meet with the Community Services Council at a later date.

Mr. Wilson made an observation regarding the Board of Equalization. One of the two members appointed by the City was on vacation during part of the hearings. He thinks that the Council should take measures to see that this does not happen again.

COMMENTS OF VISITORS:

Jerry Kurth, 403 Bourn, feels that some mechanism be provided for those organizations who feel left out of Federal funding, allowing them to appeal for funds.

Mr. Pugh asked if they were still going to have an executive session tonight? If there is going to be one, I want a vote on it. It will not be unanimous but I will go along with the majority.

Mr. Anderson stated that they should have the meeting.

Mr. Pugh stated he would even move to have an executive session to get it out of discussion.

Mr. Anderson asked if it was important enough and Mr. Wilson said he thought it was. Mr. Anderson moved that the City Council go into an executive session as soon as they adjourn this meeting. Mr. Warren seconded and roll call vote taken as follows:

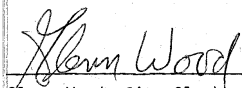
Ayes: Mrs. Frueh, Mr. Wilson, Mr. Anderson and Mr. Warren.

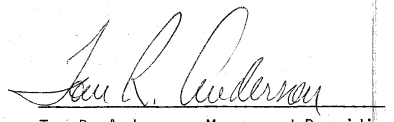
Nays: Mr. Pugh, Mr. Barnes and Mr. Hanson.

The motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT:

On proper motion meeting was adjourned at 10:05 p.m.


Glenn Wood, City Clerk


Tom R. Anderson, Mayor and Presiding Officer