

The Council of the city of Oakwood, State of Ohio, met in a work session at 6:30 p.m. in the conference room of the city of Oakwood, 30 Park Avenue, Oakwood, Ohio, 45419. Council then met in a regular session at 7:30 p.m., in the council chambers of the city of Oakwood.

The Mayor, Mr. William Duncan, presided, and the Clerk of Council, Ms. Lori Stacel, recorded. Mayor Duncan opened the meeting by asking all present to participate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Upon call of the roll, the following members of Council responded to their names:

MR. WILLIAM D. DUNCAN.....PRESENT
MR. STEVEN BYINGTON.....PRESENT
MR. ROBERT P. STEPHENS.....PRESENT
MRS. ANNE S. HILTON.....PRESENT
MR. CHRISTOPHER B. EPLEY.....PRESENT

Officers of the city present were the following:

Mr. Norbert S. Klopsch, City Manager
Mr. Jay A. Weiskircher, Assistant City Manager
Mr. Robert F. Jacques, City Attorney
Ms. Lori Stacel, Clerk of Council

The following visitors registered:

Stefanie Campbell, 271 Schenck Avenue
Brian Barr, *Oakwood Register*

Mrs. Hilton advised Council she had read the meeting minutes of the August 1, 2016 regular and work sessions, and August 22, 2016 work session. Mrs. Hilton reported she found the minutes correct and complete. Therefore, it was moved by Mrs. Hilton and seconded by Mr. Epley that the minutes of the sessions of Council aforementioned be approved as written and the reading thereof at this session be dispensed with. Upon a viva voce vote on the question of the motion, same passed unanimously and it was so ordered.

STATUS REPORTS

Proclamation – Mayor Duncan read a proclamation designating September 17-23 as “Constitution Week”.

Citizen Committee Appointments – City Council appointed the following Oakwood residents to citizen committees:

Dr. Bill Coyne, D.D.S. to the Board of Health; Bill Rieger (Precinct F) and Heidi Steinbrink (Precinct D) to the Budget Review Committee; Jill Kendall to the Personnel Appeals Board; Larry Lamb to the Property Maintenance Board (District E); and, Laurie Leach to the Environmental Committee.

It was moved by Mayor Duncan and seconded by Mr. Stephens that the aforementioned appointments be confirmed. Upon a viva voce vote on the question of the motion, same passed unanimously and it was so ordered.

LEGISLATION

A RESOLUTION

BY VICE MAYOR BYINGTON NO 1826
RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS
DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND
AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING
THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR.

A copy of the resolution, having been placed on the desks of each member of Council prior to introduction, was read by title.

Vice Mayor Byington explained that each tax year, the Montgomery County Budget Commission is required to certify its determination of the millage rates and amounts the city will receive from its existing property tax levies. For 2016-2017, the Budget Commission has determined that Oakwood will receive \$1,006,556 from inside millage and \$1,054,353 from its outside millage tax levies, which is consistent with the city’s projections. The total outside millage does not include the tax issue originally approved by Oakwood voters in 1991, which

expires this year and is up for a renewal vote in November. The \$1,054,353 represents the tax issue approved by Oakwood voters in 2013 only. This is Oakwood's annual resolution to accept the county's determination.

Thereupon, it was moved by Vice Mayor Byington and seconded by Mrs. Hilton that the resolution be passed.

Upon call of the roll on the question of the motion, the following vote was recorded:

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| MR. WILLIAM D. DUNCAN..... | YEA |
| MR. STEVEN BYINGTON..... | YEA |
| MR. ROBERT P. STEPHENS..... | YEA |
| MRS. ANNE HILTON..... | YEA |
| MR. CHRISTOPHER EPLEY..... | YEA |

There being five (5) yea votes and no (0) nay votes thereon, said resolution was declared duly passed and it was so ordered.

STAFF REPORT

Public Works Update: Mr. Klopsch shared that the most notable projects are street improvements. The Asphalt Pavement Program work is complete. The resurfacing project included grinding off a little over one inch of the pavement surface and placing new asphalt that should last at least 15 years. In addition to the mill and overlay, the Asphalt Rejuvenation Program was completed last week. This is a liquid surface treatment that is put down on recently repaved streets to extend the life of the new pavement. This project is typically done every 2-3 years in Oakwood. There is work left to complete on the Sidewalk, Curb and Driveway Apron Project. The work is taking place in the northeast quadrant of Oakwood and will continue into November.

Mr. Klopsch shared some capital projects that were completed this past spring. The Orchardly Park Basketball Court was rebuilt. The old court was completely excavated and was replaced by a base coat and finish coat of asphalt. Much of the project was completed by Oakwood Public Works employees, saving about \$20,000 in labor expenses. The Gardner Pool deck was rebuilt. The work was completed by Horticulturist Brian Caldwell and Public Works Foreman David Shuey. The city saved approximately \$15,000 by doing all of the deck construction work in-house.

The annual leaf collection program begins on Monday, October 10 and is scheduled to continue until Friday, December 16. Collection schedule information will be available on the city's website, as well as in the Oakwood Scene Newsletter. Every two weeks, leaves will be collected throughout Oakwood. Leaves should be pushed into the street gutter. The city is hiring four part-time employees to help with fall leaf collection.

The Water Meter Transmitter Replacement Project is in the final stages. The project should be completed by the end of the year.

The Public Works Department has acquired two new pieces of equipment. A front-end loader was purchased and is used daily for yard debris collection and for special pick-ups. A utility maintenance truck was purchased to address water/sewer issues. These items replaced old and worn out equipment.

The Public Works Department recently hired a new General Service Worker, Brian Faruki. He is a great addition to the team. Mark Wenning is retiring after being a mechanic with the city of Oakwood for the past 30 years. He was a wonderful employee who had the primary responsibilities of maintaining and repairing police cars and refuse scooters. Fortunately, the Public Works Department has a qualified mechanic on staff (Greg Brewer) that will be taking the mechanic position.

Mr. Klopsch shared that last Friday, Harman third graders visited the Public Works Center. He gave them a tour and shared that they all had a good time.

Mayor Duncan complimented the Public Works Department for their clean-up efforts after the recent storms.

Mr. Klopsch said that the city is blessed with an excellent Public Works staff.

Mayor Duncan reported that several years ago when the Engineer and Public Works Director resigned, City Manager Klopsch took on the additional role of Director of Engineering and Public Works.

CITY MANAGER'S COMMENTS – Mr. Klopsch provided an update on the following items:

The Vectren gas line work is continuing and the work along Shroyer Road should be finished by the end of the year. This is a continuation of a multi-year project to replace all of the underground gas distribution lines in Oakwood.

It was a great swim season at Gardner Pool. Mr. Klopsch shared that citizens continue to see Gardner Pool as a wonderful community asset.

The Dog Splash was this past Sunday. It was a great time with about 50 dogs enjoying the event.

The city is planning another Houk Stream clean-up event this year. It will take place from 9-11 a.m. on Saturday, November 5. The Oakwood Rotary Club and area Scout troops along with the general public will be invited.

The Oakwood Public Safety Department will have an Open House on Saturday, October 8 from 9 a.m. to noon. All residents are invited for a tour of the facility, demonstrations of the equipment and Public Safety Officer discussions.

The 2017 Budget is currently being prepared. Details of the budget will be presented to the Budget Review Committee at their October 11 meeting.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mr. Stephens shared that he spoke to the Harman third graders in Council Chambers to discuss the role of City Council. He said that it was a very enjoyable experience and is one of the many perks of being a member of City Council.

Mayor Duncan shared that he attended the Lutheran Church of Our Savior's 75th anniversary celebration on Sunday, September 11. This past Wednesday, Mayor Duncan and City Manager Klopsch attended the Mayors & Managers Association meeting in Troy. The meeting topic was opiate abuse. It was interesting to hear how Troy and Miami County are dealing with this growing problem. This Sunday, Mayor Duncan's Methodist Church was celebrating the 50th anniversary of their new building. He shared that there has been a church on that property since 1852. There was an old classic bell that looks similar to the Liberty Bell that hung in the steeple of one of the old church buildings that was placed in the memorial gardens. It is rarely rung, but on Sunday, one of the oldest members of the church rang the bell at the beginning and end of the service.

The public meeting concluded at 8:00 p.m.



MAYOR

ATTEST:



CLERK OF COUNCIL