

**MINUTES
OAKWOOD CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
OCTOBER 3, 2011**

The council of the city of Oakwood, Ohio, met in a work session on Monday, October 3, 2011 in the conference room of the Oakwood Municipal Building, 30 Park Avenue. The Mayor of the city, William Duncan, presided. Council members in attendance were Mayor William Duncan, Vice Mayor Steven Byington, Stanley Castleman, Rob Stephens and Anne Hilton; Staff in attendance were City Manager Norbert Klopsch and City Attorney Rob Jacques. Also attending was *DDN* reporter Jill Kelley.

Mayor Duncan opened the pre-council work session at 6 p.m. and led a discussion on the following agenda items.

- **STATUS REPORTS.** Mr. Klopsch mentioned that the Oath of Office for Steve Norris will not occur this evening but rather at the November 7 council meeting. Mr. Klopsch also noted that Chief Bebris will make a presentation this evening on a lifesaving event. Four Oakwood officers will be recognized. Mrs. Hilton will comment on the very successful Historical Society walking tour that took place a week ago Sunday.
- **VISITORS.** Mayor Duncan noted that Representative Jim Butler will attend the meeting this evening to report on issues being addressed at the Statehouse in Columbus. Council discussed questions they plan to present to Representative Butler.
- **LEGISLATION.** Mr. Castleman acknowledged that he will introduce the resolution regarding centralized income tax collection. Vice Mayor Byington asked for council's support of a Resolution opposing the closing of two post office branches, one in Trotwood and one in Dayton. He will present the resolution at the formal meeting this evening.
- **COUNCIL COMMITTEES**
 - **FINANCE, MR. CASTLEMAN**
 - 2.72 Mill Levy Renewal. Mr. Klopsch commented that the letter from BRC Chairman Dave Dickerson will be mailed next week. Council suggested that the letter be changed by including a pie chart showing the distribution of real estate tax...rather than the dollar bill diagram. Council also discussed ideas for two additional levy renewal support items. Mr. Klopsch suggested that two columns be prepared for publication in the local newspapers. One over his signature and the other over council's signature.
 - **PUBLIC PROPERTIES, MR. CASTLEMAN**
 - Old River Field and Geese. Council discussed the issue of geese at Old River Fields, in particular the goose droppings. The city is currently spending approximately \$10,000 annually in an effort to deter the geese. Staff will research other possible options.

- SAFETY & TRAFFIC, MR. STEPHENS
 - Regional Dispatch Center Costs. Mr. Klopsch commented on a paper recently prepared that explains the escalating costs of our regional dispatch center.
- MISCELLANEOUS
 - Facebook. Mr. Klopsch confirmed that council had received the draft Facebook and Social Media policy and mentioned that the Facebook account will be up and running very soon.
 - Holiday Turkey/Ham. Mr. Klopsch reported that the city spends approximately \$5,000 annually to provide each full-time and permanent part-time employee with a holiday turkey/ham. With the city looking at many different ways to cut expenses, council considered whether to discontinue this gift. Mr. Stephens suggested that the item be cut from the budget. The rest of council opined that the city should continue providing the gift.

At 7:15 p.m., Mayor Duncan asked for a motion to go to executive session for conference with attorney and labor negotiations. Motion by Mrs. Hilton; second by Mr. Castleman. Upon a viva voce vote, motion passed.

At 7:25 p.m., Mayor Duncan concluded the executive session at which time council moved to the formal meeting.

Mayor

ATTEST:

Clerk of Council

MEMORANDUM

TO: MEMBERS OF STAFF
FROM: NORBERT KLOPSCH
SUBJECT: COUNCIL MEETING WORK SESSION MINUTES
DATE: OCTOBER 5, 2011

Attached is a copy of the minutes from our most recent council work session. I send this to you for your information and follow through as appropriate. Please see me if you have any questions.

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