

**MINUTES
OAKWOOD CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
AUGUST 19, 2013**

The council of the city of Oakwood, Ohio, met in a work session on Monday, August 19, 2013 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.

Mayor Duncan called the council work session to order at 5 p.m. and began the meeting by providing an overview on the status of House Bill 5, the Ohio General Assembly's quest to rewrite the municipal income tax code. House Ways and Means Committee Chairman Beck is continuing to strive for a compromise between the proponents of House Bill 5 and local governments throughout Ohio. Compromise discussions are ongoing and action on the bill is expected within the next few months.

Mayor Duncan then led a discussion on the following agenda items:

- COUNCIL COMMITTEES
 - FINANCE, Mr. Castleman.
 - September BRC Meeting: Mr. Klopsch reviewed a draft agenda for the September 10 and 11 citizen Budget Review Committee meetings.
 - PLANNING & ZONING, Mr. Byington
 - Ridgewood & Glendora Alley: Mr. Klopsch updated council on the status of an alley vacation request. The property owner at 410 Ridgewood has completed significant clean-up of his rear property. The next step is to develop a revised garage plan. Thereafter, it is hoped that neighboring property owners will support the alley vacation.
 - First Friday Outdoor Band: Mr. Klopsch commented that the outdoor band requested as a temporary use on Friday, August 2 performed without complaints. A similar request is expected for the September 6 First Friday event. This request will likely again come from Flyboy's Deli. As this will likely become an on-going monthly request, Mr. Klopsch intends to have the Planning Commission review it for acceptance within our Community Business District zoning code.
- PUBLIC UTILITIES/WATER WORKS/SEWER, Mr. Castleman
 - Fiber Optic Infrastructure: Mr. Klopsch provided an update on the project underway to prepare a Local Government Innovation Fund grant application.
 - Refuse Programs: Mr. Klopsch reported that a letter was mailed last week to all Oakwood residential property owners explaining recent changes to the city's refuse programs. So far, there has been little response. Staff will continue to monitor the yard debris collection program and will consider adjustments as may be warranted.

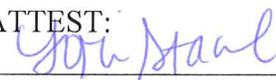
- REGIONAL AGENCIES
 - MAYORS & MANAGERS, MAYOR DUNCAN
 - Beggars Night: Mr. Klopsch noted that the September 11 Mayors & Managers meeting will include a discussion on Beggars Night. Specifically, area Mayors and Managers will consider a recommendation from the Issues Committee to conduct Beggars Night on October 31 of each year, regardless of the day of the week on which it may fall. Mr. Klopsch suggested that there may be some lengthy debate on this issue.

- MISCELLANEOUS
 - Nov 13-16 NLC Congress & Expo: Mayor Duncan noted that the 2013 Conference will take place in Seattle, Washington. Given the city's financial challenges, no council members are planning to attend.
 - Sep 26-27 OML Conference: Council discussed the 2013 OML Conference. Vice Mayor Byington commented that he may be attending.
 - Council Dais Monitors: Mr. Klopsch explained that staff is reviewing options for installing new flat screen monitors at the dais...monitors that would be installed on top of the table rather than under the tabletop. This will make it easier for persons at the dais to view computer and video presentations.
 - Bicycle Donations – Life Enrichment Center: Mr. Klopsch explained that the city will be donating found and unclaimed bicycles to the Life Enrichment Center. A representative from the center will attend the September 16 council meeting to provide an overview of their organization's mission.

There being no other business, Mayor Duncan adjourned the work session at 6:20 p.m.



Mayor

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Clerk of Council