

## SEPTEMBER 16, 2013 COUNCIL MEETING

City Council met in public session on September 16, 2013. Here are the highlights.

Minutes of the August 5, 2013 regular and work sessions of council and August 19, 2013 work session were approved.

### VISITORS:

- Bob Borchers: Mayor Duncan read a proclamation recognizing Bob's 21 years of service as crossing guard at Five Points.
- David Miller, Ohio Auditor of State: Mr. Miller recognized the Oakwood Finance Department and Finance Director Cindy Stafford for receiving the Auditor of State Award for 2012 Financial Reporting.
- Jeff Sorrell, Life Enrichment Center: Mr. Sorrell addressed council on the Life Enrichment Center and how the city's bike donations will be used.
- Allan G. Stevens, Feed Ohio: Mayor Duncan presented a proclamation supporting the Feed Ohio program. Mr. Stevens explained the mission of Feed Ohio.

### LEGISLATION

Oakwood Council approved the following legislation:

- Resolution approving Existing Property Tax Amounts and Rates.
- Ordinance approving Updates to Traffic and General Offenses Codes.

### STAFF REPORT

Engineering and Public Works Update. Director Kevin Weaver provided an update on department projects and operations including refuse program changes, roadway construction projects, upcoming snow operations, water production and the Stormwater Management Program.

### CITY MANAGER REPORT

- City Manager Norbert Klopsch shared that the 2014 Budget is currently being prepared and Budget Review Committee meetings began last week and will continue in October. Mr. Klopsch shared that the Dayton Daily News recently printed an article about a joint grant application from Kettering, Centerville and Oakwood for a Local Government Innovations Grant project. The project involves studying potential additional uses for the existing city-owned fiber optic infrastructure. Mr. Klopsch shared that Oakwood Rotary will recognize Dave Dickerson with a Civic Leadership Award and Mike Wenclewicz with a Community Service Award. Mr. Klopsch commended Crossing Guard Bob Borchers for being passionate, reliable and having a unique ability to earn the respect of the kids and to be their friend.

### COUNCIL COMMENTS

- Mrs. Hilton congratulated Cindy Stafford and the Finance Department Staff for all of their hard work. She said that she attended the Antique Car Show and the StoryWalk at Houk Stream that is going on in September through the Oakwood Historical Society and Wright Library.
- Mr. Castleman extended kudos to Cindy Stafford and the Finance Department Staff.
- Mayor Duncan provided an update on HB 5, the state's quest to rewrite the municipal income tax code. He reiterated that Oakwood continues to work cooperatively with other neighboring governments to provide the best and most efficient public services. He added that there are some in Ohio who think local governments should combine but warned that one government doesn't necessarily mean better government.

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.