

**MINUTES
OAKWOOD CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
FEBRUARY 7, 2011**

The council of the city of Oakwood, Ohio, met in a work session on Monday, February 7, 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, Rob Stephens and Anne Hilton; excused absent was Councilmember Stanley Castleman. Staff in attendance were City Manager Norbert Klopsch and City Attorney Rob Jacques.

Mayor Duncan called the work session to order at 6 p.m. and led a discussion on the following agenda items:

STATUS REPORTS. Council discussed the following five reports to be presented at the 7:30 p.m. meeting this evening.

- 2011 STATE OF THE CITY, MAYOR DUNCAN.
- PROCLAMATION RE DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, MAYOR DUNCAN
- PROCLAMATION RE: RED CROSS MONTH, MAYOR DUNCAN
- ESTATE TAX ISSUE, MAYOR DUNCAN
- COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS, MAYOR DUNCAN

VISITORS. Mayor Duncan noted that the following visitors are scheduled for the formal meeting this evening:

- LINDA HART, DOG PARK ADVOCATE. Mrs. Hart has presented the city a petition with 224 signatures supporting the construction of a city dog park.
- HOLIDAY DECORATING CONTEST WINNERS

LEGISLATION. Council discussed the following items of legislation to be presented at the formal meeting this evening.

- RESOLUTION RE: POINTE OAKWOOD, VICE MAYOR BYINGTON
- RESOLUTION RE: ED/GE, MAYOR DUNCAN
- RESOLUTION RE: PUBLIC RECORDS POLICY, MRS. HILTON
- RESOLUTION RE: SUPPORT OF WRIGHT FLYER ICON, MAYOR DUNCAN
- ORDINANCE RE: PUBLIC WORKS BUILDING NOTE, MAYOR DUNCAN
- ORDINANCE RE: ADMIN/SAFETY BUILDING NOTE, MAYOR DUNCAN
- ORDINANCE RE: OLD RIVER FIELD NOTE, MAYOR DUNCAN

COUNCIL COMMITTEES

- FINANCE, MR. CASTLEMAN
 - Estate Tax. Mayor Duncan and Mr. Klopsch provided an update on the status of H.B. 3, the proposed repeal of Ohio's estate tax. Presently, it appears that the House Ways & Means Committee will vote in favor of the tax repeal but that the full house will delay action on the bill until after Governor Kasich presents his 2012/13 biennial budget in the spring. Mayor Duncan and Mr. Klopsch will

attend the Ways & Means Committee meeting on Wednesday and will give a testimony.

- Debt Paydown. Council discussed the benefits of only making the minimum required paydown on the outstanding short-term debt.

REGIONAL AGENCIES

- FIRST SUBURBS, MR. BYINGTON. Vice Mayor Byington noted that the First Suburbs group meets again on February 16 and will be discussing the Ohio estate tax repeal effort.

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

- SISTER CITY ASSOCIATION, MRS. HILTON
 - 35th Anniversary with Outremont. Oakwood resident Dr. Kirsten Halling joined council at 6:30 p.m. and provided a briefing on the Sister City plans for celebrating Oakwood's 35th anniversary of twinning with Outremont. The event will take place this summer.

MISCELLANEOUS

- March 22 OML Legislative Luncheon. Mr. Klopsch noted that he will be attending the March 22 event in Columbus.
- Bike and Pedestrian Committee. Vice Mayor Byington voiced his ongoing interest in establishing a citizen committee to discuss bicycle and pedestrian issues. Mr. Klopsch will contact several residents and schedule a meeting.

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

At 7:23 p.m., Mayor Duncan concluded the executive session at which time council moved to the 7:30 p.m. formal meeting.

Mayor

ATTEST:

Clerk of Council