

MINUTES
OAKWOOD CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
MAY 23, 2011

The council of the city of Oakwood, Ohio, met in a work session on Monday, May 23, 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 in attendance was Jeremy Kelley, *DDN* staff writer.

Mayor Bill Duncan opened the work session at 5 p.m. and led a discussion on the following agenda items.

- COUNCIL COMMITTEES
 - FINANCE, MR. CASTLEMAN
 - May 18 BRC Meeting. Council discussed the meeting held last week and confirmed the decision to move forward with building a very basic dog park at Creager Field. The work will include construction of an ADA compliant walkway from the public sidewalk up to Creager Field, installation of fencing around the field and a water supply. About 80% of the total cost is for the fencing and ADA compliant walkway. Mr. Klopsch commented on BRC member Skip Ordeman's suggestion on having BRC Chair Dave Dickerson lead the effort to educate Oakwood citizens on the city's financial situation and garner support for the property tax issue that will likely be included on the November ballot. Mayor Duncan will contact Mr. Dickerson to discuss this.
 - SB 5. Mr. Klopsch commented that the collective bargaining law change resulting from Senate Bill 5 is the single greatest tool for local governments to begin cutting expenses. If the new law is overturned in November through state-wide referendum, this important tool will be lost.
 - Estate Tax. Mr. Klopsch commented that the estate tax repeal is still included in the state 2012/13 biennium budget bill. The repeal would be effective January 1, 2013.
 - Consolidated Income Tax Collection. Mr. Klopsch reported on a meeting he attended earlier today with Finance Director Cindy Stafford and Income Tax Administrator Linda Merker. It was a monthly meeting of the Dayton Area Tax Administrator's group and included three local state representatives. Much of the meeting was dedicated to discussions underway regarding consolidation of income tax collection throughout Ohio and uniformity of municipal tax codes.

- PLANNING & ZONING, MR. BYINGTON
 - Routsong Property. Mr. Klopsch mentioned that the Planning Commission meeting next Wednesday will include a public hearing on the request by Routsong to modify the retail center development plan. The primary change includes relocating the drive-thru window from the north side of the building to the south side.
- REGIONAL AGENCIES
- MVRPC, MR. BYINGTON
 - June 8 Workshop. Mr. Klopsch commented on the “Going Places” workshop to be held on June 8. He will attend and invited council to attend if their schedules permit. A major topic of discussion will be regional land use planning.
- FIRST SUBURBS, MR. BYINGTON
 - UD Graduate Program. Mr. Klopsch reported that the University of Dayton has established a new course involving the study of first ring suburbs. This is included in their Masters of Public Administration program. Vice Mayor Byington mentioned that the First Suburbs group is assisting in this program by hosting the class at respective city and township offices. Mr. Klopsch stated that he will have the class in Oakwood from 6-8:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 28.
- BOARDS & COMMISSIONS
- SISTER CITY ASSOCIATION, MRS. HILTON
 - Outremont Visit. Mayor Duncan mentioned the three events that council will participate in during the June 30 through July 5 visit. Discussion ensued on a location for the June 30 cocktail party. Council suggested that C’est Tout would be a good venue.
- MISCELLANEOUS
 - Panic Button Testing. Mr. Klopsch briefed council on the panic buttons located at city hall, the OCC and Public Works Center and that they are tested monthly.
 - Greater Dayton Conference on Youth. Council discussed the request for \$2,500 in support of the annual conference. During these times of tight budgets, council agreed that this is one expense that could probably be cut.

- Vicious Dog Ordinance. Council member Rob Stephens mentioned that a dog bite incident recently occurred on Forrer Road and that this was the second time over the past year that a particular dog had attacked citizens. Mr. Jacques stated that the city currently does not have a vicious dog ordinance and that one should probably be created. Mr. Klopsch confirmed that staff will work on this.

At 5:43 p.m., Mayor Duncan asked for a motion to go to executive session for discussion with attorney. Motion by Mrs. Hilton; second by Mr. Castleman. Upon a viva voce vote, motion passed.

At 6 p.m., Mayor Duncan concluded the work session and adjourned the meeting.

Mayor

ATTEST:

Clerk of Council