

MINUTES
OAKWOOD CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
AUGUST 5, 2013

The council of the city of Oakwood, Ohio, met in a work session on Monday, August 5, 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, Stanley Castleman, Rob Stephens and Anne Hilton. Excused absent was Vice Mayor Steve Byington. Staff in attendance were City Manager Norbert Klopsch, Law Director Rob Jacques and Public Works & Engineering Director Kevin Weaver. Also attending was *DDN* reporter Terry Morris.

Mayor Duncan called the pre-council work session to order at 6:30 p.m. and led a discussion on the following agenda items:

- **EXCUSED ABSENCE** – Mayor Duncan noted that Vice Mayor Byington is traveling out of state and is excused absent this evening.
- **STATUS REPORTS:** Mayor Duncan noted that there are no status reports scheduled for the formal meeting this evening.
- **VISITORS:** Mr. Klopsch reported that there are no scheduled visitors for the formal meeting this evening.
- **LEGISLATION:** Council discussed the following four items of legislation to be introduced at the formal meeting this evening:
 - Resolution to authorize certification of delinquent charges for cutting noxious weeds.
 - Ordinance amending Chapter 931.06 Littering with Garbage and Refuse.
 - Ordinance to repeal existing Chapter 733, Peddlers and Solicitors, of the Oakwood Business Regulations Code and to adopt a new Chapter 733, Peddlers and Solicitors.
 - Ordinance to repeal existing Chapter 151, Disposal of Property in the Possession of the City, and to adopt new Chapter 151, Disposal of Property in the Possession of the City.

Mr. Castleman requested assistance in introducing the items. Mr. Stephens will introduce two items and Mrs. Hilton two items. Mayor Duncan asked if any changes were made to the Peddlers and Solicitors ordinance since the first reading on July 15. Mr. Klopsch explained that two paragraphs were added explaining the justification for exempting canvassing and youth fundraising from certain provisions of the new code.

- **COUNCIL COMMITTEES**
 - **PUBLIC PROPERTIES, Mr. Castleman.**
 - **Acorn Bikeway:** Mr. Klopsch explained that the new bikeway just east of Acorn Drive is nearing completion and that a ribbon cutting event will take place next week. He explained that the city of Dayton has asked Oakwood to assume responsibility for some of the annual maintenance along this corridor. Mr. Klopsch presented a map of the area and suggested that Oakwood discuss with Dayton the possibility of moving the corporation line

so that the bikeway and Firwood Well Field are located within Oakwood's corporate boundary. Mr. Stephens asked if the city had done a cost estimate on performing the maintenance requested by Dayton. Mr. Klopsch responded that an estimate was prepared and determined to be \$12,000 annually. The annual cost could double to \$24,000 if the corporation line is moved and Oakwood assumes all maintenance responsibility. Mr. Klopsch will engage in additional discussion with city of Dayton officials on this potential corporation line move.

- PUBLIC UTILITIES/WATERWORKS/SEWER, Mr. Castleman
 - Refuse Program Changes: Mr. Klopsch presented a draft letter to be sent to all residential property owners in Oakwood within the next two weeks. The letter explains several changes made to the city refuse collection and disposal programs. Public Works Director Kevin Weaver explained how the city is saving approximately \$100,000 annually by collecting yard debris on a monthly schedule rather than bi-weekly. Mr. Klopsch noted a previous conversation with Councilmember Stephens where it was suggested that the city might consider returning to a bi-weekly schedule during the three peak volume months of the year...May, June and July. Staff will continue monitoring the program and looking for ways to best operate under the new schedule.
 - Fiber Optic Infrastructure: Mr. Klopsch explained that he has been in discussions with the city managers of Kettering and Centerville regarding a joint project to study options for putting to better use the publicly owned fiber optic infrastructure in the three respective communities. The three cities have a proposal from a consultant to assist with this project. The financial commitment is \$5,000 per city. Included in the project would be preparation of a grant application to be submitted for consideration under the new Local Government Innovation Fund program. Mr. Klopsch added that \$10,000 is included in the 2013 budget for this type of consulting and all of that money is still available. Council expressed support for the project.
- MISCELLANEOUS
 - Ice Cream Social: Mr. Klopsch noted that the annual Ice Cream Social event is from 3:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Sunday, August 18.

There being no other business, Mayor Duncan adjourned the pre-council work session at which time council moved to the formal meeting.



Mayor

ATTEST:



Clerk of Council