

CITY OF OAKWOOD

STATE OF OHIO

JUNE 2, 2014

The Council of the city of Oakwood, State of Ohio, met in an executive session from 6:30 p.m. to 6:53 p.m., followed immediately by a work session in the conference room of the city of Oakwood, 30 Park Avenue, Dayton, Ohio, 45419. Council then met in a regular session at 7:30 p.m., in the council chambers of the city of Oakwood.

The Mayor, Mr. William Duncan, presided, and the Clerk of Council, Ms. Lori Stacel, recorded. Mayor Duncan opened the meeting by asking all present to participate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Upon call of the roll, the following members of Council responded to their names:

MR. WILLIAM D. DUNCANPRESENT
MR. STEVEN BYINGTONPRESENT
MR. ROBERT P. STEPHENS.....PRESENT
MRS. ANNE S. HILTON.....PRESENT

Officers of the city present were the following:

Mr. Norbert S. Klopsch, City Manager
Mr. Robert F. Jacques, City Attorney
Mr. Jay A. Weiskircher, Assistant City Manager
Mrs. Carol Collins, Leisure Services Director
Mrs. Cindy Stafford, Finance Director
Ms. Lori L. Stacel, Clerk of Council

The following visitors registered:

Brian Barr, Oakwood Register
Tommy Routsong, 494 Lookout Ridge
Mike Ruetschle, 1020 Little Woods Road
Amy Epley Gresock
Connie Epley
Don and Robert Klosterman
Stefanie Campbell, 271 Schenck Ave.
Kirk Benjamin
Jan Kelly
Charles Jacques
George Bolmida

Mrs. Hilton advised Council she had read the minutes of the May 1 executive session, May 5 regular, executive and work sessions and May 8 executive session of Council. Mrs. Hilton reported she found the minutes correct and complete. Therefore, it was moved by Mrs. Hilton and seconded by Mr. Stephens that the minutes of the sessions of Council aforementioned be approved as written and the reading thereof at this session be dispensed with. Upon a viva voce vote on the question of the motion, same passed unanimously and it was so ordered.

STATUS REPORTS

Appoint new Council Member and Oath of Office — Mayor Duncan explained the actions that Oakwood City Council has taken in addressing the council vacancy due to Stanley Castleman's unfortunate death on April 4, 2014.

Under Section 2.04 of the City Charter, the remaining members of Council are required to fill a vacancy within 60 days by appointing a successor. That successor serves on Council until the next regular municipal election, which will take place in November 2015.

Under the Charter, the minimum qualifications for an appointee are the same requirements that would apply to any person running for election to a Council seat. The person must be a registered voter and they must have lived in Oakwood for at least two years prior to being appointed.

To ensure a fair process, Council solicited applications from interested residents. An advertisement was run in the *Oakwood Register* on April 16th and 23rd and in the *Dayton Daily*

News on April 19th, and application forms were accepted through the end of April. Council then met in a series of executive sessions to review applications, narrow the list, and to conduct personal interviews with the final candidates. This was no easy task, as there were 22 applications for the position. Oakwood is blessed to have so many residents who care deeply about our community and are willing to serve on Council.

The last interview was conducted on May 8th, and afterwards Council deliberated.

Thereupon, it was moved by Vice Mayor Byington and seconded by Mrs. Hilton that Christopher B. Epley be appointed to fill the council vacancy.

Upon call of the roll on the question of the motion, the following vote was recorded:

MR. WILLIAM D. DUNCAN YEA
 MR. STEVEN BYINGTON YEA
 MR. ROBERT P. STEPHENS YEA
 MRS. ANNE HILTON YEA

There being four (4) yea votes and no (0) nay votes thereon, said appointment was declared duly passed and it was so ordered.

Mayor Duncan administered the Oath of Office to newly appointed Councilmember Christopher B. Epley.

VISITORS

Mayor Duncan recognized several scouts in the audience from Boy Scout Troup 193. Bobby Klosterman, Charles Jacques and George Bolmida introduced themselves to Council and reported that they were attending as part of the requirements for a merit badge.

STAFF REPORT

Leisure Services Report: Mrs. Carol Collins, Leisure Services Director, referenced a PowerPoint presentation and reviewed the following information from 2013:

The OCC hosted over 150 programs and there were over 170,000 visits to the OCC, Orchardly Park, Gardner Pool and Old Rivers Sports Complex. There were 2,422 OCC members, 287 health center members (with 6,064 visits) and 700 pool memberships with an additional 1,236 daily passes purchased.

Both the father/daughter and mother/son dances were wonderful events with over 300 attending. They also held junior high dances with 1,600 participants as well as sixth grade dances with over 130 participants.

The Oakwood Community Center obtained ten spinning bikes from the generous donation of the Waltersheide family. Morning and evening classes with two different instructors are currently being offered and are very popular.

Last year there were three blanket concerts which have continued this summer. Hundreds of people enjoy these concerts every summer by bringing their families, blankets and chairs to relax in the beauty of Smith Gardens.

Mrs. Collins reviewed swim lesson statistics, members of the Oakwood Dolphins Swim Team, water aerobics classes and the successful dog splash with 58 dogs.

Mrs. Collins referenced last year's Scarecrow Row with 28 participants and reviewed photos of the winners. Approximately 2,500 people attended the Family Fall Festival.

She reviewed the Holiday of Lights with thousands of luminarias that lit up Oakwood on December 8.

In regard to community ambiance, she reviewed the Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) treatments and noted the city received designation as a Tree City USA for its 32nd consecutive year.

There has been significant reduction of geese at Old River Sports Complex since the city began using two dogs for goose chasing.

Mrs. Collins shared the cost savings measures taken in 2013 that resulted in savings of \$29,000+.

The Warrior Soccer Classic Tournament is one of the largest youth soccer tournaments in the country and thousands of players, coaches and parents walk the fields of the Old River Sports Complex every Memorial Day Weekend.

The Friends of Smith Gardens has a new program called the Legacy Paver Project that allows friends and residents to leave a lasting legacy by purchasing engraved bricks to repave the patio around the garden house and entrance.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT— Mr. Klopsch reported that the construction season has begun and encouraged everyone to be cautious of construction work. The City will be opening sealed bids on Thursday, June 5, 2014 for the 2014 Asphalt Pavement Maintenance Program. The work should be completed by the end of July or early August before the school year begins.

Mr. Klopsch shared that a group of 28-30 young adults will be riding cross-country in support of cancer awareness. They will arrive in Oakwood on June 11. The Oakwood Rotary Club President, Max Heinz, will be hosting dinner at his home for the cyclists that evening and then the cyclists will spend the night at the Oakwood High School. The cyclists will then join the Oakwood Rotary Club at the Dayton Country Club the next morning before departing for Cincinnati.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mr. Epley thanked Council for the opportunity to serve on Oakwood City Council. He made a pledge to Oakwood citizens that he would listen, learn and contribute. Mr. Epley thanked his family including his wife and children, and his mother and sister for attending the meeting.

Mrs. Hilton welcomed Mr. Epley to Oakwood City

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Vice Mayor Byington welcomed Mr. Epley to Oakwood City Council. He reported that the June/July edition of *Dayton Magazine* includes a section highlighting the cities of Kettering, Moraine and Oakwood. The Kettering/Moraine/Oakwood Chamber of Commerce worked to feature the three communities and did a good job highlighting the events in the three cities.

Mayor Duncan shared that to honor Stanley Castleman, Council members met at Mrs. Castleman's house on the morning of May 17 at which time she tied their bow ties and tied a scarf for Mrs. Hilton before marching in the That Day in May parade.

Mayor Duncan reported that last Friday at the Dayton Country Club, he congratulated William D. Lockwood on the occasion of his 80th birthday and proclaimed Friday May 30, 2014 as William D. Lockwood day in the City of Oakwood.

Mayor Duncan explained that last Friday, an Oakwood Public Safety officer was struck on his motorcycle when traveling to work by a vehicle that failed to yield. He was taken to the hospital after being thrown 20 feet and thankfully only had several minor injuries. He asked that people stop rolling through stop signs and be aware of motorcyclists.

Mayor Duncan read a letter aloud from an Oakwood resident regarding refuse services provided to a residence after a refrigerator/freezer failure:

"I want to commend the City's Service Department/Waste Collection staff for a job well done. The main refrigerator/freezer in our home failed on Wednesday evening, and I was forced to dispose of a great deal of food items. My normal waste collection day was Wednesday. However, I contacted your Service Department, Waste Collection staff, and they were kind enough to come by and pick up this extra refuse Friday morning. If I had to wait for the normal collection day (the following Wednesday), I would have had to deal with a smell and the inconvenience of a great deal of spoiled food.

Please let the Service Department/Waste Collection staff know of my appreciation for the extra effort they provided to me."

Mayor Duncan then read the City Manager's response letter aloud:

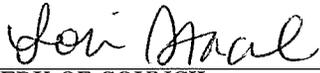
"Thank you for the May 19 letter regarding your experience with our Oakwood refuse department. It is these little things that I trust help keep Oakwood the finest residential community in our Dayton region. I will see that your letter is forwarded to the appropriate public works employees."

The public meeting concluded at 8:00 p.m.



MAYOR

ATTEST:



CLERK OF COUNCIL