

CITY OF OAKWOOD
STATE OF OHIO
JUNE 5, 2017

The Council of the city of Oakwood, State of Ohio, met in a work session at 6:30 p.m. in the conference room of the city of Oakwood, 30 Park Avenue, Oakwood, 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:

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| MR. WILLIAM D. DUNCAN..... | PRESENT |
| MR. STEVEN BYINGTON..... | PRESENT |
| MR. ROBERT P. STEPHENS..... | PRESENT |
| MRS. ANNE S. HILTON..... | PRESENT |
| MR. CHRISTOPHER B. EPLEY..... | 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
Ms. Carol Collins, Leisure Services Director
Ms. Lori Stacel, Clerk of Council

The following visitors registered:

Oakwood High School Academic Decathlon Team
Donna & Paul Bohannon, 204 Pointe Oakwood Way
Stefanie Campbell, 271 Schenck Avenue
Mike Wenclewicz
Brian Barr, *Oakwood Register*

Mrs. Hilton advised Council she had read the meeting minutes of the May 1, 2017 regular session and work session. 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

Mike Wenclewicz Retirement – City Manager Norbert Klopsch recognized the recent retirement of Assistant Public Works Director Mike Wenclewicz. Mike was hired in 1980 and was a remarkable employee for 36 years. He started as a General Service Worker, and was promoted to Maintenance Worker, Foreman, and in 1994 to Assistant Service Director, a title later changed to Assistant Public Works Director. Mike held an Ohio EPA water distribution license and was responsible for the entire Oakwood water distribution system and backflow devices. He had a unique skill of being able to interact very effectively with people in difficult situations. Before coming to Oakwood, Mike served our country in the U.S. Navy, worked at the Hewitt Soap Factory and earned his associates degree in industrial engineering from Sinclair College. City employees gathered for a luncheon on Mike's last day and one of the highlights of the luncheon was the presence of two former Service Directors, R.C. Reece and John Chain. R.C. worked for Oakwood from 1959 until his retirement in 1984. John worked for Oakwood from 1976 until his retirement in 2000. R.C. and John interviewed and selected Mike for employment back in 1980.

Mayor Duncan thanked Mr. Wenclewicz for his service.

Mr. Klopsch recognized two city employees in the audience who were here when Mike started his career in Oakwood. Assistant Finance Director Alice Young, who has been with the city for 39 years, and Leisure Services Director Carol Collins, who has been with the city for 42 years.

VISITORS

Oakwood High School Academic Decathlon Team – Vice Mayor Byington shared that he is very proud of the Academic Decathlon Team. He read a Proclamation recognizing the Academic Decathlon Team for being the Division III National Champion at the United States Academic Decathlon National Competition in Madison, Wisconsin on April 20-22. The team competed against the best schools in the nation, and won the team's 6th consecutive National title, while also ranking third overall. Mayor Duncan then distributed the Proclamation to each student and to Coach Lori Morris.

The Academic Decathlon Team Coach, Lori Morris, thanked Council for recognizing the team’s achievements. She shared that she is very proud of the team’s dedication to maintain the Oakwood standard of excellence. She also thanked the parents, school principal and superintendent for their support of the program.

Vice Mayor Byington asked the Academic Decathlon team members to share their name as well as their experiences. The following team members addressed Council: Clay Goertemiller shared that he just graduated from high school and he will be attending Case Western Reserve University. He feels that Academic Decathlon has been an amazing experience. It has been a place to have fun with his friends and a way to find a community where he belongs. Will Janning just completed his sophomore year in high school. He feels that Academic Decathlon has taught him a lot about the Oakwood community and has helped him make a lot of new friends. It has taught him about time management and organization skills. Sam Carryer was a junior last year in high school. He feels that Academic Decathlon has helped improve his grades and will allow him an opportunity for a post-secondary education. Cameron Hendrix just completed his sophomore year in high school. He feels that Academic Decathlon has given him the ability to hone in his skills across ten separate areas in real life skills that will be necessary for his future. Rey Arcenas shared that he just graduated from high school and he will be attending Tulane University. He feels that Academic Decathlon has taught him how to study better and how to speak publicly, it has also mainly been about the comradery and the relationship building. John Jones shared that he just graduated from high school and he will be attending Wright State University. He feels that Academic Decathlon has helped him gain confidence in public speaking, and building relationships with team members. Matt Koch shared that he just graduated from high school and he will be attending Wittenberg University. He feels that Academic Decathlon has helped him improve his grades and get into college, as well as make new friends. Connor Hart shared that he just graduated from high school and he will be attending University of Pennsylvania. Academic Decathlon has meant a lot to him, including a strong sense of community.

Mayor Duncan shared that there are expenses that come along with the Academic Decathlon Team. He was proud to donate because he knows the value of the program. He urged citizens to support the program and shared that donations can be made payable to the Oakwood High School and specified that they are for the Academic Decathlon Team. He gave a final congratulation to the Academic Decathlon Team on their many accomplishments, and the team then departed the meeting.

LEGISLATION

AN ORDINANCE
 BY MR. STEPHENS NO. 4841
 TO LEVY SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OR
 RECONSTRUCTION OF SIDEWALKS AND APPURTENANCES
 THERETO IN THE CITY OF OAKWOOD, OHIO.

A copy of the ordinance, having been placed on the desks of each member of Council prior to introduction, was read by title.

Mr. Stephens explained that this ordinance is the final piece of last year’s sidewalk project, and assesses the costs that have not already been paid directly by affected homeowners.

Thereupon, it was moved by Mr. Stephens and seconded by Mrs. Hilton that the resolution be passed.

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
- MR. CHRISTOPHER EPLEY..... YEA

There being five (5) yea votes and no (0) nay votes thereon, said ordinance was declared duly passed and it was so ordered.

AN ORDINANCE
 BY VICE MAYOR BYINGTON NO. 4842
 ADOPTING THE 2018 TAX BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF
 OAKWOOD, OHIO, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING
 JANUARY 2018.

A copy of the ordinance, having been placed on the desks of each member of Council prior to introduction, was read by title.

Vice Mayor Byington explained that to comply with Section 6.01 of the City Charter, this is the annual housekeeping ordinance to estimate the city’s revenues for calendar year 2018.

Thereupon, it was moved by Vice Mayor Byington and seconded by Mr. Epley that the resolution be passed.

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

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

There being five (5) yea votes and no (0) nay votes thereon, said ordinance was declared duly passed and it was so ordered.

A RESOLUTION
 BY VICE MAYOR BYINGTON NO 1835
 RESOLUTION APPROVING REVISIONS TO THE BYLAWS OF THE
 FIRST SUBURBS CONSORTIUM OF DAYTON OHIO

A copy of the resolution, having been placed on the desks of each member of Council prior to introduction, was read by title.

Vice Mayor Byington explained that Oakwood is a member of the First Suburbs Consortium of Dayton, Ohio, which is a regional council of governments created in 2005 to focus on issues facing first-ring suburbs in the greater Dayton area. Besides Oakwood, member communities include the cities of Centerville, Clayton, Huber Heights, Kettering, Moraine, Riverside, Trotwood and Vandalia, as well as Harrison and Washington Townships.

The bylaws for the Consortium have not been updated since they were first adopted in 2005. Last year, a Bylaw Review Committee was formed to review the bylaws and recommend changes as appropriate. The recommended changes were approved by the Consortium on March 22, 2017, and are now subject to ratification by each member community.

As Council’s representative to the Consortium, Vice Mayor Byington reviewed the changes and recommended that Council approve them on Oakwood’s behalf. For the most part, the changes are not a major departure from the original bylaws, but they update the bylaws to better reflect how the Consortium has come to operate over the past 12 years. The one significant change is that the Consortium will now have a procedure to offer “associate entity” membership to organizations and regional agencies that are complementary to the objectives of the Consortium. These organizations would not become voting members of the Consortium, but their participation in discussions and events would offer valuable insight and information to the member communities. Vice Mayor Byington shared that he has been on the First Suburbs Committee as long as he has been on City Council, and has served as Chair.

Thereupon, it was moved by Vice Mayor Byington and seconded by Mrs. Hilton that the resolution be passed.

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

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

There being five (5) yea votes and no (0) nay votes thereon, said resolution was declared duly passed and it was so ordered.

A RESOLUTION
 BY MAYOR DUNCAN NO 1836
 TO VACATE PRIOR APPROVALS OF CONDOMINIUM UNITS AT
 THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE POINTE OAKWOOD
 RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT.

A copy of the resolution, having been placed on the desks of each member of Council prior to introduction, was read by title.

Mayor Duncan explained that this is a resolution to implement part of the Pointe Oakwood Settlement Agreement that was approved by Council on March 20, 2017, and adopted by the Montgomery County Common Pleas Court on March 21, 2017. A component of that settlement was the agreement that Oakwood Investment Group and Hills Developers, Inc., would abandon their plans to build condominiums at the southeast corner of Pointe Oakwood, which is the intersection of Far Hills and West Schantz Avenues. Instead, that area is being re-platted to create 4 single family residential lots and a small public greenspace.

In order to implement that agreement, OIG and Hills have formally withdrawn all applications to build condominiums at the southeast corner of the development. Council's part of the agreement requires a resolution vacating all prior approvals of condominiums at that corner. The effect of this resolution will be to revert to the original Master Plan as it pertains to that corner, which approved this area for single family residential uses and a small public greenspace.

Thereupon, it was moved by Mayor Duncan and seconded by Mr. Epley that the resolution be passed.

Vice Mayor Byington recused himself as he resides near the proposed condominiums.

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

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| MR. WILLIAM D. DUNCAN..... | YEA |
| MR. ROBERT P. STEPHENS..... | YEA |
| MRS. ANNE HILTON | YEA |
| MR. CHRISTOPHER EPLEY..... | YEA |

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

STAFF REPORT

Leisure Services Report: Ms. Carol Collins, Leisure Services Director, delivered the following report:

Gardner Pool opened over Memorial Day weekend and there are 448 family pool memberships purchased, 91 single memberships and 66 senior memberships. The Oakwood Community Center has three "Summer Fun at the Pool" family nights planned in 2017. The dates are Sunday, June 25; Sunday, July 23; and, Sunday August 13. The pool staff will organize relay races and fun games throughout the night. The pool will close at 9 p.m. on all three nights, one hour later than normal.

The Oakwood Dolphins have dominated their league with over 160 swimmers. They have taken first place every year for the past 14+ years. The registration deadline for the upcoming season was Sunday, June 4 and practice began on Monday, June 5.

The Gardner Pool staff offers swim lessons beginning for toddlers with parents all the way to advanced Level V and VI. The lessons are certified by the American Red Cross and in 2016, there were over 275 participants.

The 9th annual Dog Splash is scheduled for Sunday, September 10 from 1 – 3 p.m. There were 45 participants in the 2016 Dog Splash event.

The Smith Gardens Legacy Paver Project is a great opportunity to leave a lasting legacy and to be an integral part of the lovely garden. Individual brick pavers can be purchased in honor of or in recognition of a friend or family member, or to celebrate an anniversary or special occasion. To date, there have been 309 bricks sold and installed, with profit at about \$18,000 to date. Pavers are also being placed in the driveway to Smith Gardens.

The Smith Gardens Blanket Concerts are scheduled for Sunday, June 11 at 7 p.m. – MADCAP PUPPETS; Sunday, July 9 at 7 p.m. – FOURTH AVENUE; and, Sunday, August 6 at 7 p.m. – HONEY & HOUSTON. Hundreds of people enjoy these concerts every summer by bringing their families, blankets and chairs to relax in the beauty of Smith Gardens. In case of rain, the concerts will be held at the OCC.

The Oakwood Rotary Foundation funded a project that lined Shafor Boulevard with 2,500 American flags for the Memorial Day holiday weekend. Laura Hart, Chair for this project, was assisted by the Oakwood High School Rotary Interact Club along with other volunteers from the

community. Flags were sold as a fundraiser this year by the Oakwood Academic Decathlon Team. This will also be done the 4th of July weekend and Labor Day weekend.

The 2017 Family Movie Night at Old River premieres the movie 'The Lego Batman Movie' on Friday, July 21.

The city of Oakwood took possession of the Hollinger Memorial Tennis Club in late 2016. The Oakwood Community Center is responsible for collecting all monetary donations and membership revenue for the club. To date, there have been 65 memberships sold, including one new member and one trial membership. The Oakwood Community Center is also collecting registration forms and fees for the annual Al Barbadora Tournament to be held on June 14-17, 2017.

The Oakwood Community Center will be offering the following summer camps: OCC for 3's, Irish Dance Camp, Camp Shafor, Kiddie Camp, Skyhawks Sports Camps, Lacrosse Camp, Camp Hodge Podge, Dance Camps, and Kidz Home Alone & Better Babysitters.

For the 36th consecutive year, Ohio was recognized as the nation's leader in Tree City USA communities with 243 participating cities, villages and townships. In 2016, Ohioans planted more than 27,000 trees, pruned more than 81,000 trees, volunteered more than 50,000 hours in urban forestry programs, and invested a combined total of \$40.8 million toward urban forestry efforts. Oakwood received a 35 year award as a Tree City USA city at the Tree City USA ceremony.

CITY MANAGER'S COMMENTS – Mr. Klopsch provided an update on the following items:

Mr. Klopsch thanked Leisure Services Director Carol Collins for her excellent work. With everything currently in full bloom, the beauty of the city certainly shows and that is a result of Carol and her staff.

Mr. Klopsch shared that the city has retained many long-time employees, and that is a direct result of Personnel Director Jay Weiskircher finding good, quality employees. The city also has great leadership and instills good work ethic in new employees.

The Shroyer Road construction in Oakwood is scheduled to begin around Monday, July 3. Two construction message boards will be placed and activated this week to alert motorists and pedestrians of pending construction. The signs will be located near Carmels on the north end and near Speedway on the south end.

The major repair work on Ridgeway Road is completed. There will be some additional work further south on Ridgeway Road later in the summer. At some point in mid to late summer, Miami Valley Lighting will replace the old street lights along Ridgeway.

As part of the 2017 Sidewalk, Curb and Driveway Apron Project, the sidewalk repair work is underway on Far Hills now that school is out over the summer.

The 2017 leaf mulch program was successful. The quality of the mulch was some of the best that the city has ever obtained.

Mr. Klopsch made a plea to the Oakwood community to keep debris out of the street. A press release will be distributed to help communicate this information. He explained that except for the 10-week fall leaf collection season, debris of any sort placed on the street is prohibited. The debris can cause safety issues, negatively impact the appearance of Oakwood neighborhoods, and negatively affects the storm sewer system and downstream waterways. A new enforcement program will be implemented, and when a violation is found, the city will leave a door hanger directing the property owner to remove the debris from the roadway within 72 hours. If the debris is not removed within 72 hours, the Public Works Department will remove the debris and charge the property owner with a special pick-up. Each property owner is entitled to two free special pick-ups per year. Additional pick-ups thereafter will be billed to the property owner at \$100 each.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Vice Mayor Byington shared that the Oakwood Farmers' Market opened this past Saturday and will be open each Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. through the end of September. He encouraged people to come out and visit.

Mayor Duncan shared that the City Manager of Centerville, Greg Horn, will be retiring after 25 years and both he and Mr. Klopsch will be attending the retirement celebration. He also shared that he will attend an upcoming event at Wright Patterson Air Force Base that will include the

top brass of the United States Air Force. Mayor Duncan discussed the Battle of Midway in World War II and asked that people recognize the brave American veterans that fought for our country.

The public meeting concluded at 8:16 p.m.



MAYOR

ATTEST:



CLERK OF COUNCIL