

Oakwood, Ohio
November 7, 2018

The Planning Commission of the city of Oakwood met in regular session at 4:30 p.m., in the council chambers of the City of Oakwood, 30 Park Avenue, Oakwood, Ohio 45419.

The Vice Chair, Mr. Andy Aidt, presided and the Clerk, Ms. Lori Stacel, recorded.

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

MR. ANDREW AIDT	PRESENT
MRS. HARRISON GOWDY	PRESENT
MRS. E. HEALY JACKSON.....	PRESENT
MR. GREG LAUTERBACH	PRESENT
MR. STEVE BYINGTON.....	PRESENT

Officers of the city present were the following:

Mr. Norbert S. Klopsch, City Manager
Mr. Robert F. Jacques, City Attorney
Mrs. Jennifer S. Wilder, Personnel and Properties Director
Mr. Ethan M. Kroger, Code Enforcement Officer

The following visitors were present:

Mr. Jim Wuebker, 100 Patterson Road
Ms. Megan Gilbert
Mr. Randy Eifert, Wilson Sign Co.
Mr. Brian Barr, *Oakwood Register*

Mr. Aidt called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. and began the meeting by welcoming Greg Lauterbach to the Planning Commission with the retirement of Mr. Shulman. He invited Mr. Klopsch to the podium to say a few words about Mr. Lauterbach.

Mr. Klopsch thanked the Planning Commission members for attending the November 5 City Council meeting to recognize Mr. Shulman. He then shared that Mr. Lauterbach is an architect with his own architectural firm. He graduated from Oakwood High School in 1985. He then graduated from the University of Michigan in 1989 with a BA in economics, received his MBA from Indiana University in 1993, worked in banking for a few years, and then received his Master of Architecture from the University of Illinois at Chicago in 2002. Mr. Klopsch and the Planning Commission members welcomed Mr. Lauterbach.

Also with the retirement of Mr. Shulman, the Planning Commission conducted a brief organizational meeting to select the chair and vice chair for the remainder of 2018.

Mr. Byington moved to nominate Mr. Aidt as chair, seconded by Mrs. Gowdy.

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

MR. ANDREW AIDT	YEA
MRS. HARRISON GOWDY	YEA
MRS. E. HEALY JACKSON.....	YEA
MR. GREG LAUTERBACH	YEA
MR. STEVE BYINGTON.....	YEA

There being five (5) YEA votes, thereon, said motion carried.

Mr. Byington moved to nominate Mrs. Gowdy as vice chair, seconded by Mr. Aidt.

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

MR. ANDREW AIDT	YEA
MRS. HARRISON GOWDY	YEA
MRS. E. HEALY JACKSON	YEA
MR. GREG LAUTERBACH	YEA
MR. STEVE BYINGTON	YEA

There being five (5) YEA votes, thereon, said motion carried.

Mr. Aidt asked if there were any questions or concerns with the minutes from the October 3, 2018 meeting. There being none, it was moved by Mrs. Gowdy and seconded by Mr. Byington that the minutes of the Planning Commission meeting held October 3, 2018 be approved as submitted and the reading thereof be dispensed with at this session. Upon a viva voce vote on the question of the motion, the same passed unanimously and it was so ordered.

Mr. Aidt opened the public hearing for Application #18-5 to consider a special use request submitted by the city of Oakwood for an illuminated sign at the Oakwood Community Center, 105 Patterson Road, to be located near the corner of Patterson Road and E. Schantz Avenue. He asked city staff to provide their report.

Mr. Jacques stepped forward and explained that after the City filed the Planning Commission application, another issue regarding the size of the face of the sign was identified. Mr. Jacques requested that the application be tabled for a future date so the application can either be amended, or another application submitted.

Mr. Aidt stated that he was okay with tabling the matter, but was concerned about the one audience member in attendance. There was a brief discussion about whether to open the public hearing to take her testimony now, or if she should just return when the matter can be fully presented. Mr. Jacques noted that she may wish to return because otherwise, her testimony would be made without the benefit of hearing a full staff report. The consensus of the Planning Commission was to go ahead and open a public hearing for the purpose of taking her testimony, with the understanding that she would be free to return and testify when the matter is fully heard, if she chooses.

Mr. Aidt opened the public hearing for visitor comments.

Ms. Megan Gilbert requested clarification on the sign. She said that the legal notice stated that the sign was "to be located", but it sounds as though the sign is already in place.

Mr. Jacques confirmed that the sign is already there. The notice used standard language that is used on legal notices.

Ms. Gilbert shared her disappointment that the sign is already installed. She said that she is a CPA and this sign does not seem like sensible spending for the City. She also does not believe that the sign adds any value to the OCC. She closed her comments by stating that the sign is an eye sore and does not fit into the community.

There being no further public testimony offered, the public hearing was closed.

Therefore, it was moved by Mr. Aidt and seconded by Mrs. Gowdy that application #18-5, for an illuminated sign at the Oakwood Community Center, 105 Patterson Road, to be located near the corner of Patterson Road and E. Schantz Avenue, be tabled.

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

MR. ANDREW AIDT	YEA
MRS. HARRISON GOWDY	YEA
MRS. E. HEALY JACKSON	YEA
MR. GREG LAUTERBACH	YEA
MR. STEVE BYINGTON	YEA

There being five (5) YEA votes, thereon, said motion carried.

There being no further business, the Planning Commission adjourned. The public meeting concluded at 4:40 p.m.


CHAIR

ATTEST:


CLERK