

DECEMBER 11, 2017 COUNCIL MEETING

City Council met in public session on December 11, 2017. Here are the highlights.

Council meeting minutes were approved for the November 6, 2017 regular, work session and executive session.

STATUS REPORTS

- Chief Promotion – Mayor Bill Duncan and City Manager Norbert Klopsch presided over a promotion ceremony for Chief Alan Hill. Mayor Bill Duncan administered the Oath of Office. City Manager Norbert Klopsch made some comments about Chief Hill.
- Lieutenant Promotion – Mayor Bill Duncan presided over a promotion ceremony for PSO Mike Tanner and administered the Oath of Office. Chief Hill assisted and made some comments on the promotional process.
- PSO Swear-In – Mayor Bill Duncan administered the Oath of Office to Public Safety Officer Joshua Wells. Chief Hill introduced him.
- Recognition of Detective Jeff Yount, Jr. – Chief Hill recognized Detective Yount for receiving the “TCSU Investigation Award.”
- Speed Enforcement and Stop Signs – Chief Hill made comments addressing the concerns raised about vehicle speeds from Oakwood residents that attended the October council meeting.

VISITORS

- Three residents from Oakwood and Kettering addressed Council asking that the city support Kettering’s plan to seek grant funding to replace the Ridgeway Road Bridge.
- Members of Girl Scout Troop 30149 addressed Council and shared that they have raised \$1,500 to place a Veterans memorial at Orchardly Park. They provided details of their project design and explained that they still need \$1,500 in donations to meet their goal.

LEGISLATION

Oakwood City Council approved the following legislation:

- An Ordinance to approve updates to the Traffic and General Offenses Codes.
- An Ordinance to appropriate funds for the MVCC Broadband Fiber Optic Infrastructure Project.
- An Ordinance to adjust the Sanitary Sewer Rates.
- An Ordinance to allow City Financial Deposits to be secured through the Ohio Pooled Collateral Program.
- An Ordinance to approve the 2018 Budget.
- An Ordinance to amend the organization and staffing schedule.
- An Ordinance to amend the personnel schedule.

Oakwood City Council conducted a first reading on the following legislation:

- An Ordinance to approve the Income Tax Credit Reduction Factor.

2018 BUDGET

- City Manager Norbert Klopsch gave a presentation on the 2018 city budget.

CITY MANAGER’S COMMENTS

City Manager Norbert Klopsch complimented the Public Works Department for their efforts during the first snow event of the season on Saturday. Prior to the snow, there was a water main break on Sweetwood Lane, so it was a busy weekend. He reported that the city should have enough roadway salt to last through the winter. The Army-Navy game last Saturday was a close game, but Army won with a score of 14-13 and reclaimed the Commander-in-Chief’s Trophy. Assistant City Manager Jay Weiskircher is retiring at the end of the year after 35 years of outstanding service. There will be a public recognition of his service at the January 2 council meeting.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

- Councilmember Anne Hilton commended Leisure Services Director Carol Collins and her staff for a great Holiday of Lights event last night. She also mentioned the opening of the Goodwill store at 3 p.m. on Tuesday, December 12.
- Councilmember Rob Stephens welcomed PSO Josh Wells and congratulated Chief Alan Hill and Lieutenant Mike Tanner on their promotions. He added that the promotions were well deserved and he is excited about the future of the Public Safety Department.
- Mayor Bill Duncan shared that he attended a Washington Township Trustee event for retiring member Joyce Young after 22 years of service. He reported that the State Senate is discussing SERP (Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan) payments, which are deferred compensation. A bad proposal is under consideration that would exempt SERP payments from municipal taxation.

The meeting adjourned at 9:16 p.m.