

**MINUTES
OAKWOOD CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
MARCH 1, 2021**

The Council of the city of Oakwood, Ohio, met in a work session on Monday, March 1, 2021 in the second floor training room at the city building, 30 Park Avenue. The Mayor of the City, William Duncan, presided.

Council members in attendance were Mayor William Duncan, Vice Mayor Steve Byington, Councilmember Rob Stephens, Councilmember Anne Hilton and Councilmember Leigh Turben. Staff in attendance were City Manager Norbert Klopsch and City Attorney Rob Jacques.

Mayor Duncan called the work session to order at 6:30 p.m. and reviewed the agenda for the regular session this evening. Thereafter, Mayor Duncan led a discussion on the following agenda items:

- **STATUS REPORTS:**
 - 2021 State of the City Address: Mayor Duncan noted that he will deliver the 2021 Address at the regular session this evening.
 - Council Committee Assignments: Council reviewed the 2021 committee assignments.
 - Citizen Committee Appointments: Mayor Duncan mentioned that he will call for a vote at the regular session this evening to appoint several citizens to committees.

- **VISITORS:**
 - Historic Marker Project – Debra Edwards, Oakwood Historical Society: Mayor Duncan mentioned that Debra Edwards, a member of the Oakwood Historical Society, will provide a presentation on the Historic Marker Program at the regular session this evening.

- **LEGISLATION:** Council discussed the following legislation scheduled for presentation at the regular session this evening:
 - An Ordinance to provide an appropriation for asphalt paving work, Vice Mayor Byington
 - A Resolution of Necessity for 2022 Street Lighting, Mr. Stephens
 - An Ordinance to Proceed with the 2022 Street Lighting Program, Mr. Stephens
 - An Ordinance to levy special assessments for the 2020 Sidewalk Repair Project, Mr. Stephens

- **STAFF REPORT:** Mr. Klopsch noted that Jennifer Wilder will deliver a PowerPoint presentation at the regular session this evening.

- **BOARDS & COMMISSIONS**
 - Historical Society, Mrs. Turben
 - Historic Marker Program: Mrs. Turben expressed support for this project. She stated that the Oakwood Historical Society would like to install one marker each year.

- MISCELLANEOUS

- Open House Event: Mr. Klopsch commented on previous open house events at the city facilities. They have not been well attended. A discussion ensued on ideas for conducting city facility tours for groups such as the MOMs of Oakwood and Oakwood Rotary Club. Mayor Duncan noted that the Oakwood 3rd graders from Smith and Harman visit City Hall and the Oakwood Safety Department annually.
- Zoom Meetings: Mr. Klopsch reported that the new equipment in council chambers is installed and Zoom can now be used during our meetings. Visitors will be invited to attend in-person (still with a 10-person limit), virtually attend and participate via Zoom, or watch via the live stream. As Zoom administrator, we have the ability to prevent visitors from speaking during any portion of the meeting other than the Visitors portion. Visitors participating via Zoom will also not be allowed to “chat” or send messages during the meeting. Two visitors from AES (formerly DP&L) will join Council via Zoom at the March 15 work session. Assuming the system functions properly, the April 5 regular session will include a public attendance option via Zoom.

At 7:05 p.m., Mayor Duncan concluded the work session and opened an executive session for personnel matters.

At 7:15 p.m., Mayor Duncan adjourned the executive session and Council moved to regular session.



Mayor

ATTEST:



Clerk of Council