

MINUTES
OAKWOOD CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
NOVEMBER 1, 2021

The Council of the city of Oakwood, Ohio, met in a work session on Monday, November 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 meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and Council moved to executive session for personnel matters and property matters.

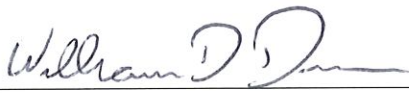
At 7:05 p.m., Council concluded the executive session and moved to work session.

Mayor Duncan then reviewed the agenda for the regular session this evening and led a discussion on the following items:

- **STATUS REPORTS:**
 - Public Safety Officer Jesse Schaffer Funeral Procession: Mayor Duncan noted that he will present a video of Oakwood Public Safety Officer Jesse Schaffer's funeral procession along Park Avenue.
- **VISITORS:**
 - Scarecrow Row Contest Winners: Mayor Duncan shared that he will recognize winners of the 2021 Scarecrow Row contest at the regular session this evening.
- **LEGISLATION:** City Council discussed the following two items of legislation scheduled for the regular session agenda this evening:
 - An Ordinance to approve updates to the Traffic and General Offenses Codes, Mr. Stephens
 - An Ordinance to provide an appropriation for a public works storage building, Vice Mayor Byington
- **STAFF REPORT:** Mr. Klopsch shared that Leisure Services Director Carol Collins will provide an update on parks and recreation programs and events at the regular session this evening.
- **AN OAKWOOD MOMENT:** Mrs. Hilton noted that she will present the "An Oakwood Moment" at the regular session recognizing American flags displayed in Oakwood.
- **COUNCIL COMMITTEES**
 - Finance, Vice Mayor Byington
 - 2022 Budget: Mr. Klopsch mentioned that staff is preparing the final 2022 budget based on the cost figures presented at the October 19 Budget Review Committee meeting and at the October 25 City Council Retreat.
 - Working from Home: Mr. Klopsch shared that Income Tax Administrator Linda Merker and Finance Director Cindy Stafford are drafting information for inclusion on the City website to help residents who worked from home remotely but still had their wages subjected to a work-city tax. Staff is also working on a letter to be mailed to all Oakwood property owners.

- Public Properties, Mrs. Turben
 - Recycling Facility: Mr. Klopsch reported on the status of the project. All of the curb work was completed last week. The next big step is asphalt pavement, which is scheduled for late this week. A ribbon cutting ceremony is being planned for late November or early December.
 - Utility Pole Replacement: Mr. Klopsch distributed a memorandum explaining additional permit application requirements for utility companies replacing poles in the public right-of-way. The requirements relate to project planning to ensure that removal of old poles is completed within the 120 day limit prescribed by the city right-of-way ordinance.
- Streets & Alleys, Mr. Stephens
 - 2024 Far Hills Roadway Resurfacing: Mr. Klopsch noted that all of Far Hills Avenue is scheduled for total roadway resurfacing in 2024. Several other projects including curb repair, stormwater inlet repair, Far Hills storm sewer replacement, and CenterPoint gas line work will be completed before the roadway resurfacing.
- MISCELLANEOUS
 - City Manager Photo Wall: Mr. Klopsch mentioned that staff is working on building a photo display for the city managers that have served Oakwood since 1931, the year that Oakwood officially became a city.

At 7:25 p.m., Mayor Duncan adjourned the work session and Council moved to regular session.



Mayor

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Clerk of Council