

JUNE 6, 2022 COUNCIL MEETING

City Council met in public session on June 6, 2022. Here are the highlights.

Council meeting minutes were approved for the May 2 regular session and work session, and the May 16 work session and executive session.

STATUS REPORT

- Citizen Committee Appointment – City Council appointed Kate Halpin to the Budget Review Committee.
- Electricity Rates – Law Director Rob Jacques commented on electricity costs and alternative electricity suppliers.

AN OAKWOOD MOMENT

- Vice Mayor Steve Byington recognized the Oakwood Academic Decathlon Team for winning their 10th straight Division III national title.

LEGISLATION

Oakwood City Council approved the following legislation:

- An Ordinance to continue prohibiting the use of fireworks.

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

- An Ordinance to adopt an updated Chapter 551 (Landscape Management) of the General Offenses Code.

STAFF REPORT

- Leisure Services Department Presentation: Leisure Services Director Carol Collins provided an update on parks and recreation programs and events.

CITY MANAGER’S COMMENTS: City Manager Norbert Klopsch provided the following report:

- Two public pickleball courts will soon be available at Orchardly Park.
- The Johnny Appleseed Street Tree Planting Project is a wonderful program in Oakwood. He purchased a tree through the program each of the last three years and he plans to buy another one this year.
- The monthly debris drop-off events at the Public Works Center continue to be heavily used.
- This year’s leaf mulch program ended the second week of May, but there is leftover mulch available for pick-up at the Public Works Center while it lasts.
- Asphalt repaving is scheduled for the latter part of July. Additional information, including a list of streets being repaved, is available on the City’s website and in the June/July *Oakwood Scene* newsletter.
- The annual Sidewalk, Curb and Driveway Apron project work will not begin until September due to a backlog of infrastructure work in the region.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

- Councilmember Leigh Turben shared that she will travel to Le Vésinet late this month to represent Oakwood at the 50th anniversary of the twinning between Oakwood and Le Vésinet.
- Councilmember Rob Stephens congratulated the Oakwood High School graduating class of 2022 and wished them luck. He thanked the Oakwood community on behalf of Oakwood Rotary and Oakwood City Council for their support of the “That Day in May” event.
- Vice Mayor Steve Byington shared that the Oakwood Farmers’ Market opened this past Saturday. He encouraged people to come out and visit. He congratulated the Oakwood High School girls track team on winning their second straight Division II state championship.

- Mayor Bill Duncan shared that he recently attended the first in-person change-of-command ceremony at the National Museum of the U.S. Air Force in over two years. The National Air and Space Intelligence Center (NASIC) at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base welcomed Colonel Ariel Batungbacal as its new commander.

The public meeting concluded at 8:20 p.m.