### **SEPTEMBER 18, 2023 COUNCIL MEETING**

City Council met in a public session on September 18, 2023. Here are the highlights.

Council meeting minutes were approved for the August 7, 2023 regular session, work session and executive session.

# **STATUS REPORTS**

- ➤ <u>Proclamation recognizing September 17-23 as "Constitution Week"</u> Mayor Bill Duncan read a proclamation recognizing September 17-23 as "Constitution Week."
- ➤ <u>Auditor of State Award</u> Mayor Bill Duncan recognized Finance Director Cindy Stafford, CPA, for once again completing a successful financial audit and receiving the Auditor of State Award.
- ➤ <u>Electricity Aggregation Program</u> Law Director Rob Jacques provided an update on the MVCC program and the methods by which Oakwood electricity customers can now enroll in the program.
- Staffing Changes Law Director Rob Jacques commented on the promotion of Ethan Kroger to Planning & Zoning Manager and the appointment of Sangita Anand to Human Resources Manager.

# **VISITORS**

- ➤ Oakwood Teen Court Advisor Chris Conard: Teen Court Advisor Chris Conard provided a brief update on the operation of the Oakwood Teen Court.
- ➤ 2023 July and August Beautification Award Winners: Mayor Bill Duncan recognized the 2023 July and August Beautification Award winners.
- An Oakwood resident suggested that the vacant lot at 1313 Far Hills Avenue be converted into a low-maintenance biodiversity-friendly park commemorating Oakwood resident Joe Desch.
- An Oakwood resident spoke about September being Suicide Prevention Month.

#### **LEGISLATION**

Oakwood City Council approved the following legislation:

- A Resolution appointing the Oakwood Law Director to the Board of Dayton Regional Energy Special Improvement District.
- ➤ A Resolution to approve Existing Property Tax Amounts and Rates.

### STAFF REPORT

<u>Public Works Update</u>: Mr. Doug Spitler, PE, Public Works Director, updated Council on various Public Works projects and operations.

## AN OAKWOOD MOMENT

Councilmember Leigh Turben highlighted the Oakwood Community Center Blood Drive.

#### COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mayor Bill Duncan read a letter from Harman School Principal Sarah Patterson recognizing the efforts of Oakwood Public Safety Officer Jeff Payne.

The public meeting concluded at 8:37 p.m.