

VILLAGE OF OAKWOOD  
WORK SESSION MINUTES  
November 9, 2021

ATTENDED

Johnnie Warren-Council President  
Elaine Gaither-Council-at-Large  
Chris Callender-Ward 1  
Eloise Hardin-Ward 2  
Patricia Rogers-Ward 4

Amily Imbrogno-Asst. Law Director

Absent

Candace Williams-Ward 5

**Warren:** I think WS-05 and WS-06 we can talk about. But specifically,

Ord 2021-WS-24 AN ORDINANCE ENACTING A NEW CHAPTER 510 "FLYING MODEL  
Introduced 10/26/2021 AIRCRAFT/UNMANNED AERIAL VEHICLES (UAVs)" OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCE  
and tabled OF THE VILLAGE OF OAKWOOD AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

**Warren:** Who brought this up? **Morgan:** It was a discussion amongst the Clerks who were looking for possible ordinances and I noticed we did not have one. So, Jim drew one up for us. **Warren:** Okay. **Rogers:** I'll give it to Captain Freeman to look at and see if he had any comments. Next thing I knew, it was on the agenda, so I guess it was approved by somebody. **Warren:** For the work session, yeah. I say we can read the ordinance and make a motion to move it to the regular agenda. **Gaither:** What's happened it's on the work session, but this is the actual ordinance. **Warren:** Yeah, this is the ordinance here. That's what I have. **Rogers:** Number 24? **Warren:** Right. **Rogers:** The flying model aircraft? **Gaither:** Right, but it's an ordinance here just like we did nothing yet. **Warren:** We haven't yet. We are going to be moving it to the regular agenda. Usually, it's in its ordinance form on the work session a lot of times, too. But we are going to read this. If anybody has any exceptions to the ordinance, we can bring them up at our regular council meeting. Can I get a motion to move 2021-WS-24 to the regular agenda?

**MOTION TO MOVE 2021-WS-24 to regular agenda by Rogers; Seconded by Gaither**

**VOTE YES:** Warren, Gaither, Callender, Hardin, Sanders, Rogers

**MOTION PASSED**

Ord-WS-25 AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF ROSS  
Introduced by Mayor & CIRINCIONE TO EMPLOYMENT WITH THE VILLAGE OF OAKWOOD.  
Council as a whole

**Warren:** Can I get a motion to move that to the regular agenda?

**MOTION TO MOVE 2021-WS-25 to the regular agenda by Gaither; Seconded by Rogers**

**VOTE YES:** Warren, Gaither, Callender, Hardin, Sanders, Rogers

**MOTION PASSED**

Ord 2021-WS-26 AN ORDINANCE ENACTING REGULATIONS OF ELECTRONIC DIGITAL BILLBOARD  
Introduced and Tabled SIGNS LOCATED IN THE VILLAGE OF OAKWOOD  
10/26/2021

**Rogers:** I'm not for this. I don't know of any of you feel, but we haven't had much discussion on it. **Hardin:** This is your pet peeve. **Rogers:** I feel we didn't need to see that up and down Broadway. Or anyway actually. **Gaither:** Is the to regulate? **Rogers:** There's 2 of them. The sign ordinance was gone over by legal and there were changes made to it.

If you read through it, different sections had.... **Gaither:** She just passed it. **Rogers:** Oh, you didn't get to read it at all? **Gaither:** No, she just passed it out. **Morgan:** You had it in the last packet and then it went to planning. It was at the last meeting, and it was discussed then. **Imbrogno:** We did a red line version of the last one. **Hardin:** So, who worked on it in your organization? **Imbrogno:** Myself and Ross Ciricione. **Warren:** Why don't we pass on this, review it and read it and talk about it. **Imbrogno:** I don't know how much you have heard about this one but the electronic sign, Ross and I took pretty much off the A-F from the International Municipal League. They had suggestions for sign ordinances that are constitutional. They look at the scientific background of all this. What footcandles are appropriate since we are not scientists. So, that's where we took this from. We felt it was pretty safe fact to go along with since the IML said it was okay. Then, we checked in with the fire department to make sure the sign out front does or can be changed to comply with this, because we didn't think it was in good form that we weren't in compliance. So, that's the background on this going into reading it. **Rogers:** It can all be legal but doesn't make it right for the Village. Which I don't. **Imbrogno:** If there are any particular changes you want to make.... **Warren:** Well, we have to have something to regulate signs. Pat, what are you saying, that you don't like what the wording is? **Rogers:** We have extensive chapters on signs that has served us well. Look at the kind of signs we've got. The monument signs. They're dignified, classy. Not some kind of flashing sign that could be changed to whatever the person wants on it. Who will regulate that? It could be political. It could be racist. Who knows? **Imbrogno:** Would your preference be to not have any signs at all rather than regulate them? **Rogers:** The electronic. **Imbrogno:** Okay. **Rogers:** Then I have another section that I think we should add because I don't see that in the main that was in here. About abandoned signs? I copied this from *American Legal* and I was hoping you would take a look at it and consider it. **Imbrogno:** Sure. **Rogers:** We do have a sign over on Oak Leaf in fact after Waste Management and right before Alexander, for the window factory. They have been gone for quite a while. It's a huge sign and it just abandoned. They should be responsible for removing it. I had to wear my glasses just to make sure I could read it. I had Deb at the building department tell me about it and I drove down there twice and didn't see it. She said 'Pat, look up.' **Imbrogno:** Do you want me to incorporate this into the draft now before the planning commission looks at it or do you want more discussion? **Warren:** Definitely for abandoned signs, we need something like that in the ordinance. **Imbrogno:** This looks fine to me. I'll tweek it a little bit, but I haven't seen any problems with it. If you just want me to put it in here before I go. **Rogers:** There are 2 pages there, so I wasn't sure if the rest of it was appropriate. **Imbrogno:** About the penalties? **Rogers:** Yes, there should be some kind of penalties so we can act on it. **Imbrogno:** Okay. **Warren:** Thanks Pat.

Ord 2021-WS-27  
Introduced and Tabled  
10/26/2021

AN ORDINANCE ENACTING SEVERAL CHANGES TO OAKWOOD VILLAGE CODIFIED ORDINANCES RELATED TO THE REGULATIONS OF SIGNS LOCATED IN OAKWOOD VILLAGE

**Rogers:** One was the digital. The electronic signs were made separate. Just in case we didn't want it. **Imbrogno:** I didn't want to agree to one thing in case you guys rejected the first one. **Warren:** Both of them we can put the removal in both. **Imbrogno:** Oh, the abandoned signs? **Warren:** Yeah. **Imbrogno:** Yes, that will be in the big one. So, most of the changes I have made to the big one of what's removing a content restriction from the sign code. Because when you regulate content, you run into a lot of constitution problems. So, I changed it so that the definitions were more tailored towards what type of sign it physically is versus what kind of speech it has on it. So, that was a main purpose. And last week I adjusted the redline version which I can be emailing it if you want it electronic. **Hardin:** Do we have anything on height? **Warren:** I think we did have the height in the original ordinance. **Imbrogno:** I wouldn't have removed anything like that was already in there. **Warren:** We are talking about ground signs. **Imbrogno:** So, if there is any other type of consideration you have after you look at the redline version, be sure to give me a tweet. **Rogers:** Oh, there was one other thing too. You chose to remove political signs? **Imbrogno:** That's right because it's a type of speech so that's where you run into issues. **Rogers:** So, you felt that could go under temporary signs? **Imbrogno:** Right. I imagine you don't want political signs all year long. You just want them around the election. **Warren:** And we want to make sure they whoever the person running, that all those signs are gathered up. **Rogers:** The way Ami has put it together, she gave you what we have now and then, the next portion is what it will change to. **Imbrogno:** Yes, I made a note tomorrow to send around the redline version by email to all of you and then add abandoned signs. Well I guess I have to add the abandoned signs first and then change the redline version and send it all to you.

**Warren:** That's the work session unless anybody has any questions. Please think of some days that you may be available to get this budget out of the way. Every year, we say we don't want to be doing this on December 30<sup>th</sup> or

whatever. We don't want to pass a temporary budget like we have the last 2 times. If we could do that, I would appreciate it. **Morgan:** Just shoot me an email and let me know, then I will let Brian know. **Warren:** Okay.

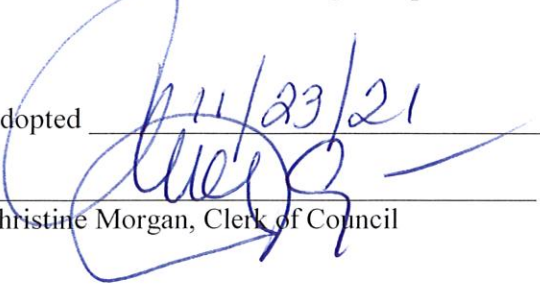
**MOTION TO ADJOURN by Rogers; Seconded by Gaither**

**VOTE YES:** Warren, Gaither, Callender, Hardin, Sanders, Rogers

**MEETING ADJOURNED @ 8:51pm**

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Adopted

  
Christine Morgan, Clerk of Council

  
Johnnie Warren, Council President