



**VILLAGE OF OBETZ
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**

REGULAR MEETING OF FEBRUARY 10, 2014

The Obetz Village Council met in regular session on February 10, 2014 at 6:00 PM at the Obetz Government Center located at 4175 Alum Creek Drive with Mayor D. Greg Scott presiding.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Scott called the roll with six members of Council present: Mrs. Bonnie Wiley, Mr. James Wiley, Mr. Michael Flaherty, Mr. Guiles Richardson, Mrs. Louise Crabtree, and Mrs. Angie Kirk. Also present were E. Rod Davisson, Administrator/Economic Development Director; Michael Confer, Chief of Police; Eve Ellinger, Law Director, and, Stacey Boumis, Community Services Director/Council Clerk.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Scott called for a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of January 27, 2014. Motion made by Mrs. Wiley; seconded by Mr. Flaherty. Voting as follows: Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Wiley – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mrs. Kirk – yes; Mrs. Crabtree – yes. The minutes of the January 27, 2014 meeting were approved.

PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

Mark McCullers, President and General Manager of The Columbus Crew, addressed Council and Mayor Scott. He introduced members of his staff. He stated that he wants to rejuvenate the relationship with Obetz. Mr. Davisson addressed Council and Mayor Scott. In his opinion there is an exciting future for The Crew and Obetz.

The Street Department staff was present and was recognized by Mr. Davisson for their hard work during the recent snows. Mayor Scott and members of Council thanked them for their hard work.

Mayor Scott swore in police officer Jordan Elzey.

ORDINANCES

First Readings

No first readings.

Second Readings

No second readings.

Third Readings

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 01-14 An Ordinance Authorizing The Mayor Or Administrator To Enter Into Various Recurring Contracts Necessary For The Continuous Operation Of The Village

And Declaring An Emergency. Mayor Scott discussed Ordinance 01-14. Mayor Scott called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 01-14. Motion made by Mr. Wiley; seconded by Mr. Richardson. Voting as follows: Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Wiley – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mrs. Kirk – yes; Mrs. Crabtree - yes. Ordinance 01-14 was adopted.

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 02-14 An Ordinance Creating Section 339.14 Of The Codified Ordinances Prohibiting The Use Of Engine Retarders Within The Corporation Limits. Mayor Scott discussed Ordinance 02-14. Mayor Scott called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 02-14. Motion made by Mrs. Crabtree; seconded by Mrs. Wiley. Voting as follows: Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Wiley – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mrs. Kirk – yes; Mrs. Crabtree - yes. Ordinance 02-14 was adopted.

Emergencies

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 05-14 An Ordinance To Approve Additional 2014 Appropriations For The Current Expenses And Other Expenditures Of The Village Of Obetz. Mayor Scott and Mr. Davisson discussed Ordinance 05-14. The additional appropriations are needed to pay overtime for the Street Department due to the excessive snow; replace light poles; and pay sewer tap fees to Columbus. Mr. Wiley moved to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 05-14; seconded by Mrs. Crabtree. Voting as follows: Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Wiley – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mrs. Kirk – yes; Mrs. Crabtree - yes. Mrs. Wiley moved to adopt Ordinance 05-14; seconded by Mr. Wiley. Voting as follows: Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Wiley – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mrs. Kirk – yes; Mrs. Crabtree - yes.

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 03-14 An Ordinance Confirming Richard W. Burriss As A Police Officer And Declaring An Emergency. Mayor Scott and Mr. Davisson discussed Ordinance 03-14. Mayor Scott called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 03-14. Motion made by Mrs. Kirk; seconded by Mr. Wiley. Voting as follows: Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Wiley – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mrs. Kirk – yes; Mrs. Crabtree - yes. Mayor Scott called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 03-14. Motion made by Mrs. Wiley; seconded by Mr. Wiley. Voting as follows: Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Wiley – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mrs. Kirk – yes; Mrs. Crabtree - yes.

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 04-14 An Ordinance Granting The Ohio Department Of Transportation The Final Authority To Undertake The Interstate 270 Project PID Number 83988 And Declaring An Emergency. Mayor Scott discussed Ordinance 04-14. Mayor Scott called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 04-14. Motion made by Mr. Wiley; seconded by Mrs. Wiley. Voting as follows: Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Wiley – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mrs. Kirk – yes; Mrs. Crabtree - yes. Mayor Scott called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 04-14. Motion made by Mr. Wiley; seconded by Mrs. Wiley. Voting as follows: Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Wiley – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mrs. Kirk – yes; Mrs. Crabtree - yes.

Tabled

Ordinance 56-13 remained on the table.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Recreation and Health (Council Member Kirk) – Mrs. Kirk reviewed upcoming events. Dance fitness classes are on Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Obetz Athletic Club. Baseball and softball sign-ups begin February 18th. She also stated that February was Heart Health month at the Community Center.

Safety and Streets (Council Member Crabtree) – Nothing to report.

Public Utilities (Council President Pro-Tem Flaherty) – Nothing to report.

Finance (Council Member J. Wiley) – Nothing to report.

Legislation (Council Member Richardson) – Nothing to report.

Planning and Zoning Commission (Council Member B. Wiley) – Mrs. Wiley stated that the Planning and Zoning Commission was meeting on February 12.

VILLAGE OFFICIALS' REPORTS

Mayor Scott – Mayor Scott thanked the Street Department for their work during recent snow storms.

Eve Ellinger, Law Director – Ms. Ellinger stated that she had nothing to report.

J. Michael Confer, Police Chief – Chief Confer stated that a few parking tickets were issued during the last snow storm.

Stacey Boumis, Council Clerk – Ms. Boumis stated that she had nothing to report.

E. Rod Davisson, Esq., Administrator/Economic Development Director – Mr. Davisson stated that Obetz had a great year economically. In order for the Village to maintain its bond rating, it needs to keep \$1.7 million dollars in the bank. He shared his capital spending recommendations with Council. Mayor Scott and Council members commented on the list.

Mr. Davisson discussed the I-270 project showing a preliminary design for the interchange and bridge. He also discussed water shut-offs at vacant properties and pot hole claims. Council members determined they were not interested in paying the claims Mr. Davisson presented.

Mr. Davisson discussed the improvements to Frusta Drive and McGaw Road. He stated that the Village received a grant to defer a portion of the cost. He also discussed the Toy Road curb cut requested by Opus. He stated that he wanted to trade this curb cut for a curb cut onto Rohr Road.

Mr. Davisson stated that Council will need to determine the next big project. He presented four choices – the indoor sports arena; indoor hard court; downtown revitalization; outdoor public pool. He further stated that the archery range and swimming pond can be developed in addition to the above projects. Council members and Mayor Scott discussed future projects.

OLD BUSINESS

No old business.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business.

REMARKS FROM THE AUDIENCE

A resident that lives at the corner of Hillcrest and Mathews Avenue stated that Mathews Avenue is now a thoroughfare as a result of the installation of the speed bumps on Lancaster Street. Mr. Davisson stated that the Engineer will continue to study this area.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Scott called for a motion to adjourn into executive session to discuss economic development. Motion made by Mrs. Wiley; seconded by Mr. Wiley. Voting as follows: Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Wiley – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mrs. Kirk – yes; Mrs. Crabtree - yes. Council went into executive session at 7:02 PM. All six members of Council returned from executive session at 7:26 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Scott called for a motion to adjourn. Motion made by Mrs. Wiley; seconded by Mr. Flaherty. All ayes. Motion carried. Council adjourned at approximately 7:27 PM.



D. Greg Scott, Mayor



Stacey E. Boumis, Clerk