



**VILLAGE OF OBETZ  
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**

**REGULAR MEETING OF JANUARY 27, 2014**

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The Obetz Village Council met in regular session on January 27, 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; Eugene Hollins, Assistant Village Solicitor, 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 13, 2014. 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. The minutes of the January 14, 2014 meeting were approved.

**ORDINANCES**

**First Readings**

No first readings.

**Second 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.

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.

**Third Readings**

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 73-13 An Ordinance Modifying Obetz Code Section 305.05 Regarding Parking Restrictions And Declaring An Emergency. Mr. Davisson explained the parking changes. He stated that he has received numerous complaints regarding sight lines. He discussed where parking would be eliminated and why. He explained the Ohio Department of Transportation's suggested sight triangles. He stated that given the current situation, an on-coming car cannot be seen at the intersection of Trotter Drive and Poplar Street.

Note: A copy of the PowerPoint slides is included at the end of the minutes.

A resident stated that she received a flyer that said parking was going to be eliminated on the entire street. Mrs. Wiley stated that she passed out the flyer. She apologized to the residents for the miscommunication.

Roy Hollingshead, resident at 2187 Poplar Street, addressed Council and Mayor Scott. He stated that he is disabled and people are in and out of his house taking care of him and his wife. He cannot afford to widen the driveway. He asked if he would be given a subsidy from the Village to widen the driveway. Mr. Davisson stated that a subsidy would be very difficult and creating a handicapped only, temporary parking space on the street does not address the sight line issue. Mr. Hollingshead stated that the bus stops at the intersection of Poplar Street and Trotter Drive. Residents expressed the need to put a stop closer to the middle of Poplar Street for the smaller children. The intersection gets busy at times and visibility is difficult when vehicles are parked on the street near that location.

Mr. Davisson stated that he will not post the “No Parking” signs right away. Rather, he will discuss options with Mr. Hollingshead. He will inform Council prior to posting the signs.

Mayor Scott called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 73-13. Motion made 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.

### **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 06-14 An Ordinance To Provide An Effective Means For Protecting The Public Water System From Contamination Due To Backflow Of Contaminants Through The Water Service Connection Into The Public Water System And Declaring An Emergency. Mr. Davisson discussed Ordinance 06-14. Mr. Davisson stated that the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (OEPA) has backflow requirements. Currently there is an administrative rule regarding backflow prevention; however, the OEPA has requested that an ordinance be adopted by Council. Mr. Davisson further discussed the requirements. Mr. Wiley moved to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 06-14; 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. Mr. Wiley moved to adopt Ordinance 06-14; 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**

Mr. Flaherty announced the Committee assignments. The committees are as follows:

*Recreation and Health*

Chair - Angie Kirk  
Mike Flaherty  
Louise Crabtree

*Safety and Streets*

Chair - Louise Crabtree  
Guiles Richardson  
Jim Wiley

*Public Utilities*

Chair - Mike Flaherty  
All of Council

*Finance*

Jim Wiley - Chair  
Louise Crabtree  
Mike Flaherty

*Legislation*

Guiles Richardson - Chair  
Angie Kirk  
Bonnie Wiley

Mr. Flaherty nominated Mrs. Wiley to serve on the Planning and Zoning Commission; seconded by Mr. Wiley. No other nominations. Voting as follows: Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Wiley – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mrs. Kirk – yes; Mrs. Crabtree - yes.

**VILLAGE OFFICIALS' REPORTS**

*Mayor Scott* – Mayor Scott thanked the Street Department for their work during recent snow storms. The Christmas tree will be removed soon – weather permitting. The ice rink is a success. The rumors regarding Chipotle and Menards are not true. The Southeast Franklin County Chamber of Commerce’s Business Expo is Friday from 4:30 to 7:00 PM.

*Eugene Hollins, Assistant Solicitor* – Mr. Hollins stated that an executive session is needed to discuss personnel and economic development.

*J. Michael Confer, Police Chief* – Chief Confer stated that Detective Martin is currently working on seven felony cases. A resident requested that the speed trailer be placed on Magoffin Drive. Chief Confer stated that once the weather improves he will oblige.

*Stacey Boumis, Council Clerk* –Ms. Boumis encouraged Council members to attend the Southeast Franklin County Chamber of Commerce Business Expo.

*E. Rod Davisson, Esq., Administrator/Economic Development Director* – Mr. Davisson stated that 180 residents are scheduled to have their water turned off; however, he would like to postpone shut-offs due to the weather. Mrs. Wiley moved to postpone shut-offs for one month; 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.

Mr. Davisson stated that there is a need to enforce the two inch snow emergency parking regulations. It is difficult to plow around cars parked on the street. He stated that the parking regulations have been on the website for a considerable length of time. Signs are also located throughout the Village. The regulations apply regardless of whether a sign is posted.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

No old business.

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No new business.

#### **REMARKS FROM THE AUDIENCE**

No remarks from the audience.


#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mayor Scott called for a motion to adjourn into executive session to discuss economic development and personnel. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; 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. Council went into executive session at 7:00 PM. All six members of Council returned from executive session at 7:35 PM.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Scott called for a motion to adjourn. Motion made by Mr. Flaherty; seconded by Mrs. Crabtree. All ayes. Motion carried. Council adjourned at approximately 7:36 PM.

  
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D. Greg Scott, Mayor

  
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Stacey E. Boumis, Clerk