



**VILLAGE OF OBETZ
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**

REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 27, 2014

The Obetz Village Council met in regular session on October 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 five members of Council present: Mrs. Bonnie Wiley, Mr. James Wiley, Mr. Guiles Richardson, Mrs. Angie Kirk, and Mr. Michael Flaherty. Also present were E. Rod Davisson, Administrator, Eve M. Ellinger, Law Director, Michael Confer, Chief of Police; and, Stacey Boumis, Community Services Director.

Mayor Scott called for a motion to excuse Mrs. Crabtree. Motion made by Mrs. Kirk; seconded by Mr. Wiley. Voting as follows: Mrs. Wiley – no; Mr. Wiley – no; Mr. Richardson – no; Mr. Flaherty – no; Mrs. Kirk – no. Motion failed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Scott called for a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of October 15, 2014. Motion made by Mr. Wiley; seconded by Mrs. Kirk. Voting as follows: Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Wiley – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mrs. Kirk – yes. The minutes of the October 15, 2014 meeting were approved.

ORDINANCES

First Readings

No first readings.

Second Readings

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 51-14 An Ordinance Approving The Village Of Obetz Annual Conversion Plan Which Allows Employees To Convert Vacation And Sick Time To Cash In Accordance With The Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS) Specifications, And Declaring An Emergency. Mr. Davisson discussed Ordinance 51-14. He stated that this is the same program as in previous years.

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 53-14 An Ordinance Authorizing The Mayor To Distribute A One-Time Bonus To All Current Village Employees. Mr. Davisson discussed Ordinance 53-14. He stated that this is the same amount as in previous years.

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 54-14 An Ordinance Confirming Eric J. Baker As A Police Officer And Declaring An Emergency. Mr. Davisson stated that Officer Baker will be present at the next Council meeting.

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 57-14 An Ordinance Modifying Section 1305.08 Of The Codified Ordinances Related To The Refusal Of Building Permits. Council, Mr. Davisson and Ms. Boumis discussed Ordinance 57-14.

Third Readings

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 49-14 An Ordinance Modifying Obetz Code Section 149.01 And Repealing Obetz Code Sections 149.02 Through 149.18 Related To Employment Provisions. Mr. Davisson discussed Ordinance 49-14. Ms. Ellinger distributed copies of the employee manual. Mayor Scott called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 49-14. Motion made by Mr. Wiley; seconded by Mr. Flaherty. Voting as follows: Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Wiley – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mrs. Kirk – yes.

Emergencies

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 59-14 An Ordinance To Approve Additional 2014 Appropriations For The Current Expenses And Other Expenditures Of The Village Of Obetz. Mr. Davisson discussed Ordinance 59-14. He stated that the Village has been selling more electric than anticipated; therefore additional funds are needed to purchase electric to resell. Mayor Scott called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 59-14. Motion made by Mr. Wiley; seconded by Mrs. Wiley. Voting as follows: Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Wiley – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mrs. Kirk – yes. Mayor Scott called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 59-14. Motion made by Mr. Wiley; seconded by Mr. Flaherty. Voting as follows: Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Wiley – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mrs. Kirk – yes.

Tabled

Ordinance 25-14 remained tabled.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mrs. Wiley stated that the park across the street should be named Eagle's Nest Park.

Mr. Flaherty stated that the 7th and 8th grade middle school boys' football teams both won their leagues. The junior varsity team also won their league. Most of the players on those teams played in Obetz' recreational football program.

VILLAGE OFFICIALS' REPORTS

Mayor Scott – Mayor Scott stated that Vance's had their grand opening last weekend. Obetz shuttled employees over the weekend. Mayor Scott received a lot of positive comments from the employees. Mayor Scott also announced that the Christmas Kick-Off will be December 13th.

Ms. Sharon Jones stated that she is worried about the fish in the pond. She is worried they are not receiving enough nutrients and may be undersized. She further stated that her recent complaint has not been resolved.

Mrs. Wiley's brother addressed Council. He provided recommendations for improving the community including the construction of a new water plant; installation of benches in the parks; upgraded street

signs to match the street signs in West Oletz; and aesthetic improvements to the highway overpass. Mr. Davisson responded to his comments outlining the improvements that have been recently done to the water treatment plant as well as the other projects currently underway.

A resident stated that Howard Road needs work, especially by the speed bump. A resident questioned how often the streets are cleaned. The resident stated that Bridlewood Boulevard needs cleaned.

Mr. Richardson stated that a resident asked about installing stop signs on Meriline Avenue or Roggie Avenue. Mr. Davisson, Mayor Scott, and Council discussed the issue. Mr. Davisson stated that the Village Engineer has prepared a report and recommendations regarding the installation of additional street signs in that neighborhood.

Mrs. Kirk announced the upcoming levy meeting.

J. Michael Confer, Police Chief – Chief Confer reviewed police statistics with Council.

Stacey Boumis, AICP, Community Services Director – Ms. Boumis stated that the Halloween Party was a success.

Hamilton Township Fire Department – John Blankenship stated that the Department has been checking hydrants. Very few need serviced. He announced the spaghetti dinner on November 6th at the Intermediate School.

E. Rod Davisson, Esq., Administrator/Economic Development Director – Mr. Davisson stated that he is working on the 2015 budget. Grass is growing well at the archery park.

OLD BUSINESS

No old business.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business.

REMARKS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Mrs. Betty Dyer announced the Block Watch potluck. She stated that the potluck is the last meeting of the year.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Scott called for a motion to adjourn. Motion made by Mrs. Wiley; seconded by Mr. Wiley. All ayes. Motion carried. Council adjourned at 6:50 PM.



D. Greg Scott, Mayor



Stacey E. Boumis, Clerk