VILLAGE OF OBETZ RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS



REGULAR MEETING OF JANUARY 26, 2015

The Obetz Village Council met in regular session on January 26, 2015 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. Guiles Richardson, Mrs. Angie Kirk, Mrs. Louise Crabtree, and Mr. Michael Flaherty. Also present were E. Rod Davisson, Administrator, Eve M. Ellinger, Law Director, Michael Confer, Police Chief, and, Stacey Boumis, Community Services Director.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Scott called for a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of January 12, 2015. Motion made by Mrs. Wiley; seconded by Mr. Wiley. Voting as follows: Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Wiley – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mrs. Crabtree – yes; Mrs. Kirk – yes. The minutes of the January 12, 2015 meeting were approved.

ORDINANCES

First Readings

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 09-15 An Ordinance Adopting Garbage And Refuse Regulations Within The Village Of Obetz.

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 11-15 An Ordinance Increasing The Salary Of All Elected Officials. Mr. Davisson discussed Ordinance 11-15. Council has not had a salary adjustment since 2002. The Charter caps the increase at 8 percent which is what is in the ordinance.

Second Readings

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 06-15 An Ordinance To Modify Section 549.11 Related To The Discharge Of Arrows And Other Objects Within The Village Of Obetz. Council discussed Ordinance 06-15.

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 07-15 An Ordinance Confirming Jordan A. Elzey As A Police Officer And Declaring An Emergency. Chief Confer discussed Officer Elzey. He stated that there have been no issues with his performance or disciplinary concerns. Mr. Davisson also stated that there have been no issues.

Third Readings

No third readings.

Emergencies

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 08-15 An Ordinance Submitting Recommendations Of The Tax Incentive Review Council Regarding Several Village Tax Incentives And Declaring An Emergency. Mr. Davisson Ordinance 08-15. He stated that review of the Village's tax incentives is completed yearly. Mayor Scott called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 08-15. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Wiley. Voting as follows: Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Wiley – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mrs. Crabtree - yes; Mrs. Kirk – yes. Mayor Scott called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 08-15. Motion made by Mrs. Crabtree; seconded by Mr. Wiley. Voting as follows: Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Wiley – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mrs. Crabtree - yes; Mrs. Kirk – yes.

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 10-15 An Ordinance Modifying Section 1361.06 Of The Codified Ordinances Requiring A Condemnation Reversal Permit. Mr. Davisson, Mr. Eric Fischer, Assistant Development Director and Code Enforcement Official, and Council discussed Ordinance 10-15. They discussed the number of properties that have been condemned; who boards up houses; and how long houses typically stay condemned. Mayor Scott called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 10-15. Motion made by Mr. Wiley; seconded by Mr. Richardson. Voting as follows: Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Wiley – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mrs. Crabtree - yes; Mrs. Kirk – yes. Mayor Scott called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 10-15. Motion made by Mr. Wiley; seconded by Mr. Richardson. Voting as follows: Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Wiley – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mrs. Crabtree - yes; Mrs. Kirk – yes.

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 12-15 An Ordinance Authorizing The Director Of Finance To Make Payment On A Contract With Prairie Township, And Declaring An Emergency. Mr. Davisson, Mayor Scott, and Council discussed Ordinance 12-15. Mayor Scott called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 12-15. 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. Crabtree - yes; Mrs. Kirk – yes. Mayor Scott called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 12-15. Motion made by Mr. Wiley; seconded by Mr. Richardson. Voting as follows: Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Wiley – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mrs. Crabtree - yes; Mrs. Kirk – yes.

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 13-15 An Ordinance Authorizing The Director Of Finance To Make Payment On A Contract With The City Of Columbus, And Declaring An Emergency. Mr. Davisson discussed Ordinance 13-15. Mayor Scott called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 13-15. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Wiley. Voting as follows: Mr. Wiley – yes; Mr. Wiley – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mrs. Crabtree - yes; Mrs. Kirk – yes. Mayor Scott called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 13-15. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mrs. Crabtree. Voting as follows: Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Wiley – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mrs. Crabtree - yes; Mrs. Kirk – yes.

Tabled

No tabled ordinances.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

No reports.

VILLAGE OFFICIALS' REPORTS

Mayor Scott – Mayor Scott and Mr. Davisson discussed the proposed theme and name for the new parkland behind Vance's. Council supported the name and liked the theme. Ms. Boumis stated that she is working with Stantec to create a signage plan for the Village which will also include park signage.

Council and Mayor discussed the proposed list for Zucchinifest entertainment. Mayor Scott stated that he does not want to spend more money on entertainment this year.

Michael Confer, Police Chief — Chief Confer stated that the thief that broke into CCT was caught. It has been a successful year to date. Mayor Scott stated residents are upset about the individuals in the neighborhoods trying to get them to switch electric companies. Chief Confer stated that each person should have a permit. Mayor Scott wants officers to stop people and make sure they have a permit. Residents are afraid.

Hamilton Township Fire Department – Chief Shillingburg stated that the Township is working on a new website. He further stated that last year there were 849 EMS runs and 411 fire runs to Obetz.

E. Rod Davisson, Esq., Administrator/Economic Development Director — Mr. Davisson stated that new water meters will be installed this spring. The new meters will integrate with Tyler Technology. Time clocks will be installed soon as well. Work continues on I-270 and the sound wall. He shared the new logo and asked for final approval so he can move forward with stationary and signage. Improvements to the water plant are underway. Nominations are due for the citizen utilities commission as well as the capital improvement list.

Mr. Davisson stated Mrs. Pamala Scott is grateful that Council agreed to reimburse her but in order to avoid the appearance of impropriety, Mrs. Pamala Scott has agreed to not accept payment from the Village.

OLD BUSINESS

No old business.

NEW BUSINESS

Mrs. Wiley stated that there has always been an unspoken rule about how the new Council President Pro-Tem would be selected. She stated that Mr. Wiley lost his chance to be President Pro-Tem as a result of Mrs. Kirk's selection as the new Council President Pro-Tem. Mrs. Wiley stated that the Council rules should be updated to state that discussions for determining the new Council President Pro-Tem for the proceeding year should begin in December of the current year.

REMARKS FROM THE AUDIENCE

No remarks.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Scott called for a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters. Motion made by Mr. Flaherty; seconded by Mr. Richardson. Voting as follows: Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Wiley – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mrs. Crabtree - yes; Mrs. Kirk – yes. Council went into Executive Session at 7:15 PM and returned at 7:33 PM with all six members present.

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 7:33 PM.

D. Greg Scott, Mayor

Stacey E. Bournis, Clerk