# VILLAGE OF OBETZ **RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**



## **REGULAR MEETING OF APRIL 27, 2015**

The Obetz Village Council met in regular session on April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at 6:00 PM at the Obetz Government Center located at 4175 Alum Creek Drive with Mayor Greg Scott presiding.

## **ROLL CALL**

Mayor Scott called the roll with four members of Council present: Mrs. Bonnie Wiley, Mr. Guiles Richardson, Mr. Michael Flaherty, and Mrs. Louise Crabtree. Also present were E. Rod Davisson, Administrator, Eve M. Ellinger, Law Director, Michael Confer, Police Chief, Stacey Boumis, Community Services Director, and Stacie Garvine, Assistant Council Clerk.

Mayor Scott called for a motion to excuse Mr. James Wiley due to illness. Motion made by Mrs. Crabtree; seconded by Mr. Flaherty. Voting as follows: Mr. Richardson—yes; Mr. Flaherty—yes; Mrs. Crabtree—yes; Mrs. Wiley—yes.

Mayor Scott called for a motion to excuse Mrs. Angie Kirk due to a family commitment. Motion made by Mrs. Crabtree; seconded by Mr. Richardson. Voting as follows: Mr. Richardson-yes; Mr. Flaherty—yes; Mrs. Crabtree—yes; Mrs. Wiley—yes.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mayor Scott called for a motion to approve the minutes of the April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015 meeting. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mrs. Crabtree. Voting as follows: Mr. Richardson—yes; Mr. Flaherty—yes; Mrs. Crabtree—yes; Mrs. Wiley—yes. The minutes of the April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015 meeting were approved.

## PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

No proclamations or presentations.

### **ORDINANCES**

**FIRST READINGS** 

No first readings.

#### SECOND READINGS

Ms. Garvine read Ordinance 26-15: An Ordinance Supporting The Big Walnut Watershed Balanced Growth Plan. Ms. Boumis discussed the Growth Plan. She stated that the Plan was written by the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission. The steering committee included all 31 communities within the watershed. The Plan recommends concentrating growth in areas of existing development where sewer service is available. It also recommends preserving floodplain areas as well as existing parkland and tributary streams.

### THIRD READINGS

Ms. Garvine read Ordinance 24-15: An Ordinance To Modify Section 509.12 Related To The Operation Of Radios Or Other Mechanical Soundmaking Devices Or Instruments In Vehicles. Mr. Davisson discussed Ordinance 24-15. He stated that the current code eliminates the commercial exception to soundmaking devices or instruments in vehicles. This Ordinance removes that exception. Mayor Scott called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 24-15. Motion made by Mrs. Crabtree; seconded by Mr. Flaherty. Voting as follows: Mr. Richardson—yes; Mr. Flaherty—yes; Mrs. Crabtree—yes; Mrs. Wiley—yes.

#### **EMERGENCIES**

Ms. Garvine read Ordinance 32-15: An Ordinance Authorizing The Director Of Finance To Make Payment On A Contract With Public Entities Pool Of Ohio, And Declaring An Emergency. Mr. Davisson discussed Ordinance 32-15. The Public Entities Pool is the Village's risk insurance carrier. The new plan will increase the Village's cyber security insurance to \$500,000. Mayor Scott called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 32-15. Motion made by Mrs. Wiley; seconded by Mrs. Crabtree. Voting as follows: Mr. Richardson—yes; Mr. Flaherty—yes; Mrs. Crabtree—yes; Mrs. Wiley—yes. Mayor Scott called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 32-15. Motion made by Mrs. Wiley; seconded by Mr. Richardson. Voting as follows: Mr. Richardson—yes; Mr. Flaherty—yes; Mrs. Crabtree—yes; Mrs. Wiley—yes.

Ms. Garvine read Ordinance 33-15: An Ordinance Authorizing The Village Administrator To Enter Into Contracts With South Central Power Company, And Declaring An Emergency. Mr. Davisson discussed Ordinance 33-15. Obetz will be entering into three contracts with South Central Power Company. Obetz will be increasing the power it is purchasing from 10 megawatts to 20 megawatts. Obetz is paying South Central Power Company to construct improvements to the Obetz side of the electric system in order to improve it and make more power available. Obetz is also creating a loop in order to create redundancy in the system. The third contract is the purchasing contract for bulk electric.

Mr. Flaherty inquired about the cost of the improvements. Mr. Davisson stated that the majority of the costs relates to cabling. Mrs. Wiley asked if the increase in available electric will be enough. Mr. Davissson stated that he was not sure; it will depend on how the buildings are used. Eventually more electric may be needed. When the usage reaches 18 megawatts, South Central Power Company will notify the Village.

Mayor Scott called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 33-15. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mrs. Crabtree. Voting as follows: Mr. Richardson—yes; Mr. Flaherty—yes; Mrs. Crabtree—yes; Mrs. Wiley—yes. Mayor Scott called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 33-15. Motion made by Mrs. Wiley; seconded by Mr. Richardson. Voting as follows: Mr. Richardson—yes; Mr. Flaherty—yes; Mrs. Crabtree—yes; Mrs. Wiley—yes.

#### **TABLED**

No tabled ordinances.

## STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

No reports.

### **VILLAGE OFFICIALS' REPORTS**

Mayor Scott—Mayor Scott stated that the Spring Clean-Up will be May 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>. Last Friday Village staff collected 89 bags of trash and several truckloads of loose debris during its spring clean-up along Interstate 270. Recreational youth softball and baseball starts tonight.

Eve Ellinger, Esq., Law Director—Ms. Ellinger stated that there will be a meeting with the businesses and schools on May 4<sup>th</sup> at the Obetz Conference Center. Mr. Davisson stated that the ObetzJobs.com website is up. Mr. Davisson discussed the Obetz Jobs program. He stated that there will be a kiosk at both the Obetz Government Center and the Obetz Conference Center.

Michael Confer, Police Chief—Chief Confer stated there were 739 calls for service since the last meeting. He further stated that there was a raid last Wednesday morning which generated 7 felony arrests.

Hamilton Township Fire Department—Chief Schillingberg stated that he had a unique run at Centerpoint. Someone was caught in an auger. The individual had broken bones but was alive.

E. Rod Davisson, Esq., Administrator/Economic Development Director—Mr. Davisson shared his idea for a new Village flag. Mr. Flaherty stated that the Village should have a design contest for high school kids in order to generate ideas. Mr. Davisson stated that the upgrades to the Police Station are estimated to cost \$147,000. A soft interview room will be added as well as lockers and better storage. There will be training space and desks for each officer as well as better technology. Two new police officers will be sworn in at the next meeting. Mrs. Wiley asked if either of the officers was a female. Chief Confer stated that only one female applied and she didn't make if very far in the process.

Ms. Terry Dietschle, a resident and member of the audience, asked if the Village would pass legislation that limited the amount of time dogs could be tied to trees and poles or left in the yard.

Mr. Davisson showed Council the final design of the new street signs. He stated that they would be phased in over several years.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

None.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

None.

#### REMARKS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Mr. Jerry Benson addressed Council. He stated that he likes the idea of garage doors on the building at the top of the mound in Dixon Quarry. He further stated that he does not like the draft design of the Village flag that was presented. It looks too much like a sports pennant.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Scott called for a motion to adjourn. Motion made by Mr. Flaherty; seconded by Mr. Richardson. All ayes. Motion carried. Council adjourned at 6:53 PM.

Mayor D. Greg Scott

Stacey Boumis, Clerk