VILLAGE OF OBETZ RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS



REGULAR MEETING OF JULY 13, 2015

The Obetz Village Council met in regular session on July 13th, 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, Mr. Mike Flaherty, Mrs. Louise Crabtree, and Mrs. Angela Kirk. Also present were E. Rod Davisson, Administrator, Eve M. Ellinger, Law Director, Michael Confer, Police Chief, Eric Fischer, Assistant Development Director, and Stacie Garvine, Assistant Clerk of Council.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Scott called for a motion to approve the minutes of the June 22nd, 2015 meeting. Motion made by Mrs. Crabtree; seconded by Mr. Richardson. Voting as follows: Mr. Wiley-yes; Mr. Richardsonyes; Mr. Flaherty—abstain; Mrs. Crabtree—yes; Mrs. Kirk—yes; Mrs. Wiley—yes. The minutes of the June 22nd, 2015 meeting were approved.

ORDINANCES

FIRST READINGS No first readings.

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Scott opened the public hearing for Ordinance 46-15. Ms. Garvine read Ordinance 46-15. Mr. Davisson discussed the tax budget details. No questions. Mayor Scott closed the public hearing.

SECOND READINGS

Ms. Garvine read Ordinance 46-15: An Ordinance To Adopt The Tax Budget For The Village Of Obetz, Ohio For The Fiscal Year Beginning January 1, 2016 And To Submit The Same To The Franklin County Budget Commission And Declaring An Emergency. Mr. Davisson discussed Ordinance 46-15. Mayor Scott called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 46-15. Motion made by Mr. Wiley; seconded by Mr. Flaherty. Voting as follows: Mr. Wiley—yes; Mr. Richardson yes; Mr. Flaherty—yes; Mrs. Crabtree—yes; Mrs. Kirk—yes; Mrs. Wiley—yes. Mayor Scott called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 46-15. Motion made by Mr. Wiley; seconded by Mr. Richardson. Voting as follows: Mr. Wiley—yes; Mr. Richardson—yes; Mr. Flaherty—yes; Mrs. Crabtree—yes; Mrs. Kirk—yes; Mrs. Wiley-yes.

THIRD READINGS

No third readings.

EMERGENCIES

Ms. Garvine read Ordinance 47-15: An Ordinance Authorizing the Village Administrator To Advertise For Bids For The Village Of Obetz' Garbage And Refuse Hauling Services And To Declare An Emergency. Mr. Davisson discussed Ordinance 47-15. He stated that the Waste Management contract expires in November. He explained that there is a consortium of cities and villages that are bidding for their trash services right now. Ordinance 47-15 allows the Administrator to get join the consortium in order to participate in the bid process which hopefully will lead to better pricing for trash services. Mayor Scott called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 47-15. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Wiley. Voting as follows: Mrs. Crabtree—yes; Mrs. Kirk—yes; Mrs. Wiley—yes; Mr. Wiley—yes; Mr. Richardson—yes; Mr. Flaherty—yes. Mayor Scott called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 47-15. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mrs. Crabtree. Voting as follows: Mrs. Crabtree—yes; Mrs. Kirk—yes; Mrs. Wiley—yes; Mr. Wiley—yes; Mr. Richardson—yes; Mr. Flaherty—yes.

Ms. Garvine read Ordinance 48-15: An Ordinance To Approve Additional 2015 Appropriations For The Current Expenses And Other Expenditures Of The Village Of Obetz. Mr. Davisson discussed Ordinance 48-15. Mayor Scott called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 48-15. Motion made by Mr. Flaherty; seconded by Mrs. Crabtree. Voting as follows: Mrs. Crabtree—yes; Mrs. Kirk—yes; Mrs. Wiley—yes; Mr. Richardson—yes; Mr. Flaherty—yes. Mayor Scott called for a motion to adopt 48-15. Motion made by Mrs. Wiley; seconded by Mr. Wiley. Voting as follows: Mrs. Crabtree—yes; Mrs. Kirk—yes; Mrs. Wiley—yes; Mr. Wiley—yes; Mr. Richardson—yes; Mr. Flaherty—yes.

Ms. Garvine read Ordinance 49-15: An Ordinance To Provide For An Advance For The Purpose Of Providing Funds To The Fiber Network Study Fund And To Declare An Emergency. Mr. Davisson discussed the Obetz fiber utility. Mayor Scott called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 49-15. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mrs. Wiley. Voting as follows: Mrs. Crabtree—yes; Mrs. Kirk—yes; Mrs. Wiley—yes; Mr. Wiley—yes; Mr. Richardson—yes; Mr. Flaherty—yes. Mayor Scott called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 49-15. Motion made by Mr. Wiley; seconded by Mr. Richardson. Voting as follows: Mrs. Crabtree—yes; Mrs. Kirk—yes; Mrs. Wiley—yes; Mr. Wiley—yes; Mr. Richardson—yes; Mr. Flaherty—yes.

Ms. Garvine read Ordinance 50-15: An Ordinance Authorizing The Director Of Finance To Make Payment On A Contract With Fifth-Third Securities, And Declaring An Emergency. Mr. Davisson discussed separating the bank cost from the note transaction. Mayor Scott called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 50-15. Motion made by Mrs. Wiley; seconded by Mr. Wiley. Voting as follows: Mrs. Crabtree—yes; Mrs. Kirk—yes; Mrs. Wiley—yes; Mr. Wiley—yes; Mr. Richardson—yes; Mr. Flaherty—yes. Mayor Scott called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 50-15. Motion made by Mrs. Wiley; seconded by Mr. Wiley. Voting as follows: Mrs. Crabtree—yes; Mrs. Kirk—yes; Mrs. Wiley—yes; Mr. Richardson—yes; Mr. Flaherty—yes.

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Ms. Garvine read Ordinance 51-15: An Ordinance Amending Sections 1361.04, 1361.05, And 1361.13 Of The Codified Ordinances And Adding Section 1361.99 To The Codified Ordinances, And Declaring An

Emergency. Mr. Davisson stated this Ordinance is regarding our code enforcement program and suggested it be tabled. Mayor Scott called for a motion to table Ordinance 51-15. Motion made by Mrs. Wiley; seconded by Mr. Flaherty. Voting as follows: Mrs. Crabtree—yes; Mrs. Kirk—yes; Mrs. Wiley—yes; Mr. Wiley—yes; Mr. Richardson—yes; Mr. Flaherty—yes.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Wiley discussed the Whiskers Car Show and its success. They had about 50 cars with a good turn out and have cash set aside for pets to be spayed and neutered. They are in need of a new veterinarian because their current vet has retired.

VILLAGE OFFICIALS' REPORTS

Mayor Scott—Mayor Scott discussed the following: (1) towing zone signs; (2) the sod at Nichol's towing; (3) employee time clocks; (4) Boss excavating starting with a path around the baseball diamonds; (5) Dixon Quarry walking paths and Dixon Quarry grand opening; (6) Claypool Electric working on electric for Z-fest; (7) water meter installation; (8) painting of underpass on Groveport Road; (9) arranging for mosquito spraying; (10) Rockford Homes to repair ponds at Butler Farms; (11) congrats to Officer Ryan DeBolt on birth of daughter; (12) Football Camp; (13) Summer Splash and Cinema; and, (14) bread baking for Z-fest. Mr. Richardson had questions regarding the designated smoking areas at the Splash Pad.

Eve Ellinger, Esq., Law Director—Ms. Ellinger gave an update on the Obetz Jobs Program. She stated that they are having difficulty tracking when people are placed in jobs, so they are sending out surveys to employers to try to obtain information regarding this before the next Council meeting.

Michael Confer, Police Chief—Chief Confer stated that in the last two weeks the Village has had 696 calls; 26 speeding tickets; 7 parking tickets, and 9 misdemeanor arrests.

Hamilton Township Fire Department—Chief Schillenberg thanked the Village of Obetz for the training houses.

E. Rod Davisson, Esq., Administrator/Economic Development Director—Mr. Davisson discussed tax abatements and distributed a handout regarding the same. Mr. Jerry Benson had questions that Mr. Davisson answered. Kay Peters made a comment regarding economic development and business owners having such a positive experience with the Village of Obetz.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Wiley suggested that we set aside a budget not to exceed \$100,000.00, so that if a property on Maureen comes up for sale the Village will have money to purchase the properties.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Scott called for a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss economic development. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Flaherty. Voting as follows: Mrs. Crabtree—yes; Mrs. Kirk—yes; Mrs. Wiley—yes; Mr. Richardson—yes; Mr. Flaherty—yes. Council went into Executive Session at 7:23PM. Council returned from Executive Session at 7:56PM with all six members present.

REMARKS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Jim Niemann expressed a concern regarding the trees along Groveport Road by the cemetery and the trees near Irwin and Victor Avenues. Mr. Davisson stated it is the property owners' responsibility to trim them, but it is not happening, so the Village is going to trim them this summer. Mr. Niemann also expressed concerns about the storm drain grate that is missing at the end of Irwin Avenue. Mr. Davisson stated that he would send someone over to fix it.

Jerry Benson thanked the Council for the trash can that was placed at Mulberry Grove. He stated that he had one citizen say that when he voted at the primary, the gate was shut at Chillicothe Street. They would like to see that open the next time. He further stated that residents had complaints regarding the Splash Pad. Mr. Wiley asked Mr. Benson what he would like to do. Mr. Davisson suggested that we have a Council Committee Meeting to develop a plan for the Splash Pad. Mr. Benson stated it would be an ideal thing to have a committee.

Mr. Davisson and Mrs. Kirk stated that there would be a Council Committee Meeting scheduled for next Monday at 6:00 PM.

Pam Scott stated that there would be a Blood Drive at the Obetz Community Center on July 17th from 12:00 PM to 6:00 PM. Mrs. Scott also stated that registration is available for Obetz' Summer Camp for ages 6 through 11 being held from July 8th through July 30th at the Obetz Community Center.

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 7:56 PM.

Mayor D. Greg Scott

Stacey Boumis, Clerk