

**VILLAGE OF OBETZ
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**



REGULAR MEETING OF AUGUST 10, 2015

The Obetz Village Council met in regular session on August 10th, 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, Stacie Garvine, Assistant Clerk of Council, and Stacey Boumis, Community Services Director/Clerk of Council.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Scott called for a motion to approve the minutes of the July 20th, 2015 Recreation and Health Committee meeting. 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. The minutes of the July 20th, 2015 Recreation and Health Committee meeting were approved.

Mayor Scott called for a motion to approve the minutes of the July 27th, 2015 Council meeting. 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. The minutes of the July 27th, 2015 meeting were approved.

ORDINANCES

FIRST READINGS

No first readings.

SECOND READINGS

Ms. Garvine read Ordinance 52-15: An Ordinance To Modify Section 939.05 Of The Codified Ordinances Related To Utility Billings And Payment And Declaring An Emergency. Mr. Davisson discussed Ordinance 52-15. He stated that the Ordinance changes the amount of time a bill may be past due before the account gets turned off. For commercial accounts, the date will be changed to 30 days past the time the bill is due; for residential accounts the date will be changed to 90 days.

THIRD READINGS

No third readings.

EMERGENCIES

Ms. Garvine read Ordinance 53-15: An Ordinance Authorizing The Director Of Finance To Make Payment On A Contract With Creative Cuts Lawncare & Design LLC, And Declaring An Emergency. Mr. Davisson discussed the Ordinance. He stated that Creative Cuts Lawncare & Design LLC provides

mowing services for distressed properties. The Ordinance is a "Then and Now" because Creative Cuts started mowing prior to finalizing a contract. The fees for mowing services gets assessed to the property tax bill as a lien. Mayor Scott called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 53-15. 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. Mayor Scott called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 53-15. Motion made by Mrs. Wiley; seconded by Mrs. Crabtree. Voting as follows: Mr. Wiley—yes; Mr. Richardson—yes; Mr. Flaherty—yes; Mrs. Crabtree—yes; Mrs. Kirk—yes; Mrs. Wiley—yes.

TABLED

No tabled ordinances.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

No reports.

VILLAGE OFFICIALS' REPORTS

Mayor Scott—Mayor Scott stated that the August 24th Council meeting has been moved to August 17th. The work on the railroad underpass is nearly complete. The Dixon Quarry dedication will be September 4th at 4:00 PM at the shelter house in that park. The Mayor received an email from a resident giving nothing but praise to the Police Department. He stated that he was proud of the work they were doing. Mayor Scott further stated that the ZucchiniFest starts August 27th.

A resident stated that he is concerned that there is only one entrance into the Mulberry Grove subdivision. Mr. Davisson stated that money will be allocated in the 2016 budget to begin planning a second entrance.

Tim Mershon, a resident living on Pelham Place, stated that the basketball courts at the apartment building are a problem. The courts are loud and people are playing at all hours of the night. He wants the balls kept out of his backyard. Mr. Davisson stated that the courts belong to the apartment complex but that the Village is working on a deal with the complex owners to get control of the courts as well as the street leading up to the complex.

Eve Ellinger, Esq., Law Director—Ms. Ellinger stated that there are 17 participating employers in the Obetz Jobs Program. Approximately 55 people have been placed. There are currently 40 open positions and a total of approximately 150 job openings.

Michael Confer, Police Chief—Chief Confer thanked Council for allocating money for the Police Department renovations. Since the last meeting, there have been 719 calls for service. During Pelotonia, approximately 8,000 bicyclists came through Obetz.

Hamilton Township Fire Department – Chief Shillingburg shared a copy of an emergency card with Council. He stated that the Fire Department is going to begin handing them out in the community so if they are ever dispatched to a home they will have the information they need immediately. Mr. Davisson stated that the Village can put a copy of the card online for residents to access.

E. Rod Davisson, Esq., Administrator/Economic Development Director—Mr. Davisson stated that there is a tremendous amount of work being done. He discussed the Village's current projects including Dixon Quarry. Mr. Davisson stated that he would like to get the Utility Committee started after ZucchiniFest. Installation of the new water meters will begin shortly. Street trees will also get pruned after ZucchiniFest.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

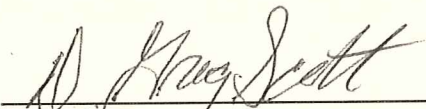
Mrs. Kirk stated that the Hamilton Local School District is hiring bus drivers for the 2015/2016 school year.

REMARKS FROM THE AUDIENCE

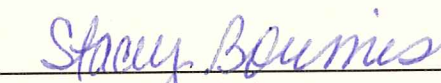
Mr. Benson stated that a resident in Fairchild Estates had many positive things to say about the Police Department. He further stated that a resident on Bridlewood Court expressed concerns over on-street parking.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Scott called for a motion to adjourn. Motion made by Mrs. Kirk; seconded by Mrs. Crabtree. All ayes. Motion carried. Council adjourned at 6:27 PM.



Mayor D. Greg Scott



Stacey Boumis, Clerk