

VILLAGE OF OBETZ RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 26, 2015

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Scott called for a motion to approve the minutes of the October 13th, 2015 Council meeting. 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. The minutes of the October 13th, 2015 meeting were approved.

ORDINANCES

FIRST READINGS

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 72-15: An Ordinance To Amend Chapter 181 Of The Codified Ordinances Of Village Of Obetz Regarding Municipal Income Tax.

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 73-15: An Ordinance To Accept The Annexation Of A 5.0 Acre, More Or Less, Tract From Hamilton Township To The Village Of Obetz And Amending The Zoning Map To Planned Industrial District.

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 75-15: An Ordinance Adopting Obetz Code Section 521.15 To Create A Pest Management Control Program Grant And Declaring An Emergency.

SECOND READINGS

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 67-15: An Ordinance To Accept The Amounts And Rates As Determined By The Budget Commission And Authorizing The Necessary Tax Levies And Certifying Them To The County Auditor And Declaring An Emergency. Mr. Davisson discussed Ordinance 67-15. He stated that in order for the Village to collect its 1.7 mils of property tax, the amount has to be certified to the County auditor. This is a yearly process the Village must go through with the County. Mayor Scott called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 67-15. Motion made by Mrs. Crabtree; 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 67-15. Motion made by Mr. Flaherty; seconded by Mr. Wiley. 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. Boumis read Ordinance 74-15: An Ordinance Authorizing The Mayor To Execute Necessary Conveyance Documentation To Acquire Approximately 1.23 Acres, More Or Less, Fee Simple Interest From Richard L. Freeman And Declaring An Emergency. Mr. Davisson discussed the property. He stated that the house would be torn down. The accessory buildings would be used by the Village. Some of the tools at the property would remain. The property owner wants sixty days to move out. Funds to purchase the property would come out of the capital budget. Council and Mayor Scott discussed the purchase. Mr. Flaherty inquired about the Fire Department burning down the house for training. Mayor Scott called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 74-15. Motion made by Mr. Flaherty; seconded by Mr. Wiley. Voting as follows: Mr. Wiley—yes; Mrs. Crabtree—yes; Mrs. Kirk—yes; Mrs. Wiley—yes. Mayor Scott called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 74-15. Motion made by Mr. Flaherty; seconded by Mr. Wiley. Voting as follows: Mr. Wiley—yes; Mrs. Kirk—yes; Mrs. Crabtree—yes; Mrs. Kirk—yes; Mrs. Crabtree—yes; Mrs. Kirk—yes; Mrs. Crabtree—yes; Mrs. Kirk—yes; Mrs. Wiley—yes.

TABLED

No tabled ordinances.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Recreation and Health—Mrs. Kirk stated that football playoffs begin this weekend. Fall bocce ball is over and Team Hinkle was the champions. The pond at Dixon Quarry has been stocked with trout; the basketball courts at the Community Center are completed; and the Big Walnut Community Improvement Corporation is the organization that purchased the black jerseys for the high school football team.

VILLAGE OFFICIALS' REPORTS

Mayor Scott—Mayor Scott thanked those that attended the Mayor's Breakfast on Friday. He further stated that the Mayor's Golf Outing raise \$3301.36 for the Obetz Food Pantry. Trunk or Treat is scheduled for Friday at Dixon Quarry. April Hankinson is leaving the Village. Tim Ross is taking her position. The Village has received the State Award of Distinction from the State Auditor. Obetz is the only Village in Ohio that received this award.

Eve Ellinger, Esq., Law Director—Ms. Ellinger stated that there are a lot of seasonal postings on the Obetz Jobs website.

Michael Confer, Police Chief—Chief Confer stated that there have been 725 calls for service since the last meeting. The Block Watch potluck is Wednesday. Beggar's Night is from 5:30 to 7:00 PM on the 29th and Hamilton Township High School has a home football game that same night.

Hamilton Township Fire Department—Chief Shillingburg complimented the Village on the Dixon Quarry Shelter House. He stated that the Department's spaghetti dinner is on November 5th.

E. Rod Davisson, Administrator—Mr. Davisson stated that paving bids have been received. He reviewed the areas that were being paved. He stated that Strawser Paving was the lowest bidder and he recommended proceeding with a contract with Strawser Paving.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

REMARKS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Tammy McFarland and the resident living at 2340 Maureen Boulevard South addressed Council (name not provided; she was speaking from the audience and not at the podium). Ms. McFarland thanked the Administrator for his assistance with 2333 Maureen Boulevard North. She stated that she continues to see a roach infestation at her surrounding properties. She asked Council to help her recoup her costs for treating the properties. The other individual also asked for help in recouping her costs of treating her property. Ms. McFarland stated that the site still needs professionally treated.

Mayor Scott stated that individuals need to be more diligent helping neighbors. Mr. Davisson stated that the trailer at 2333 Maureen Boulevard North has been removed. The short term focus is to continue to clean up Maureen Boulevard and address the boarded up houses.

Jerry Benson stated that he likes the basketball courts at the Community Center Park. He asked if the gate at the Community Center could be open on Election Day.

Mr. Flaherty stated that the street bumps throughout the Village need painted before winter.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Scott called for a motion to adjourn. Motion made by Mrs. Wiley; seconded by Mrs. Kirk. All ayes. Motion carried. Council adjourned at 6:40 PM.

Mayor D. Greg Scott

Stacey Boumis, Clerk