

**VILLAGE OF OBETZ  
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**



**REGULAR MEETING OF NOVEMBER 9, 2015**

The Obetz Village Council met in regular session on November 9, 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 26<sup>th</sup>, 2015 Council meeting. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; 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. The minutes of the October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2015 meeting were approved.

**PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

Tim Kraft from the Auditor of State's Office was present and presented the Village with an Auditor of State Award with Distinction. Obetz is the only Village in the State of Ohio that completed a Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

**ORDINANCES**

**FIRST READINGS**

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 77-15: An Ordinance Authorizing The Mayor To Distribute A One-Time Bonus To All Current Village Employees And Declaring An Emergency.

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 78-15: An Ordinance To Establish December 24, 2015 And December 31, 2015 As Holidays For Obetz Employees And Declaring An Emergency.

**SECOND 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. Mr. Davisson stated that the State of Ohio has changed how municipal income tax codes work. He described the changes in State law. He stated that most changes benefit corporations.

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.

### **THIRD READINGS**

No third readings.

### **EMERGENCIES**

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 76-15: An Ordinance Canceling The Regularly Scheduled Council Meetings Of November 23, 2015 And December 28, 2015 And Declaring An Emergency. No discussion. Mayor Scott called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 76-15. Motion made by Mr. Wiley; seconded by Mrs. Kirk. 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 76-15. Motion made by Mr. Wiley; seconded by Mrs. Wiley. Voting as follows: Mr. Wiley—yes; Mr. Richardson—yes; Mr. Flaherty—yes; Mrs. Crabtree—yes; Mrs. Kirk—yes; Mrs. Wiley—yes.

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 79-15: An Ordinance To Provide For An Advance For The Purpose Of Providing Operating Funds To The Refuse Fund And Declaring An Emergency. Mr. Davisson stated the Refuse Fund is an enterprise fund and the Village has been supplementing it. This affects the Village's credit rating. Enterprise funds cannot operate at a deficit. Mayor Scott called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 79-15. Motion made by Mr. Flaherty; 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. Mayor Scott called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 79-15. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; 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.

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 80-15: 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 the ordinance. He stated that the Village pays sewer capacity fees to the City of Columbus based on the amount of construction during the year. This year construction was steady. Mayor Scott called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 80-15. Motion made by Mr. Flaherty; 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 80-15. Motion made by Mrs. Wiley; 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.

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 81-15: An Ordinance To Approve Additional 2015 Appropriations For The Current Expenses And Other Expenditures Of The Village Of Obetz. Mr. Davisson discussed the ordinance. He stated that he would like to pave additional streets this year given the good weather. He also stated that the refuse fund needed increased. Mayor Scott called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 81-15. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; 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. Mayor Scott called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 81-15. 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.

#### **TABLED**

No tabled ordinances.

#### **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

*Recreation and Health*—Mrs. Kirk presented the Village with a \$50 donation from Christine Sisko to the Obetz Food Pantry.

#### **VILLAGE OFFICIALS' REPORTS**

*Mayor Scott*—Mayor Scott stated that he was amazed at how many people participated in the Halloween Party this year. The basketball courts at the Community Center are getting used; however, staff needs to ensure that those are locked at night. Catch and Release signs should be getting installed shortly at Dixon Quarry.

*Michael Confer, Police Chief*—Chief Confer reviewed calls for service statistics.

*Hamilton Township Fire Department*—Chief Shillingburg stated that there were 71 EMS runs and 26 fire runs in September/October.

*E. Rod Davisson, Administrator*—Mr. Davisson stated that he would like to create a registry of veterans in Obetz and have a Veterans Day event next year. He also stated that a resident has requested an ordinance to allow golf carts to be driven on Village streets. Council discussed this idea. They were not opposed to it and directed Mr. Davisson to draft an ordinance to allow this. Council and Mr. Davisson discussed ice rink staffing. Mrs. Kirk stated that the attendant has to be an adult. Mayor Scott stated that he does not like kids sitting around texting. Council stated that they want the ice rink fully staffed. Every resident should be free and allowed two guests. Non-residents would be charged \$2 per person per day to use the facility. Residents will get key tags to obtain access.

Mr. Davisson discussed the garbage and refuse hauling prices that were submitted to the Village. Waste Management was the lowest bidder. He recommended entering into a contract with Waste Management. He also discussed the Refuse Fund. Mr. Davisson reminded Council to submit their names for the Water Commission.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

None.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**


Mr. Flaherty inquired about who was responsible for maintaining sidewalks and curbs. Mr. Davisson stated that residents are responsible for the maintenance of both. Mr. Davisson further stated that a sidewalk and curb replacement program was needed.


**REMARKS FROM THE AUDIENCE**

Rick Moore stated that Boy Scout Troop 526 retires flags and will assist the Village if needed.

**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 7:15 PM.

  
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Mayor D. Greg Scott

  
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Stacey Boumis, Clerk