VILLAGE OF OBETZ RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS



REGULAR MEETING OF APRIL 11, 2016

The Obetz Village Council met in regular session on April 11, 2016 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; Stephen J. Smith, Law Director; Michael Confer, Police Chief, and Stacey Boumis, Community Services Director/Clerk of Council.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Scott called for a motion to approve the minutes of the April 11th Council meeting. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; 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. minutes were approved.

ORDINANCES

FIRST READINGS

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 34-16: An Ordinance Amending Section 305.05 Of The Village Of Obetz Codified Ordinances Titled "Parking Restrictions". Mayor Scott, Council, and Mr. Davisson discussed the Ordinance. Mr. Davisson asked the elected officials for their opinion regarding the no parking area. Council members felt that the no parking area for Bridlewood Boulevard could be reduced slightly. Mr. Davisson stated that the Ordinance would be updated to reflect that feedback.

SECOND READINGS

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 26-16: An Ordinance Approving The Final Plat For The Dedication Of Gateway Court And Global Court And Declaring An Emergency. Mayor Scott stated that the Planning and Zoning Commission is reviewing the final plat at its April meeting. There will be discussion at the third reading.

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 27-16: An Ordinance Authorizing The Mayor To Execute Necessary Conveyance Documentation To Acquire Approximately 0.18 Acres, More Or Less, Fee Simple Interest In The Property Located At 2216 North Maureen Boulevard. Mr. Smith stated that the Village will be paying what the Big Walnut Area Community Improvement Corporation paid for the property. Mr. Davisson stated that he wanted the Village to own and control the property.

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 28-16: An Ordinance Amending Section 509.10 Of The Village Of Obetz Codified Ordinances Titled "Disturbing The Peace". Mr. Davisson discussed the Ordinance. Most other sections of the Codified Ordinances contain an enhancer that increases the penalties for subsequent violations of the same code. This section does not have an enhancer. The Village Prosecutor requested that this section be modified to add it. Recently there was a case in Mayor's Court regarding a rooster making noise. The owner of the rooster was charged with disturbing the peace. This case brought to the Village's attention the lack of an enhancement clause. Council and Mr. Davisson discussed this issue. Mrs. Kirk asked how often this section of the code had been enforced. Mr. Davisson stated that this code section is rarely used.

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 30-16: An Ordinance Authorizing The Village To Enter Into An Agreement With The Big Walnut Area Community Improvement Corporation To Administer The Village's Beautification Grant Program. Mayor Scott stated that the agreement will be ready for the third reading.

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 31-16: An Ordinance To Accept The Donation Of Approximately 34.58 Acres And To Thank The Pizzuti Companies For Their Generous Donation. Mr. Davisson stated that the paperwork is still being prepared.

THIRD READINGS

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 23-16: An Ordinance Accepting The Dedication Of Reserve B, Also Known As Parcel 153-000679, Of The Elks Acres Subdivision For Public Use. Mr. Smith stated that this parcel was not platted correctly but the issue has been resolved with the County Auditor and now the Village can take possession of the property. Mayor Scott called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 23-16. Motion made by Mrs. Crabtree; 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.

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 24-16: An Ordinance Approving The Recodification, Editing And Inclusion Of Certain Ordinances As Parts Of The Various Component Codes Of The Codified Ordinances Of Obetz And Declaring An Emergency. Mr. Davisson stated that this occurs yearly. Mayor Scott called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 24-16. Motion made by Mrs. Crabtree; 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.

EMERGENCIES

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 33-16: An Ordinance Authorizing The Director Of Finance To Make Payment On A Contract With Franklin County Emergency Management Association, And Declaring An Emergency. Mr. Davisson stated that this is a yearly contract. Mayor Scott called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 33-16. 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. Mayor Scott called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 33-16. 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.

TABLED

No tabled ordinances.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Recreation and Health - Mrs. Kirk stated that there will be a catfish tournament at the Obetz ponds April 15 through 17. The tournament is sponsored by Mike Morbitzer and the funds will be donated to Race for the Cure. The first Pro Rugby game is May 1st. There will be free archery lessons hosted by Vance Outdoors in June and July; preregistration is required.

VILLAGE OFFICIALS' REPORTS

Mayor Scott—Mayor Scott stated that he attended an economic development conference last week with Rod Davisson, Mike Corbitt, and Stacie Garvine. He further stated that the indoor golf league is winding down. He also stated that there is a Planning and Zoning Commission meeting Wednesday.

A resident addressed Council. She stated that there are parking issues on Poplar Street. She asked that the parking ban be removed. Her neighbor his blocking her driveway and mailbox. Mr. Davisson stated that the parking ban was based on the Engineer's recommendation.

Michael Confer, Police Chief—No report.

Hamilton Township Fire Department—Chief Shillingburg stated that there were 47 EMS runs in March and 31 fire runs. The annual flower sale is May 5th through 9th.

Stacey Boumis, Community Services Director – No report.

E. Rod Davisson, Administrator-Mr. Davisson had a Powerpoint presentation. The first half focused on redevelopment plans for the municipal parks. All of the parks that have playground equipment will be getting new equipment. Walking paths will be installed in most parks and parking will be added to Bridlewood Park. Signage and landscaping will be added to the parks as well. Everything still needs priced out. Mrs. Wiley stated that she wants art in the parks. Mr. Flaherty stated that the Village should consider hiring a park ranger. Mr. Davisson stated that Council should consider changing the names of the different parks. The park names should have a theme.

The second part of his presentation focused on economic development. He shared the same presentation he has given to newly elected Council members across the state through the Ohio Municipal League.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

A resident living in Mulberry Grove addressed Council. He stated that his property is adjacent to Best Self Storage. There is a lot of trash on the other side of the storage company's fence. It is mostly construction debris and trash. Mayor Scott stated that he would send Lenny Lewis over to take a look.

REMARKS FROM THE AUDIENCE

No remarks.

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 7:40 PM.