

VILLAGE OF OBETZ
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS



REGULAR MEETING OF MARCH 14, 2016

The Obetz Village Council met in regular session on March 14, 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 February 22nd Council meeting. 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. The minutes were approved.

ORDINANCES

FIRST 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.

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.

SECOND READINGS

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 15-16: An Ordinance Approving The Village Of Obetz Annual Conversion Plan Which Allows Employees To Convert Vacation And Sick Time To Cash In Accordance With The Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS) Specifications. Mr. Davisson discussed Ordinance 15-16.

THIRD READINGS

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 13-16: An Ordinance Authorizing The Mayor To Execute An Agreement With Frost Brown Todd To Provide Legal Services For The Village Of Obetz. Mr. Davisson discussed Ordinance 13-16. He stated that Frost Brown Todd will be paid under a monthly retainer. He further stated that Frost Brown Todd was assisting Eve on matters before she left and that he has been very pleased with their services. Mayor Scott called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 13-16. 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.

EMERGENCIES

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 19-16: An Ordinance Authorizing The Director Of Finance To Make Payment On A Contract With InnoSource, And Declaring An Emergency. Mr. Davisson stated that Innosource has been Obetz' partner in the Obetz Jobs program. Mr. Brad Hyslop with Innosource was present and provided an update to Council. She stated that twenty-six (26) employers participate in the program. Last year there were sixty-seven (67) Obetz residents who received jobs as a result of the program. Two new employers have already been brought on-board this year. The employers are very pleased with the program. This year there will be more marketing and more events. Mr. Davisson stated that the program is a wild success. Mayor Scott called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 19-16. 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 19-16. 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.

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 20-16: An Ordinance Authorizing The Director Of Finance To Make Payment On A Contract With The Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission, And Declaring An Emergency. Mr. Davisson discussed Ordinance 20-16. He stated that this is to pay the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission's administration fee for the Frusta Drive grant. Mayor Scott called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 20-16. 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. Mayor Scott called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 20-16. 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.

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 21-16: An Ordinance To Approve Additional 2016 Appropriations For The Current Expenses And Other Expenditures Of The Village Of Obetz. Mr. Davisson discussed Ordinance 21-16. He stated that the appropriations will be used to pay the Police Department's portion of the fiber costs; to extend the part time work of Alex Perez; the extend Innosource's contract; the pay the Administration's portion of the fiber costs; to pay the Hamilton Township School District as a part of the income tax sharing agreement; and to move Mike Corbitt and Brenna Kraszy's salary to the General Fund. Mayor Scott called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 21-16. 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 21-16. 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 22-16: An Ordinance Awarding A Contract To Quality Improvements LLC And Declaring An Emergency. Mr. Davisson discussed the process the Village used to solicit bids. He stated that four companies were given the opportunity to submit bids. Quality Improvements LLC was the only bidder. He stated that the other companies were contacted to determine why bids were not submitted. Council was provided with a copy of the email from Brickman explaining why they did not

submit a bid. Klamfoth Inc. stated that they did not have time to prepare a bid. They were too busy. Scioto Landscaping never returned the Village's phone call. The contract is a unit price contract. The bid submitted by Quality Improvements LLC was for \$129,119. This is \$20,000 less than last year's contract and more land has been added. Mayor Scott called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 22-16. 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. Mayor Scott called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 22-16. 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.

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 25-16: An Ordinance Authorizing The Village Administrator To Enter Into A Public/Private Partnership Agreement With InnoSource, Inc. To Operate The Obetz Jobs Program And Provide Other Related Professional Services And To Declare An Emergency. Mr. Davisson stated that this is to pay InnoSource's invoice for work completed prior to Council's approval of the contract. He further stated that the program is wildly successful. Mayor Scott called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 25-16. 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. Mayor Scott called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 25-16. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; 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.

TABLED

No tabled ordinances.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Recreation and Health – Mrs. Kirk stated that baseball and softball sign-ups are still underway.

VILLAGE OFFICIALS' REPORTS

Mayor Scott—Mayor Scott stated that on Friday he met with Buffalo Wings and Rings to discuss sites. The meeting went well. He further stated that Council needs to decide what to do this year at the racetrack. He further stated that money should be allocated to its redevelopment. This year the fishing pier at Dixon Quarry will be constructed. He asked Council to review the draft rules for Dixon Quarry. They will be discussed at the next meeting and the rules will need to be finalized then. In June the letters will be installed over I-270.

Michael Confer, Police Chief—Chief Confer stated that there were 659 calls for service since the last Council meeting.

Hamilton Township Fire Department—Chief Shillingburg was not available.

Stacey Boumis, Community Services Director – Ms. Boumis stated that there are a lot of things happening with the Planning and Zoning Commission. At the March meeting the Commission reviewed the preliminary development plan for Pizzuti's new building in Creekside. The Commission also reviewed updated landscaping standards and the proposed street tree policy for the Village.

E. Rod Davisson, Administrator—Mr. Davisson stated that he is discussing the donation of land from Pizzuti. This land is adjacent to Big Walnut Creek. The land is north of Bixby Road. He discussed the school district transfer and the process to date. The effort is citizen led and 365 residents signed the petition to change school district boundaries. He shared the letter that he wrote regarding the Village's support of the transfer. Council members were in favor of the transfer. Mr. Davisson stated that he is in discussions with the Vance family to develop the Buffalo Wings and Rings on the Vance's outlot. Mr. Davisson discussed the rugby franchise. He stated that once the Village received the loan funds, the Village will have 18 months to spend the money. The projects need to be spelled out in the loan application.

Mr. Davisson stated that there is another insect treatment claim that has been submitted. It is for Loretta Skorn. He asked Council to reimburse the property owner for the insect treatment. Mr. Flaherty moved to reimburse Loretta Skorn's moral obligation claim; 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.

Mr. Davisson stated that JR Valentine's has signed an agreement to allow the Village to demolish the building. In exchange, JR Valentine's will be removing the old sign face and repainting the sign poles.

Mr. Davisson discussed the Village's beautification grant program. He requested that Council increase program funding to \$50,000 a year in order to help more businesses. He stated that he wants businesses to provide a match. Mayor Scott recommended a 25 percent match. The program will be administered through the BWACIC. Mrs. Wiley stated that she wants to be involved in who gets grants. She wants to see the income of the businesses getting grants. She wants to know how this benefits Obetz. She would like to see a copy of the net worth of the business. Mr. Davisson stated that he wants the authority to waive the 25% match.

Mr. Davisson stated that he has received a drainage complaint. A property owner adjacent to the sound wall is claiming that the wall is blocking drainage. He further stated that Mike Corbitt is investigating the issue.

Mr. Davisson stated that a mother and child were hit by a car on Trotter Drive today. The mother and child were crossing at an unmarked crosswalk and had the right of way. There have been a lot of issues recently regarding vehicles blocking sidewalks; enforcement on speed; and parking issues. The Village's approach to resolving these issues will be a combination of education and enforcement.

Mr. Davisson stated that the Village will be demolishing several buildings this year as a part of one contract. These buildings include Ruby Hill, JR Valentine's, and the structures at the former Riffle's Garage.

The Village has been receiving complaints regarding loose gravel on Rathmell Road. The loose gravel is from the quarry operation. The Village will continually monitor both quarries to ensure that the streets are swept. The Police Department can issue citations to truck drivers who carry loose debris onto the public roadway.

Mrs. Crabtree inquired about the citizen's utility commission. Mr. Davisson stated that the commission would begin meeting in mid-April. It will meet twice a month for several months.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

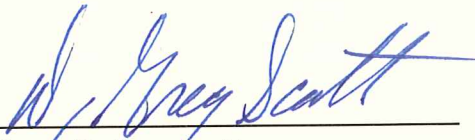
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REMARKS FROM THE AUDIENCE

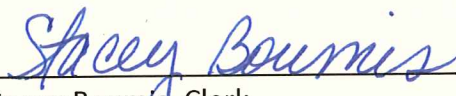
A resident on Sandridge Street stated that her whole street is lined with trash and cigarettes. There are also basketball hoops in the road and loose dogs. People are not cleaning up after their pets.

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 7:20 PM.



Mayor D. Greg Scott



Stacey Boumis, Clerk