

**VILLAGE OF OBETZ
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**



REGULAR MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 25, 2017

The Obetz Village Council met in regular session on September 25, 2017 at 6:00 PM at the Obetz Government Center located at 4175 Alum Creek Drive with Mayor D. Greg Scott presiding.

ROLL CALL

Ms. Boumis called the roll with all six members of Council present: Mrs. Bonnie Wiley, Mr. James Wiley, Mr. Michael Flaherty, Mr. Guiles Richardson, Mrs. Louise Crabtree, and Mrs. Angela Kirk. Also present were Mayor D. Greg Scott; Michael Confer, Police Chief; Stephen J. Smith, Jr. Esq., Law Director, Stacey Boumis, Community Services Director, and E. Rod Davisson, Administrator.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Scott called for a motion to approve the minutes of the September 11, 2017 meeting. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mrs. Crabtree. Voting as follows: Mrs. Kirk—yes; Mrs. Wiley—yes; Mr. Wiley—yes; Mrs. Crabtree – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes.

PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Mary Crall with the Ohio Treasurer’s Office addressed Council. She discussed Ohio Checkbook – a program designed by the State of Ohio to publish public records related to expenditures on-line. She said the program is voluntary. The website where the records can be viewed is www.ohiocheckbook.com. She stated that this is a way for people to see how tax money is spent. Mr. Davisson stated that the Village is transitioning to a different accounting system. In addition, he would need to evaluate the time commitment to the staff in order to manage this program. Mayor Scott stated that the CAFR contains information regarding Village expenditures. Mayor Scott, Council, and Mr. Davisson discussed Ohio Checkbook. Mr. Davisson stated that the danger of using a system like this is misinterpretation. He wants to make sure the information is presented fairly. Mr. Davisson instructed Ms. Crall to contact the Village next year to determine their interest.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Scott called for a motion to modify the agenda to discuss the Mulberry Grove Homeowners’ Association (Mulberry Grove HOA) before other agenda items. Motion made by Mrs. Kirk; seconded by Mr. Richardson. No roll call vote taken; verbal vote only. All ayes.

Mulberry Grove HOA Discussion

Mr. Davisson gave a presentation on the Mulberry Grove HOA and the deed restrictions for the subdivision. He stated that the Village will not be enforcing the Mulberry Grove deed restrictions. He further stated that the Mulberry Grove HOA will not be turned over to the residents until the final lot is sold, according to Terry Poling with Fritsche Homes. Mr. Poling is currently controlling the Mulberry Grove HOA. Residents in attendance discussed the Mulberry Grove HOA with Mr. Davisson, Mayor Scott, and Council. Mr. Davisson stated that any owner can enforce the rules of the Mulberry Grove HOA. According to the deed restrictions, Mr. Poling can change the rules of the Mulberry Grove HOA.

anytime he wants. Mr. Davisson stated that Mr. Poling has agreed to appoint a three member design review board to review the Mulberry Grove HOA deed restrictions. Anyone interested in serving on it should email their information to Mr. Poling.

ORDINANCES

FIRST READINGS

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 44 – 17: An Ordinance To Remove Section 1361.06(O) Of The Codified Ordinances Related To The Condemnation Reversal Permit.

SECOND READINGS

No second readings.

THIRD READINGS

No third readings.

EMERGENCIES

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 41 – 17: An Ordinance Authorizing The Director Of Finance To Make Payment On A Contract With Horner Appraisal Group, Inc., And Declaring An Emergency. Mr. Davisson stated that this is to pay for the appraisal and survey of the Tata property. Mayor Scott called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 41 – 17. Motion made by Mr. Flaherty; seconded by Mr. Wiley. Voting as follows: Mrs. Kirk—yes; Mrs. Wiley—yes; Mr. Wiley—yes; Mrs. Crabtree – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes. Mayor Scott called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 41 – 17. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mrs. Kirk. Voting as follows: Mrs. Kirk—yes; Mrs. Wiley—yes; Mr. Wiley—yes; Mrs. Crabtree – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes.

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 42 – 17: An Ordinance Authorizing The Director Of Finance To Make Payment On A Contract With NPI Audio Visual Solutions, And Declaring An Emergency. Mr. Davisson stated that this was to cover production of the Hamilton Township/Groveport Madison High School football game. Mayor Scott called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 42 – 17. Motion made by Mrs. Wiley; seconded by Mr. Wiley. Voting as follows: Mrs. Kirk—yes; Mrs. Wiley—yes; Mr. Wiley—yes; Mrs. Crabtree – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes. Mayor Scott called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 42 – 17. Motion made by Mrs. Wiley; seconded by Mr. Wiley. Voting as follows: Mrs. Kirk—yes; Mrs. Wiley—yes; Mr. Wiley—yes; Mrs. Crabtree – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes.

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 43 – 17: 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 stated that the Village needs to accept the rates determined by the Budget Commission in order for the Village to collect inside property tax millage. The current rate is 1.7 mills. This rate has been the same for years. Mayor Scott called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 43 – 17. Motion made by Mrs. Wiley; seconded by Mrs. Crabtree. Voting as follows: Mrs. Kirk—yes; Mrs. Wiley—yes; Mr. Wiley—yes; Mrs. Crabtree – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes. Mayor Scott called for a motion to

adopt Ordinance 43 – 17. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mrs. Wiley. Voting as follows: Mrs. Kirk—yes; Mrs. Wiley—yes; Mr. Wiley—yes; Mrs. Crabtree – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes.

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 45 – 17: An Ordinance Authorizing The Director Of Finance To Make Payment On A Contract With Allied Sign Company, And Declaring An Emergency. Mayor Scott stated that this was for signage at the Fortress. Mayor Scott called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 45 – 17. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Wiley. Voting as follows: Mrs. Kirk—yes; Mrs. Wiley—yes; Mr. Wiley—yes; Mrs. Crabtree – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes. Mayor Scott called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 45 – 17. Motion made by Mrs. Wiley; seconded by Mr. Flaherty. Voting as follows: Mrs. Kirk—yes; Mrs. Wiley—yes; Mr. Wiley—yes; Mrs. Crabtree – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes.

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 46 – 17: An Ordinance Authorizing The Director Of Finance To Make Payment On A Contract With Missler’s Irrigation, And Declaring An Emergency. Mayor Scott stated that this was also for work done at the Fortress. Mayor Scott called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 46 – 17. Motion made by Mrs. Wiley; seconded by Mr. Flaherty. Voting as follows: Mrs. Kirk—yes; Mrs. Wiley—yes; Mr. Wiley—yes; Mrs. Crabtree – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes. Mayor Scott called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 46 – 17. Motion made by Mrs. Wiley; seconded by Mr. Wiley. Voting as follows: Mrs. Kirk—yes; Mrs. Wiley—yes; Mr. Wiley—yes; Mrs. Crabtree – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes.

TABLED

Ordinance 50-16: An Ordinance Adopting Chapter 925 Of The Codified Ordinances Related To Right Of Way Use remained tabled.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Recreation and Health – Mrs. Kirk stated that the football and cheerleading season has been going well. Everyone loves playing at the Fortress. On Saturday there was a softball tournament at our fields. The tournament was organized by a local resident. Last weekend Obetz hosted Ohio State University versus Notre Dame Rugby. The Parks and Recreation Department is creating a list of projects that need to occur. If anyone has a recommendation, let Ed know. On October 8th there will be an exhibition match at the Fortress between the Ohio Machine and Ohio State. The game starts at 1:00 PM.

VILLAGE OFFICIALS’ REPORTS

Mayor Scott – Mayor Scott stated that he would like to see the truck route legislation move forward. He wants to see a truck route established. He would also like signs installed along Groveport Road past Taco Bell. There are a lot of people that walk along Groveport Road and it isn’t safe.

Michael Confer, Police Chief — Chief Confer stated that since the last meeting there have been 572 calls for service. One semi-truck was issued a ticket.

Wade Edwards, Hamilton Township Fire Department – Captain Edwards stated that in August there were 82 EMS runs and 45 fire runs to Obetz.

Stacey Boumis, Community Services Director – Ms. Boumis asked Mayor Scott and Council when they would like to hold trick-or-treat. Mayor Scott stated that trick-or-treat should be the same night as the surrounding communities. Trick-or-treat was set for October 31st from 5:30 to 7:30 PM. Ms. Boumis further stated that the next Council meeting will be Tuesday, October 10th since the Village offices will be closed on October 9th in observance of Columbus Day.

Stephen J. Smith, Esq., Law Director – No report.

Rod Davisson, Administrator – Mr. Davisson stated that he is taking the month of October off. He will be speaking at a conference in Canada in mid-October. Mrs. Wiley stated that she has some information for Rod regarding parks. She further stated that she would like to see the programs for kids expanded.

OLD BUSINESS

No old business.

NEW BUSINESS

No additional new business.

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 7:15 PM.

Mayor D. Greg Scott

Stacey Boumis, Clerk of Council