

**VILLAGE OF OBETZ
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**



REGULAR MEETING OF APRIL 22, 2019

The Obetz Village Council met in regular session on April 22, 2019 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 Council members present. Mrs. Angie Kirk – present; Mr. Michael Flaherty – present; Mr. Robert Kramer – present; Mr. Guiles Richardson – present; Mr. James Wiley – present; Mrs. Bonnie Wiley – present. Also present were Michael Confer – Police Chief; Stacey Boumis – Community Services Director/Council Clerk; Stephen J. Smith, Esq., Law Director, and, E. Rod Davisson – Village Administrator.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Scott called for a motion to approve the minutes of the April 8, 2019 Council meeting. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Flaherty. Voting as follows: Mrs. Kirk – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Wiley – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes.

ORDINANCES

FIRST READINGS

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 13 – 19: An Ordinance To Approve And Authorize The Execution Of A Compensation Agreement With The Hamilton Local School District And A Community Reinvestment Area Agreement And To Declare An Emergency.

SECOND READINGS

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 11 – 19: An Ordinance To Add Chapter 377 Entitled “Golf Carts” To The Codified Ordinances Of The Village Of Obetz. Mr. Smith stated that Obetz has the authority under the Ohio Revised Code to allow low speed vehicles such as golf carts on public streets. There are tight restrictions imposed by the State of Ohio.

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 12 – 19: An Ordinance To Approve And Authorize The Village Administrator To Purchase Real Property From John W Warner And Richard L Warner Trust And Declaring An Emergency. Mr. Davisson stated that the property is 145 acres and is for sale for \$18,000 an acre. The land is in a strategic location and the Village needs to buy it in order to control it. Mayor Scott called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 12 – 19. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Flaherty. Voting as follows: Mrs. Kirk – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Wiley – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes. Mayor Scott called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 12 – 19. Motion made by Mr. Flaherty; seconded by Mrs. Wiley. Voting as follows: Mrs. Kirk – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Wiley – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes.

THIRD READINGS

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 07 – 19: 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 is done each year to the permanent laws of the Village. Mr. Davisson stated that this is taking the laws adopted by Council and putting them in a big book. Mayor Scott called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 07 – 19. Motion made by Mrs. Wiley; seconded by Mr. Flaherty. Voting as follows: Mrs. Kirk – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Wiley – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes.

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 08 – 19: An Ordinance Accepting the Dedication of Fortress Way As A Public Street And Declaring An Emergency. Mr. Davisson stated that this is the north/south road connecting Williams Road to Recreation Trail. Mr. Davisson stated that the road will connect Recreation Trail and Williams Road. Mayor Scott called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 08 – 19. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Flaherty. Voting as follows: Mrs. Kirk – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Wiley – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes.

EMERGENCIES

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 14 – 19: An Ordinance Creating The Department of _____, And Establishing The Position Of Director Of _____ And Declaring An Emergency. Mr. Davisson stated that he wants to hire Steven Adams to acquire and execute events at Fortress Obetz as well as run Obetz Jobs. Mr. Davisson further stated that he has not settled on a name but wants authority to move forward so Steven can start right away. The goal is to bring a diverse set of attractions to Fortress Obetz. Mayor Scott called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 14 – 19. Motion made by Mr. Flaherty; seconded by Mrs. Kirk. Voting as follows: Mrs. Kirk – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Wiley – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes. Mayor Scott called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 14 – 19. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mrs. Kirk. Voting as follows: Mrs. Kirk – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Wiley – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Flaherty – 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 spring clean-up is next month. Spring sports are starting soon.

VILLAGE OFFICIALS' REPORTS

Mayor D. Greg Scott – Mayor Scott stated that there were a little over 17,000 eggs at the Easter Egg Hunt and it was a great time. There were over 60 people at breakfast with the Easter Bunny. It was a great turnout for both events.

Michael Confer, Police Chief – Chief Confer stated that there have been 671 calls for service since the last meeting. The officers have been very busy. Officer Watson found marijuana in a vehicle during a routine traffic stop. Officers were called to the scene where a man came home and found a suicide note

from his wife. Officers located here and got her the help she needed. A gun was stolen on Sedan Avenue. Officer Rigby and Sergeant Ellison responded to a DOA. Detective Martin has 29 ongoing cases. Sergeant Gamblin is attending the police motorcycle class. Officer Watson is attending the Critical Incident Training class. Cameras have been set up on various parks to catch illegal dumpers.

Chief Ralph Shillingburg, Hamilton Township Fire Department – no questions for Chief Shillingburg.

Stacey Boumis, Community Services Director – No formal report.

Stephen J. Smith, Esq., Frost Brown Todd – No formal report.

E. Rod Davisson, Esq., Administrator – Mr. Davisson gave a review of the 2018 financials. He stated that the goal is to end the year with \$3 million dollars in the bank. The Village met that goal. On average the Village income tax collections are \$1 million dollars per month. There is currently space for three industrial or warehouse buildings then the Village is out of land.

OLD BUSINESS

No old business.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Scott called for a motion to go into Executive Session under ORC 121.22(g)(3) to discuss imminent litigation and (g)(8) to discuss marketing plans. Motion made by Mr. Flaherty; seconded by Mr. Richardson. Voting as follows: Mrs. Kirk – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Wiley – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes. Council went into Executive Session at 6:48 PM. Council returned from Executive Session at 7:49 PM with all six members present.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Scott called for a motion to adjourn. Motion made by Mr. Kramer; Mrs. Kirk. All ayes. Council adjourned at 7:50 PM.

Mayor D. Greg Scott

Stacey Boumis, Clerk of Council