

**VILLAGE OF OBETZ  
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**



**REGULAR MEETING OF JANUARY 27, 2020**

The Obetz Village Council met in regular session on January 27, 2020 at 6:00 PM at the Obetz Government Center located at 4175 Alum Creek Drive with Mayor Angela M. Kirk presiding.

**ROLL CALL**

Mayor Kirk called the roll with five Council members present. Mr. Michael Flaherty – present; Mr. Robert Kramer – present; Mr. Guiles Richardson – present; Mrs. Bonnie Wiley – present; Mr. Derek Varney – present. Also present were Mike 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 Kirk called for a motion to approve the minutes of the January 13, January 21, and January 22, 2020 meetings. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Flaherty. Voting as follows: Mr. Varney – yes; Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mayor Kirk called for a motion to go into Executive Session under Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(g)(1) to consider the appointment of a public official. Motion made by Mr. Kramer; seconded by Mr. Flaherty. Voting as follows: Mr. Varney – yes; Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes. Council went into Executive Session at 6:03 PM. Council returned from Executive Session at 6:15 PM with all five members present.

**SELECTION OF NEW COUNCIL MEMBER**

Mr. Davisson stated that there were eight qualified applicants. Mr. Davisson turned the meeting over to Council President Pro-Tem Mr. Flaherty. Mr. Flaherty thanked everyone who submitted an application. Selecting a new Council Member was difficult. Everyone was qualified for the position and Council deliberated a long time. Mr. Flaherty nominated the entire slate of candidates in the following order: Mike Kimbler; Dan Raver; John Blankenship; Kay Peters; Jerry Benson; Cameron Lowe; Brian Vick; and James Love; seconded by Mr. Kramer. Nominations were closed. Mr. Davisson stated that there would be a roll call vote in the order in which the candidates were nominated. The first person to get three “yes” votes would be the new Council member. Roll call vote to select Mike Kimbler as the new Council member: Mr. Kramer – yes; Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Varney – yes. No additional votes needed. Mr. Kimbler was selected as the new Council member.

**APPOINTMENT OF CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION**

Mayor Kirk announced her appointments to the Charter Review Commission as follows: Mr. Rod Davisson; Mrs. Bonnie Wiley; John Blankenship; Crystal Tucker; and herself. Mr. Flaherty nominated the following individuals to serve as the Council appointments to the Charter Review Commission: Becci Thacker; Paul Monroe; Robert Kramer; Brian Vick; John Souders; Steve Shirkey; seconded by Mr. Kramer.

Voting as follows: Mr. Varney – yes; Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes.

**APPOINTMENT OF PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION MEMBERS**

Mayor Kirk stated that she has appointed four individuals to fill positions on the Planning and Zoning Commission: Derek Varney (Council representative); James Love; Dan Raver; and Kay Peters. She stated that she is asking Council to confirm these four individuals. Mr. Flaherty moved to nominate the four individuals selected by Mayor Kirk to serve on the Planning and Zoning Commission; seconded by Mrs. Wiley. Voting as follows: Mr. Varney – yes; Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes.

**2019 ANNUAL REPORT**

Mr. Davisson stated that staff would be giving Council a brief presentation on the accomplishments of their department in 2019.

Following the staff's 2019 Annual Report, there was a five minute break in order for staff to leave.

**ORDINANCES**

*First Readings*

No first readings.

*Second Readings*

No second readings.

*Third Readings*

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 50 – 19: An Ordinance Authorizing The Issuance Of Not To Exceed One Million Nine Hundred Thousand Dollars \$1,900,000 Of Notes In Anticipation Of The Issuance Of Bonds For The Purpose Of Paying The Costs Of Municipal Infrastructure Improvements Relating To The Ohio Health Project, Including, But Not Limited To, The Acquisition Of Land And Interests In Land, Construction And Installation, As Necessary, Of Roads, Sidewalks, Storm Water Detention And Retention Structures, Water Lines, Waste Water And Storm Water Lines, Utilities, Signalization Equipment, Landscaping And All Appurtenances Relating Thereto, And Declaring An Emergency. Mr. Davisson stated the Village is rolling over an existing note. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 50 – 19. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Flaherty. Voting as follows: Mr. Varney – yes; Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes.

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 51 – 19: An Ordinance To Accept The Annexation Of 13.8 +/- Acres From Hamilton Township To The Village Of Obetz And Amending The Zoning Map To Planned Commercial District. Mayor Kirk opened the public hearing. Ms. Boumis discussed the site. She stated that Sheetz is going to be built at the portion of the annexation area along Toy Road. There is not a user for the area to the north. She further stated that this area is part of a larger 42 acre development. This is just the first part to be annexed. The developer has committed to connecting the site to the future development to the east. She further stated that due to the annexation laws, the Village cannot approve the annexation and zoning at this time; rather, the Ordinance must be tabled until at least 60 days has

passed. Mayor Kirk closed the public hearing. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to table. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Flaherty. Voting as follows: Mr. Varney – yes; Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes.

*Emergencies*

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 03 – 20: An Ordinance Authorizing The Director Of Finance To Make Payment On Contracts With Columbia Gas And IGS Ventures, And Declaring An Emergency. Mr. Corbitt stated that the Village is selling more gas than expected. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 03 – 20. Motion made by Mr. Flaherty; seconded by Mr. Kramer. Voting as follows: Mr. Varney – yes; Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 03 – 20. Motion made by Mr. Kramer; seconded by Mr. Richardson. Voting as follows: Mr. Varney – yes; Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes.

**STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Committees have not been assigned.

**VILLAGE OFFICIALS' REPORTS**

*Mayor Angela M. Kirk* – Mayor Kirk stated that she is having meetings with the various departments. She has already met with Chief Confer.

Captain Wade Edwards – Captain Edwards stated that the Emergency Medical Technician course at Hamilton High School is going well. He further stated a new medic unit was recently ordered.

**OLD BUSINESS**

No old business.

**NEW BUSINESS**

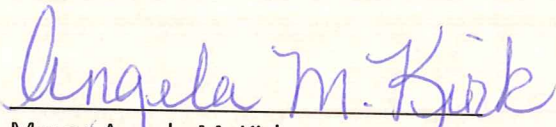
No new business.

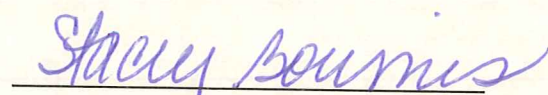
**REMARKS FROM THE AUDIENCE**

No remarks.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Kirk called for a motion to adjourn. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Flaherty. All ayes. Council adjourned at 7:40 PM.

  
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Mayor Angela M. Kirk

  
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Stacey Boumis, Clerk of Council