

**VILLAGE OF OBETZ
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**



REGULAR MEETING OF JULY 13, 2020

Council met in Council Chambers at 4175 Alum Creek Drive on Monday, July 13, 2020 at 6:00 PM with Mayor Angela M. Kirk presiding.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Kirk called the roll with all six Council members present. Mr. Michael Flaherty – present; Mr. Robert Kramer – present; Mr. Guiles Richardson – present; Mrs. Bonnie Wiley – present; Mr. Derek Varney – present; Mr. Mike Kimbler – present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Kirk called for a motion to approve the minutes of the June 22, 2020 meeting. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Kimbler. Voting as follows: Mr. Varney – yes; Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes.

ORDINANCES

First Readings

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 25 – 20: An Ordinance To Rezone A 4.85 Acre Lot Split From Parcel Number 153-000673 From General Commercial To Restricted Industrial And Remove The Lot Split From The Williams Road Overlay.

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 26 – 20: An Ordinance To Adopt The Tax Budget For The Village Of Obetz, Ohio For The Fiscal Year Beginning January 1, 2021 And To Submit The Same To The Franklin County Budget Commission And Declaring An Emergency.

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 27 – 20: An Ordinance Setting Forth A Statement Of Municipal Services To Be Provided To The Area Contained In A Proposed Annexation Of 18.943 +/- Acres Located From Hamilton Township To The Village Of Obetz Such Land Being Located Along Bixby Road And Toy Road, And Declaring An Emergency.

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 28 – 20: An Ordinance Authorizing The Village Administrator To Enter Into An Economic Development Agreement With CBRE Group And CASTO For The Development Of Parcel 152 – 001466 And Declaring An Emergency.

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 29 – 20: An Ordinance Increasing Zoning, Building, And Other Development Related Fees And Establishing New Fees.

Second Readings

No second readings.

Third Readings

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 19 – 20: An Ordinance Approving The Final Plat For Section 5 Of The Butler Farms Subdivision. No discussion. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 19 – 20. Motion made by Mr. Flaherty; seconded by Mr. Richardson. Voting as follows: Mr. Varney – yes; Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes.

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 20 – 20: An Ordinance To Approve The Preliminary Development Plan And Development Text For Parcel 186-002023. Mayor Kirk opened the public hearing. Ms. Boumis stated that the Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval in May. Mr. Corbitt discussed the results of the traffic study. He stated that a signal is not warranted at the intersection of Edinburgh Drive and Groveport Road. The intersection of Groveport Road and Bixby Road will be improved with funds from this project as well as the Big Walnut Run subdivision. The Village is managing the intersection improvements. Jim Frey and Ryan Patterson gave a presentation to Council. They discussed the product and showed pictures of the units. They also reviewed the site plan. Vicky McCoy, a member of the public in attendance, addressed Council. She stated that she wants to make sure the apartments don't become an eyesore. Mayor Kirk stated that the complexes she has visited have been well maintained. Mr. Corbitt stated that code enforcement would become involved if the grounds and units are not maintained. Norma Sanchez, a member of the public in attendance, asked when construction would start. Mr. Frey responded in approximately 8 months. A member of the public in attendance, name not given, asked about the cost to serve the units. Mr. Frey stated the streets are private and don't require any Village maintenance. Mr. Smith stated that the Township receives property tax money that is used to provide the needed services. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 20 – 20. Motion made by Mr. Flaherty; seconded by Mr. Varney. Voting as follows: Mr. Varney – yes; Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes.

Emergencies

No emergencies.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Kirk provided a summary of the Village's code enforcement activities. She stated that since the last meeting 10 violations have been written and 27 cases have been closed. Six properties are in Mayor's Court and several home based businesses have been notified and are being monitored. Mayor Kirk stated that she has received good feedback on the fireworks and that the parks are back open. The splashpad has been a hit.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Parks and Programming – Mike Kimbler, Chair

No report.

Fortress Obetz, Regional Recreation and Events – Derek Varney, Chair

Mr. Varney stated that a high school combine was held at the Fortress last weekend and it was a success. Ohio State commit CJ Hicks was in attendance. The 2020 Community Cup is moving to the Fortress. Keep checking Facebook for event details.

Development – Mike Flaherty, Chair

Mr. Flaherty stated that the Planning and Zoning Commission approved an updated development plan for 2160 McGaw Road during its last meeting. There is a tenant now identified for the building. The Village is getting closer to finalizing a development agreement with Casto and CBRE. The annexation process has started for five parcels between Bixby and Toy Roads. Ryan Homes has submitted building permits for the model homes in the Big Walnut Run subdivision along Bixby Road.

Intergovernmental Outreach – Robert Kramer, Chair

Mr. Kramer stated that the Groveport Madison School District recently surveyed parents regarding starting school in the fall. Hamilton Township has published its plan for going back in the fall. There are three choices based on the COVID threat level in the County.

Neighborhood Preservation and Beautification – Bonnie Wiley, Chair

No report.

Public Works and Safety – Guiles Richardson, Chair

Mr. Richardson stated that the Village will be conducting a traffic impact study in old town. Residents along Greenup Drive have reported flooding in their back yards due to clogged drains. Mr. Corbitt stated that he would investigate. Construction on Lockbourne Road is also ending.

ADMINISTRATION'S REPORT

Michael Confer, Police Chief — Chief Confer stated that calls for service have been going up. Since the last meeting there have been 1408 calls for service.

Ralph Shillingburg, Fire Chief — Chief Shillingburg stated that the Fire Department is holding its yearly fan distribution. If someone needs a fan, they should contact the Fire Department. If anyone wants to donate a fan, just drop it off at the Fire Station.

No additional reports from Administration.

OLD BUSINESS

No old business.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Flaherty asked when the Village would make a decision regarding August rentals. Council discussed this issue. Council members discussed the cost to get the facilities ready as well as the recent spike in COVID cases in Franklin County. Mr. Flaherty stated that individuals should not be told at the last minute that the facilities will not be open. Council members concurred. Council members determined that rentals in Stewart Hall and at Dixon Quarry should be canceled through September.

Council members discussed the Village's regulations on farm animals and whether ducks should be permitted. Mr. Smith stated that allowing farm animals in the city never turns out well. Council members determined that the regulations regarding farm animals should not be changed. They stated

that they appreciated the kids working through the process but that allowing farm animals including ducks on small lots within the Village was not a good idea.

REMARKS FROM THE AUDIENCE

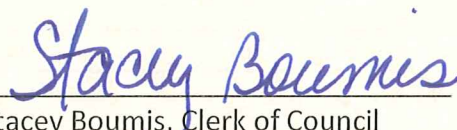
A member of the audience, name not given, addressed Council. He stated that he is experiencing water issues at his home which is at the corner of Bridlewood Boulevard and Groveport Road.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Kirk called for a motion to adjourn. Motion made by Mrs. Wiley; seconded by Mr. Kramer. All ayes. Council adjourned at 7:08 PM.



Mayor Angela M. Kirk



Stacey Boumis, Clerk of Council