

**VILLAGE OF OBETZ  
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**



**REGULAR MEETING OF JULY 27, 2020**

Council met in Council Chambers at 4175 Alum Creek Drive on Monday, July 27, 2020 at 6:00 PM with Council President Pro-Tem Michael Flaherty presiding.

**ROLL CALL**

Mr. Flaherty 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.

Mr. Flaherty called for a motion to excuse Mayor Kirk due to a family emergency. Motion made by Mr. Kramer; 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.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mr. Flaherty called for a motion to approve the minutes of the July 13, 2020 meeting. Motion made by Mr. Varney; seconded by Mr. Kramer. 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. Garvine read Ordinance 30 – 20: An Ordinance To Rezone 2655 Rathmell Road (Parcel Number 152–000720) From Planned Industrial District To Low Density Residential.

**Second Readings**

Ms. Garvine 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. Garvine 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. Mr. Flaherty opened the public hearing on the tax budget. Mr. Davisson discussed the tax budget. The tax budget ensures that the Village can continue to collect property taxes. It also establishes the Village’s certificate of estimated resources. Mr. Davisson stated that the tax budget is based on estimated resources. He further stated that the 2021 carryover will be approximately \$2.5 million. No questions from the public. Mr. Flaherty closed the public hearing. Mr. Flaherty called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 26 – 20. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mrs. Wiley. Voting as follows: Mr. Varney – yes; Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes. Mr. Flaherty called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 26 – 20. 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.

Ms. Garvine 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. Mr. Davisson stated that this is the area east of Sheetz. This is the first phase in the annexation process. Mr. Flaherty called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 27 – 20. Motion made by Mr. Varney; 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. Mr. Flaherty called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 27 – 20. Motion made by Mrs. Wiley; seconded by Mr. Kramer. Voting as follows: Mr. Varney – yes; Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes.

Ms. Garvine 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. Mr. Davisson stated that this is the parcel owned by the Village.

Ms. Garvine read Ordinance 29 – 20: An Ordinance Increasing Zoning, Building, And Other Development Related Fees And Establishing New Fees. Mr. Davisson stated that the fees haven't been updated since 2006.

#### Third Readings

No third readings.

#### Emergencies

No emergencies.

#### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

No report.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

##### *Neighborhood Preservation and Beautification – Bonnie Wiley, Chair*

The crews have been working on landscaping and watering flowers. Pine Alley is also being worked on.

##### *Intergovernmental Outreach – Robert Kramer, Chair*

Mr. Kramer stated that the Hamilton Township Trustees thanked the Village for cleaning up the creek over near Rohr Road and Creekside Parkway.

##### *Parks and Programming – Mike Kimbler, Chair*

Mr. Kimbler stated that the mini MSL will not be having a youth football season; therefore, Obetz has contacted the mini OCC to get into that league. The mini OCC will be starting the season later in September. He also discussed the cleaning protocols in place at the splashpad. Mr. Varney thanked Jacob and Kerri for their work putting together the youth combine.

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

Mr. Varney stated that the Village will be defending its title during the upcoming Community Cup.

*Development – Mike Flaherty, Chair*

No report.

*Public Works and Safety – Guiles Richardson, Chair*

Mr. Richardson stated that all the construction has been completed.

### **ADMINISTRATION'S REPORT**

*Michael Confer, Police Chief* — No report

*Wade Edwards, Hamilton Township Fire Department* – Captain Edwards stated that a new engine has been purchased. They are working to get it fully equipped. A new medical vehicle has also been ordered.

### *Additional Comments*

Mrs. Wiley stated she is concerned about the Affirmative Fair Housing Act and the impact that legislation has on the suburbs. Mr. Davisson stated that the Village rarely excepts federal money due to the restrictions. Mrs. Wiley stated that she called Senator Portman's office asking them to defeat this legislation.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

No old business.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

No new business.

### **REMARKS FROM THE AUDIENCE**

No remarks from the audience.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mr. Flaherty called for a motion to go into executive session under Ohio Revised Code 121.22 (g)(1) to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee and (g)(8) To consider confidential information related to the marketing plans, specific business strategy, production techniques, trade secrets, or personal financial statements of an applicant for economic development assistance. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mrs. Wiley. Voting as follows: Mr. Varney – yes; Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes. Council went into executive session at 8:45. Council returned from executive session at 8:43 PM.

### **DISCUSSION**


Mr. Davisson reviewed the proposed closures within the Village. Council members discussed the proposed closures. Ms. Garvine took a roll call vote to endorse the proposed closures as discussed.

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

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Flaherty called for a motion to adjourn. Motion made by Mr. Kramer; seconded by Mrs. Wiley. All ayes. Council adjourned at 8:59 PM.

  
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Mayor Angela M. Kirk

  
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Stacey Boumis, Clerk of Council