

**VILLAGE OF OBETZ
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**



REGULAR MEETING OF JULY 12, 2021

The meeting was held in Council Chambers at the Government Center, 4175 Alum Creek Drive, on Monday, July 12th at 6:00 PM with Mayor Angela M. Kirk presiding.

ROLL CALL

Ms. Boumis called the roll. Mr. Michael Flaherty – present; Mr. Robert Kramer – absent; Mr. Guiles Richardson – present; Mrs. Bonnie Wiley – present; Mr. Derek Varney – present; Mr. Mike Kimbler – present. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to excuse Robert Kramer. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Kimbler. Voting as follows: Mr. Varney – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mrs. Wiley – yes.; Mr. Kimbler – yes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Kirk called for a motion to approve the minutes of the June 28, 2021 meeting. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Flaherty. Voting as follows: Mr. Varney – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes.

ORDINANCES

First Readings

No first readings.

Second Readings

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 26 – 21: An Ordinance To Modify Sections 939.05 And 939.02 Of The Codified Ordinances Related To Utility Billings And Payment And Water Charges And Service Fees And Declaring An Emergency. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 26 – 21. Motion made by Mr. Varney; seconded by Mr. Richardson. Voting as follows: Mr. Varney – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes. Motion carried. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 26 – 21. Motion made by Mr. Flaherty; seconded by Mrs. Wiley. Voting as follows: Mr. Varney – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes. Motion carried.

Third Readings

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 24 – 21: An Ordinance To Adopt The Tax Budget For The Village Of Obetz, Ohio For The Fiscal Year Beginning January 1, 2022 And To Submit The Same To The Franklin County Budget Commission And Declaring An Emergency. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 24 – 21. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mrs. Wiley. Voting as follows: Mr. Varney – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes. Motion carried.

Emergencies

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 27 – 21: An Ordinance Authorizing The Director Of Finance To Make Payment On A Contract With Griffin Pavement Striping, Inc., And Declaring An Emergency. Mr. Davisson stated that this is for the roundabout striping. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 27 – 21. Motion made by Mr. Flaherty; seconded by Mr. Kimbler. Voting as follows: Mr. Varney – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes. Motion carried. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to adopt. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Flaherty. Voting as follows: Mr. Varney – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Kirk stated tickets to the Kane Brown concert are still available. Residents were put into a lottery and randomly selected to receive free tickets. Mayor Kirk then stated she is working on a lot of new development. The crews have been cleaning up the property behind the McDonald's. The crew did a good job cleaning up the splashpad and Lancaster Park and things are running smoothly there. She then stated she is working on playground designs for the parks. The Independence Day celebration was packed; staff did an awesome job and she has received lots of complements. She also stated Bike Nights have been great and she is proud of the staff.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Kimbler, Parks and Programming – Mr. Kimbler stated summer camp is in week five and going well. Baseball and softball are over. The Village is participating in the HYAA parade through The Meadows on July 10th. There was a mini MSL (Mid State League) combine Saturday. The next movie at the Fortress is July 23rd.

Mr. Varney, Fortress Obetz, Regional Recreation and Events – Mr. Varney stated there was an 18U girls softball tournament in Memorial Park over the weekend; thirty four teams participated. The SCCA has been successful at the Fortress. Kane Brown concert prep is underway and there will be a soccer camp at the Fortress next week.

Mr. Richardson, Public Works and Safety – Mr. Richardson reported striping the roundabouts has been completed; painting the curbs in the neighborhoods begins shortly.

Mr. Flaherty, Development – Mr. Flaherty stated a lot of things are in the planning stages.

Mrs. Wiley, Neighborhood Preservation and Beautification – Mrs. Wiley stated there has been a lot of mowing due to rain.

ADMINISTRATION'S REPORT

Mike Confer, Police Chief – Chief Confer stated two new officers have been hired and applications have closed for the corporal promotion. Since the last meeting there have been 972 calls for service.

Martin Hafey, Chief, Hamilton Township Fire Department – Not in attendance.

Gene Hollins, Esq., Law Director – Not in attendance.

Stacey Boumis, Community Services Director – Ms. Boumis stated Donald Clark is the new code enforcement officer. She then stated the Planning and Zoning Commission meets Wednesday.

E. Rod Davisson, Esq., *Village Administrator* – No report.

OLD BUSINESS

No old business.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business.

REMARKS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Mr. Jerry Benson thanked the Village for promptly fixing the pavement on Dill Street and Irwin Avenue. He then stated he wants the piece of property behind him cleaned up.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Kirk called for a motion to go into executive session under ORC 121.22(g)(8) to discuss marketing plans and business strategies. Motion made by Mrs. Wiley; seconded by Mr. Flaherty. Voting as follows: Mr. Varney – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes. Motion carried. Council went into executive session at 6:18 PM. Council returned from executive session at 7:52 PM with all five members present.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Kirk called a special meeting for the purpose of discussing economic development, which will be held on Monday, July 19th at 4:00 PM at the Government Building. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to adjourn. Motion made by Mr. Varney; seconded by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Varney. All ayes. Council adjourned at 7:53 PM.

Mayor Angela M. Kirk

Stacey Boumis, Clerk of Council