

**CITY OF OBETZ
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**



REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 12, 2021

The meeting was held in Council Chambers at the Government Center, 4175 Alum Creek Drive, on Tuesday, October 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 – present; Mr. Guiles Richardson – present; Mrs. Bonnie Wiley – present; Mr. Derek Varney – absent; Mr. Mike Kimbler – present. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to excuse Mr. Varney due to a prior work commitment. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Flaherty. Voting as follows: Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Mike Kimbler – yes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Kirk called for a motion to approve the minutes of the September 27 and September 30, 2021 meetings. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mrs. Wiley. Voting as follows: Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Mike Kimbler – yes. Motion carried.

PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Kirk read a proclamation for Stormwater Awareness Week. Mayor Kirk declared October 17th through 21st as Stormwater Awareness Week in the Village of Obetz and urged residents to undertake activities that helped preserve the quality of water in the Village.

ORDINANCES

First Readings

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 39 – 21: 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.

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 40 – 21: An Ordinance Canceling The Regularly Scheduled Council Meetings Of November 22, 2021 And December 27, 2021 And Declaring An Emergency.

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 41 – 21: An Ordinance Authorizing The Mayor To Distribute A One-Time Bonus To All Current Village Employees And Declaring An Emergency.

Second Readings

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 33 – 21: An Ordinance To Accept The Annexation Of 93.8 +/- Acres From Hamilton Township To The Village Of Obetz, Designate The Zoning As Planned Residential District, And To Approve The Preliminary Development Plan.

Third Readings

No third readings.

Emergencies

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 42 – 21: An Ordinance Accepting Right Of Way From Redwood Obez Groveport Road OH P1 LLC By Special Warranty Deed And Declaring An Emergency. Mr. Hollins discussed Ordinance 42 – 21. He stated that there are no public road and no plat is needed; therefore, right of way will be conveyed through a special warranty deed. Mr. Hollins then discussed Bixby Road. Some of Bixby Road is in Obez and some is in the City of Groveport's corporation limits. Obez is in discussions regarding changing the boundary lines so the road is in one jurisdiction. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 42 – 21. Motion made by Mr. Flaherty; seconded by Mrs. Wiley. Voting as follows: Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Mike Kimbler – yes. Motion carried. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 42 – 21. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Kimbler. Voting as follows: Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mrs. Wiley – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Mike Kimbler – yes. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Kirk stated the Buddy Walk was held at the Fortress last weekend and was a huge success. Bishop Ready had their homecoming at the Fortress and their last home game was Friday. The Mayor's golf outing raised approximately \$6847 for the food pantry.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Kimbler, Parks and Programming – Mr. Kimbler stated all three Obez teams advance to the championship games at Bloom-Carroll.

Mr. Richardson, Public Works and Safety – Mr. Richardson stated there is a lot of construction traffic along Bixby Road and Groveport Road. He then inquired about continuing curb painting.

Mr. Flaherty, Development – Mr. Flaherty stated Zenni Optical is locating their North American headquarters in Obez. They will be in a building by Cheryl and Company.

Mr. Kramer, Intergovernmental Outreach – Mr. Kramer stated he attended the Village of Lockbourne's new trail dedication. It was a nice event.

Mrs. Wiley, Neighborhood Preservation and Beautification – Mrs. Wiley stated she attended a campaign event where residents discussed the Columbus Fire Department and Hamilton Township Fire Department. Columbus residents want a new fire station in the southside. Currently Hamilton Township Fire Department is responding to a lot of calls in Columbus due to the mutual aid agreement. Mrs. Wiley then stated she was not happy with the boxes recently installed on utility poles by her home. Mr. Davisson responded that Ohio right of way laws limit what the Village can do to control a utility company legally working within the right of way.

ADMINISTRATION'S REPORT

Mike Confer, Police Chief — Chief Confer stated there were 985 calls for service since the last meeting. The grant for body cameras has been submitted.

Martin Hafey, Fire Chief, Hamilton Township – Chief Hafey was not in attendance.

Gene Hollins, Esq., Law Director – Mr. Hollins stated there is a lot happening in the Village.

Stacey Boumis, Community Services Director – Ms. Boumis stated the Planning and Zoning Commission meeting is tomorrow.

E. Rod Davisson, Esq., Administrator – Mr. Davisson stated eleven speeding tickets were issued on Howard Road. Speed signs will be here in early November. On Friday, the new stop signs on Orchard Lane will be installed. A new backhoe has also been ordered. The Casto agreement is almost finalized. Companies have contacted the Village about leasing land on Williams Road as well as the Crew facility. Hydrant flushing is next week. Mr. Davisson then reviewed the calendar through the end of the year.

OLD BUSINESS

No old business.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Andy Borders inquired about the Rathmell Road right of way. Mr. Davisson stated it has not been cut.

Mr. Ed Dalton thanked Mayor Kirk and Council for getting the stop signs installed on Orchard Lane. He stated loud car stereos are still an issue.

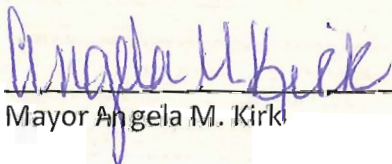
REMARKS FROM THE AUDIENCE

A resident living on Ethel Road inquired about the Village's noise ordinance. He stated his neighbor plays music all night and it disturbs the peace. He stated he has asked the police for help several times and nothing has been done. He then stated he was here tonight asking Council for help. Mr. Hollins stated noise ordinances are hard to enforce. Mr. Davisson stated he will have the police department follow up on the complaint and also get code enforcement involved.

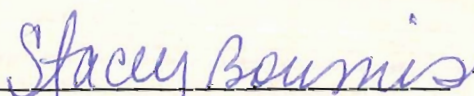
Mr. Jerry Benson reminded Council that a group of residents interested in the history of Obetz were meeting tomorrow at 7:00 PM at the Community Center.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Kirk called for a motion to adjourn. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Kimbler. All ayes. Council adjourned at 6:48 PM.



Mayor Angela M. Kirk



Stacey Boumis, Clerk of Council