CITY OF OBETZ RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS



REGULAR MEETING OF MARCH 14, 2022

The meeting was held in Council Chambers at the Government Center, 4175 Alum Creek Drive, on Monday, March 14, 2022 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; Mr. Todd Gibbs – present; Mr. Derek Varney – present; Mr. Mike Kimbler – present. Also present were Rod Davisson, Administrator; Gene Hollins, Law Director; Mike Confer, Police Chief; and Stacey Boumis, Community Services Director.

MINUTES

Mayor Kirk called for a motion to approve the minutes of the February 28, 2022 meeting. Motion made Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Flaherty. Voting as follows: Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes; Mr. Varney - yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes. Motion carried.

ORDINANCES

<u>First Readings</u>
No first readings.

Second Readings

No second readings.

Third Readings.

No third readings.

Emergencies

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 15 – 22: An Ordinance Authorizing The Director Of Finance To Make Payment On A Contract With SeeClickFix Incorporated And Declaring An Emergency. Mr. Davisson discussed the Ordinance. He stated this service is used to report code violations to the City. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 15 – 22. Motion made by Mr. Flaherty; seconded by Mr. Richardson. Voting as follows: Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Varney – yes. Motion carried. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 15 – 22. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Flaherty. Voting as follows: Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Gibbs - yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Varney – yes. Motion carried.

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 16-22: An Ordinance To Approve Changes To The 2022 Appropriations For The Current Expenses And Other Expenditures Of The City Of Obetz. Mr. Davisson discussed the Ordinance. He stated the additional funds will cover benefit costs for new employees and additional programming. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance

16 – 22. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Kramer. Voting as follows: Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Varney – yes. Motion carried. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 16 – 22. Motion made by Mr. Kramer; seconded by Mr. Flaherty. Voting as follows: Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Varney – yes. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Kirk stated the City found a new ride company for Zucchinifest. The contract for the Sunday entertainment has been signed. The entertainers will be Aaron Tippin, Collin Raye, and Sammy Kershaw. Ms. Duffy has been working to get the parks ready for spring. The dog park is not open. Dogs should not be dropped off and left inside the dog park. Mayor Kirk also stated there are 41 open code enforcement cases, several of which are in court.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Parks and Programming – Mike Kimbler, Chair – Mr. Kimbler stated the parks are busy. He reviewed the calendar for the OCC and other upcoming events including the fishing derby, Easter Egg Hunt, and Daddy/Daughter Dance.

Fortress Obetz, Regional Recreation and Events – Derek Varney, Chair – Mr. Varney reviewed the calendar of upcoming events at Fortress Obetz.

Public Works and Safety - Todd Gibbs, Chair - No report.

Development – Mike Flaherty, Chair – Mr. Flaherty stated Sheetz wants to develop near the OhioHealth facility. The development will be like the Circleville location. It will not be a truck stop.

Intergovernmental Outreach – Robert Kramer, Chair – Mr. Kramer stated Hamilton Local School District has a production of the Wizard of Oz coming up. There will be a COVID-19 vaccine clinic at the high school. The Groveport Madison School District has its state of the schools celebration coming up. Hamilton Township residents are nervous about the Buckstone development.

Neighborhood Preservation and Beautification, Mr. Richardson, Chair – No report.

ADMINISTRATION'S REPORT

Mike Confer, Police Chief — Chief Confer stated the Department has responded to 1106 calls for service since the last meeting.

Martin Hafey, Fire Chief, Hamilton Township — Chief Hafey stated numbers are down. There were 105 runs to Obetz last month. The new fire truck should be in service by May.

Gene Hollins, Esq., Law Director - No report.

Stacey Boumis, Community Services Director – No report.

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

OLD BUSINESS

No old business.

NEW BUSINESS

Joe Kimener with CBRE addressed Council. He stated Casto completed the traffic study for the project site. There is a high interest level in the site. More details coming in a few weeks. He then stated there are a minimum of fifty suppliers to Intel that want to be in the region. Obetz owns several pieces of land that could be developed. He asked Council if they were interested in marketing these areas. Mayor Kirk and Council stated they were interested. He stated he would send over a listing agreement.

REMARKS FROM THE AUDIENCE

The resident at 2177 Brett Court addressed Council. He stated an officer asked him to move his truck parked on the street due to the snow emergency in February. The truck was frozen and he was not able to get the door open; therefore, he was not able to move the truck. He stated more snow emergency signs are needed in the area; he did not know the law regarding parking during a snow emergency. Mayor Kirk stated the City made multiple announcements on the website and social media reminding people to move their vehicles. Chief Confer stated it is a good rule of thumb to be proactive if 2" or more of snow is predicted.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Kirk called for a motion to adjourn. Motion made by Mr. Gibbs; seconded by Mr. Kramer. All ayes. Council adjourned at 6:45 PM.

Mayor Angela M. Kirk

Stacey Boumis, Clerk of Council