

**CITY OF OBETZ
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**



REGULAR MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 12, 2022

The regular meeting was held in Council Chambers at the Government Center, 4175 Alum Creek Drive, on Monday, September 12, 2022 at 6:00 PM with Mayor Angela M. Kirk presiding.

ROLL CALL

Ms. Boumis called the roll. Mr. Michael Flaherty – absent; Mr. Robert Kramer – present; Mr. Guiles Richardson – present; Mr. Todd Gibbs – present; Mr. Derek Varney – present; Mr. Mike Kimbler – present. Also present were Gene Hollins, Law Director; Stacey Boumis, Community Services Director; Mike Confer, Police Chief; and Rod Davisson, City Administrator. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to excuse Mr. Flaherty. Motion made by Mr. Kramer; seconded by Mr. Richardson. Voting as follows: Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Varney – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes. Motion carried.

MINUTES

Mayor Kirk called for a motion to approve the minutes of the August 22, 2022 meeting. Motion made Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Kramer. Voting as follows: Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Varney – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes. Motion carried.

ORDINANCES

First Readings

No first readings.

Second Readings

No second readings.

Third Readings

No third readings.

Emergencies

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 45 – 22: An Ordinance To Accept The Amounts And Rates As Determined By The Budget Commission And Authorizing The Necessary Tax Levies And Certifying Them To The County Auditor And Declaring An Emergency. Mr. Davisson stated this ordinance is done yearly. It allows the City to collect its inside millage which is 1.7 mills. Mr. Davisson explained how millage and tax collections work. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 45 – 22. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Gibbs. Voting as follows: Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Varney – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes. Motion carried. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to adopt. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Varney. Voting as follows: Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Varney – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes. Motion carried.

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 46 – 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. Police contractual services are being increased to fund additional training. Ms. Duffy is moving money from one area to another to cover trophies. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 46 – 22. Motion made by Mr. Gibbs; seconded by Mr. Kramer. Voting as follows: Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Varney - yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes. Motion carried. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to adopt. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Kimbler. Voting as follows: Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Varney - yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes. Motion carried.

Tabled

Ordinance 31 – 22 remained tabled.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Kirk stated ZucchiniFest was fabulous. She thanked Council and staff for all their hard work during the event. She also thanked the community for volunteering. The Mayor's golf outing is September 23rd. Work has started on the new Buckstone apartments.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Mike Kimbler, Parks and Programming – Mr. Kimbler stated flag football is tonight. The City is offering optional softball and baseball workouts. Football and cheerleading is underway.

Mr. Derek Varney, Fortress Obetz, Regional Recreation and Events – Mr. Varney thanked staff and the Hamilton Township Fire Department for all their hard work during ZucchiniFest.

Mr. Todd Gibbs, Public Works and Safety – Mr. Gibbs stated curb painting continues.

Mr. Michael Flaherty, Development – Mr. Flaherty was absent.

Mr. Robert Kramer, Intergovernmental Outreach – Mr. Kramer stated road work on Lockbourne Road begins shortly. Rohr Road is now open. New apartments are under construction just south of Lowe's on High Street.

Mr. Guiles Richardson, Neighborhood Preservation and Beautification – Mr. Richardson stated Davey Tree is doing a good job. Mosquito spraying is Thursday.

ADMINISTRATION'S REPORT

Mike Confer, Police Chief — Chief Confer stated his department stayed busy. In addition to ZucchiniFest, the department responded to 1281 calls for service.

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

Stacey Boumis, Community Services Director – Ms. Boumis stated the Planning and Zoning Commission meets Wednesday.

Ralph Shillingburg, Hamilton Township Fire Chief – Chief Shillingburg shared August statistics. There were 31 fire and 66 EMS runs in Obetz in August; four people were transported from Zucchinifest.

E. Rod Davisson, Esq., Administrator – Mr. Davisson stated there is a lot going on. Staff continues to stay busy.

Andy Borders, a resident, asked Mr. Davisson to explain how the gas fund works. Mr. Davisson stated the gas fund is a special fund that has specific income sources and a specific purpose. Money in the gas fund can only be used for the designated specific purpose. Mr. Davisson further explained Obetz' gas utility. Mr. Borders then asked Mr. Davisson if the 1.7 mil levy is an increase. Mr. Davisson responded no. The levy generates approximately \$250,000 per year.

OLD BUSINESS

No old business.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

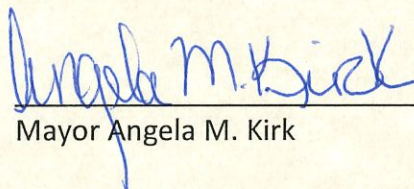
Mayor Kirk called for a motion to go into executive session under Ohio Revised Code 121.22(g)(8) to discuss economic development. Motion made by Mr. Varney; seconded by Mr. Kimbler. Voting as follows: Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Varney - yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes. Motion carried. Council went into executive session at 6:28 PM. Council returned from executive session at 7:20 PM with all five Council members in attendance.

NEW BUSINESS

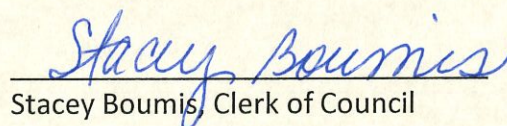
Following the return from Executive Session, Councilman Varney motioned to discount the examination fees for the Buckstone apartments by \$13,764.84. Seconded by Mr. Richardson. Mr. Varney stated the buildings are similar in design. Mr. Hollins stated the City is still getting over \$100,000 in fees. Voting as follows: Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Varney - yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Kirk called for a motion to adjourn. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Gibbs. All ayes. Council adjourned at 7:23 PM.



Mayor Angela M. Kirk



Stacey Boumis, Clerk of Council