

**CITY OF OBETZ
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**



REGULAR MEETING OF JULY 25, 2022

The regular meeting was held in Council Chambers at the Government Center, 4175 Alum Creek Drive, on Monday, July 25, 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 – absent. Also present were Rod Davisson, Administrator; Gene Hollins, Law Director; Stacey Boumis, Community Services Director; Mike Confer, Police Chief. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to excuse Mr. Kimbler. Motion made by Mr. Flaherty; seconded by Mr. Kramer. Voting as follows: Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes; Mr. Varney – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes. Motion carried.

MINUTES

Mayor Kirk called for a motion to approve the minutes of the July 11, 2022 meeting. Motion made Mr. Gibbs; seconded by Mr. Kramer. Voting as follows: Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes; Mr. Varney – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes. Motion carried.

SWEARING IN OF LUTHER COPLEY AS A POLICE OFFICER

Mayor Kirk swore in Luther Copley to the position of police officer.

ORDINANCES

First Readings

No first readings.

Second Readings

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 40 – 22: An Ordinance Finding That The Creation Of The Southwest Area New Community Authority, A New Community Authority Pursuant To Chapter 349 Of The Ohio Revised Code, Will Be Conducive To The Public Health, Safety, Convenience And Welfare And Is Intended To Result In The Development Of A New Community; Declaring The Authority To Be Organized And A Body Politic And Corporate; Defining The Boundary Of The Authority's New Community District; Providing The Method Of Selecting That Authority's Board Of Trustees; Appointing Four Members To That Board; Fixing The Surety For Those Trustees' Bonds; Prohibiting The Dissolution Of The Authority Without Consent; And Authorizing Any Other Related Authorizations And Actions; And Declaring An Emergency.

Mayor Kirk opened the public hearing. Mr. Davisson stated this ordinance is another step to create Buckstone. The New Community Authority (NCA) is a vehicle for collecting tax money that can be used to pay for infrastructure in the area. The NCA is managed by a separate board appointed by Council and the developers. No questions. Mayor Kirk closed the public hearing.

Third Readings

No third readings.

Emergencies

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 41 – 22: An Ordinance Amending Section III - Vacation Of The Employee Handbook Related To The Accrual Of Vacation Hours And Declaring An Emergency. Mr. Davisson stated there is a three-year limit on the accrual of vacation. The ordinance proposes to increase that to five years. Mr. Kramer asked how much vacation could be used at once. Mr. Davisson stated most people don't take more than two weeks at once and all vacation requires approval. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 41 – 22. Motion made by Mr. Flaherty; seconded by Mr. Gibbs. Voting as follows: Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes; Mr. Varney - yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes. Motion carried. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to adopt. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Flaherty. Voting as follows: Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes; Mr. Varney - yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes. Motion carried.

Tabled

Ordinance 31 – 22 remained tabled.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Kirk stated the dedication for D. Greg Scott Park was a nice event. The park looks great. Mayor Kirk further stated the City is going to start soliciting local businesses for ZucchiniFest sponsorships.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Mike Kimbler, Parks and Programming – Mr. Kimbler was absent. Mr. Varney gave his report. He stated the seniors (senior citizens) are participating in a volleyball tournament in Groveport. There is a movie at the Fortress on August 12th and a Christmas in July event today.

Mr. Derek Varney, Fortress Obetz, Regional Recreation and Events – Mr. Varney stated there are five Full Throttle Thursdays remaining in the year. The event has been well attended and there have been a lot of sponsors. The Community Cup is Friday and the Big Green Eggfest is Saturday.

Mr. Todd Gibbs, Public Works and Safety – Mr. Gibbs stated 185 cubic yards of mulch was installed at D. Greg Scott park.

Mr. Michael Flaherty, Development – Nothing new to report.

Mr. Robert Kramer, Intergovernmental Outreach – Mr. Kramer stated the school districts are beginning open houses soon. The Groveport Madison School District is modifying their hours so check their website for updates.

Mr. Guiles Richardson, Neighborhood Preservation and Beautification – Nothing new to report.

ADMINISTRATION'S REPORT

Ralph Shillingburg, Hamilton Township Fire Chief – Chief Shillingburg stated there were 62 EMS and 32 fire runs in June.

Mike Confer, Police Chief — Chief Confer provided statistics from July 11 through 24th. During that time, there were 1073 calls for service. Officers drove 3,394 miles.

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

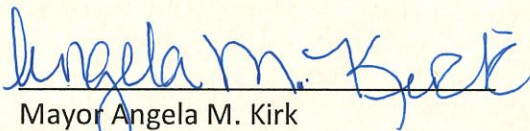
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REMARKS FROM THE AUDIENCE

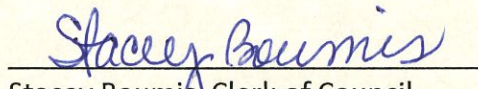
Mr. Ronald Beach IV introduced himself. He stated he was running for election to the Ohio House of Representatives to represent District 5. He is the Republican candidate.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Kirk called for a motion to adjourn. Motion made by Mr. Gibbs; seconded by Mr. Kramer. All ayes. Council adjourned at 6:23 PM.



Mayor Angela M. Kirk



Stacey Boumis, Clerk of Council