

**CITY OF OBETZ  
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**



**REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 11, 2022**

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The regular meeting was held in Council Chambers at the Government Center, 4175 Alum Creek Drive, on Tuesday, October 11, 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 Stacey Boumis, Community Services Director; Mike Confer, Police Chief; and Michael Corbitt, Deputy City Administrator.

**MINUTES**

Mayor Kirk called for a motion to approve the minutes of the September 26, 2022 meeting. Motion made Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Flaherty. Voting as follows: Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Varney - yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes. Motion carried.

**ORDINANCES**

**First Readings**

Ms. Boumis read the title to Ordinance 48 – 22: An Ordinance To Modify The Codified Ordinances To Include Chapter 735 Related To Short Term Rental Facilities Within The City Of Obetz And Declaring An Emergency. Mayor Kirk discussed the Ordinance. She stated the City has had issues with short term rentals in the past. A previous short term rental that has now been sold was the location of a huge house party that required the police to break up. The one known rental in the City does not have a driveway. Guests park in the driveway of the house next door without permission and the property owner must call the police to get those cars moved. There is no benefit to the City to have short term rentals. They take resources with really no benefit. Mr. Flaherty asked if this ordinance keeps short term rentals out of other areas where the City might want them. Ms. Boumis stated any rezoning could be done as a planned district which could allow them. Mr. Varney asked how many short term rentals were in Obetz. Mr. Corbitt stated he found one listed on AirB&B. Mayor Kirk stated now is the time to prohibit them before the number increases. Mr. Gibbs stated he thinks this is an urgent matter to protect the neighborhoods. Mr. Gibbs motioned to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 48 – 22; seconded by Mr. Flaherty. Voting as follows: Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Varney - yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes. Motion carried. Mr. Richardson moved to adopt Ordinance 48 – 22; seconded by Mr. Varney. Voting as follows: Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Varney - yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes. Motion carried.

**Second Readings**

No second readings.

**Third Readings**

No third readings.

### Emergencies

Ms. Boumis read the title to Ordinance 47 – 22: An Ordinance To Approve Changes To The 2022 Appropriations For The Current Expenses And Other Expenditures Of The City Of Obetz. Mr. Corbitt discussed the Ordinance. He stated the appropriations cover phone charges for the police department; winter wear for the departments working outside; bank charges; and money to purchase new football helmets for next year. Due to the lead time on helmets, they need to be ordered this year. Mr. Varney stated he wants to make sure there is not money in the budget next year for helmets. Mr. Corbitt stated there may be money allocated in 2023 to buy helmets for 2024. Ms. Boumis stated there may also be money allocated for more helmets if the program continues to grow. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 47 – 22. Motion made by Mr. Kramer; seconded by Mr. Varney. Voting as follows: Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Varney - yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes. Motion carried. Mayor Kirk moved to adopt Ordinance 47 – 22. Motion made by Mr. Varney; seconded by Mr. Kramer. Voting as follows: Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Varney - yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes. Motion carried.

### Tabled

Ordinance 31 – 22 remained tabled.

### MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Kirk stated she is still waiting on the ZucchiniFest numbers to come in. The City is getting ready for Fortress Fright Night. Follow Obetz on Facebook for more details. Trick or Treat is October 31<sup>st</sup> from 6:00 to 8:00 PM.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

*Mr. Mike Kimbler, Parks and Programming* – Mr. Kimbler reviewed the upcoming events at the Community Center. He also stated skateboarding camp has started. He stated people should follow the City and Fortress Facebook pages to stay up to date on events.

*Mr. Derek Varney, Fortress Obetz, Regional Recreation and Events* – Mr. Varney reviewed the recent events at the Fortress. He also reviewed upcoming events.

*Mr. Todd Gibbs, Public Works and Safety* – Mr. Gibbs stated 9 tons of asphalt was spread on Rohr Road. Street lights are being repaired; and, the storm drain on Orchard Lane has been fixed.

*Mr. Michael Flaherty, Development* – Mr. Flaherty stated a lot is going on.

*Mr. Robert Kramer, Intergovernmental Outreach* – Mr. Kramer stated the City of Groveport is having a Veteran's Day celebration and everyone is invited.

*Mr. Guiles Richardson, Neighborhood Preservation and Beautification* – No report.

**ADMINISTRATION'S REPORT**

*Mike Confer, Police Chief* — Mr. Confer stated there have been 774 calls for service since the last meeting. Call volume is down 20%.

*Stacey Boumis, Community Services Director* — Ms. Boumis stated the City received a notice from the Division of Liquor Control regarding the new Sheetz. She asked Council is they wanted to request a hearing on the issuance of a license to sell beer. Council stated they did not want a hear. Ms. Boumis also stated the Planning and Zoning Commission meets tomorrow.

*Michael Corbitt, PE., Deputy Administrator* — Mr. Corbitt stated Butler Farms is getting fiber optic cable next year from AT&T. The City required them to get a bond prior to starting and also share plans for the project. Mr. Varney requested a phasing plan. Mr. Corbitt stated the City only has jurisdiction over the right of way. The contractor can work in the utility easement. The bond is the City's reassurance that the project will be done correctly.

**OLD BUSINESS**

No old business.

**NEW BUSINESS**

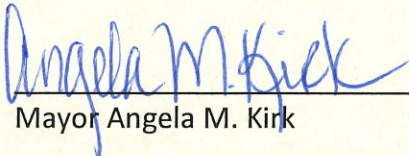
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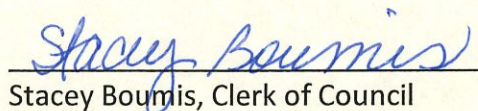
**REMARKS FROM THE AUDIENCE**

No remarks.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Kirk called for a motion to adjourn. Motion made by Mr. Gibbs; seconded by Mr. Kramer. All ayes. Council adjourned at 6:32 PM.

  
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Mayor Angela M. Kirk

  
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Stacey Boumis, Clerk of Council