



**CITY OF OBETZ  
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**

**REGULAR MEETING OF JULY 24, 2023**

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The regular meeting was held in Council Chambers at the Government Center, 4175 Alum Creek Drive, on Monday, July 24, 2023 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. Derek Varney – present; Mr. Mike Kimbler – present; Mr. Todd Gibbs – present. Also present were Brian Jeffers, Deputy Police Chief; Gene Hollins, Esq., Law Director; Stacey Boumis, Community Services Director, and Rod Davisson, Esq., Administrator.

**MINUTES**

Mayor Kirk called for a motion to approve the minutes of the July 10, 2023 meeting. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Gibbs. Voting as follows: Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Varney - yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes. Motion carried.

**PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

Mayor Kirk presented Katelyn Sattler with a proclamation, thanking her for her service to the Obetz community and wishing her well.

**ORDINANCES**

*First Reading*

No first readings.

*Second Reading*

No second readings.

*Third Reading*

Ms. Boumis read the title of Ordinance 20 – 23: An Ordinance To Amend The Financial Management Policies Of The City Of Obetz, Ohio, By Authorizing Department Directors To Approve Purchase Orders Up To A Limit Of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) And Establishing Measures To Ensure The Proper Use Of Public Funds. Mr. Joey Endres (a summer college intern working for Mr. Davisson) explained that this process makes the staff more efficient; 83% of the purchase orders are less than \$10,000 per year. Currently all requisitions must be approved by Mike Corbitt or Rod Davisson. This takes a significant amount of time. All purchase orders are subject to a full audit. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 20 – 23. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Gibbs. Voting as follows: Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Varney - yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes. Motion carried.

### *Emergencies*

Ms. Boumis read the title of Ordinance 24 – 23: An Ordinance To Approve Changes To The 2023 Appropriations For The Current Expenses And Other Expenditures Of The City Of Obetz. Mayor Kirk discussed the Ordinance. She stated additional money is needed for Zucchinifest. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 24 – 23. Motion made by Mr. Flaherty; seconded by Mr. Kimbler. Voting as follows: Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Varney - yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes; Mr. Flaherty. Motion carried. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 24 – 23. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Flaherty. Voting as follows: Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Varney - yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes. Motion carried.

Ms. Boumis read the title of Ordinance 25 – 23: An Ordinance Authorizing The Director Of Finance To Make Payment On A Contract With Fishel Downey Albrecht & Riepenhoff LLP, And Declaring An Emergency. Mr. Endres stated this is a then and now to pay the City's labor attorney. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 25 – 23. Motion made by Mr. Gibbs; seconded by Mr. Kramer. Voting as follows: Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Varney - yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes. Motion carried. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 24 – 23. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Flaherty. Voting as follows: Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Varney - yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes. Motion carried.

### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Kirk stated Zucchinifest is in full swing. The wristband promotion has started. There will be a special entrance and standing room only area for residents. All are welcome. The splashpad is getting a lot of use. There are a million things going on.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

No committee meetings were held. Mr. Varney provided an update of Fortress activities. Mr. Kramer stated the Groveport Madison Health Center is open.

### **ADMINISTRATION'S REPORT**

*Deputy Chief Brian Jeffers, Police Department* – Deputy Chief Jeffers stated there were 1276 calls for service since the last meeting. Officers patrolled 4478 miles.

*Eugene Hollins, Esq., Law Director* – Mr. Hollins thanked Council for approving the then and now for legal services.

*Joey Endres* – Mr. Endres stated this is his second year as an intern. This year he managed the intern program. He discussed topics covered during training sessions. He stated there is a full staff training on Thursday and an employee appreciation afterwards. He then stated this is the last week of youth summer camp. Mayor Kirk thanked Mr. Endres for his work this year. Mr. Davisson stated there are a lot of bright young people in the intern program.

**REMARKS FROM THE AUDIENCE**

No remarks.

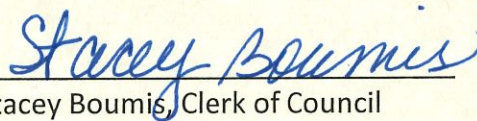
**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mayor Kirk called for a motion to go into executive session under ORC 121.22(g)(8) to discuss economic development. Motion made by Mr. Flaherty; seconded by Mr. Kramer. Voting as follows: Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Varney - yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes. Motion carried. Council adjourned into executive session at 6:30 PM. Council returned from executive session at 7:38 pm with all six members in attendance.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Kirk called for a motion to adjourn. Motion made by Mr. Varney; seconded by Mr. Kimbler. All ayes. Council adjourned at 7:39 PM.

  
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Mayor Angela M. Kirk

  
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Stacey Boumis, Clerk of Council