Michael Corbitt, PE, Deputy Administrator – Mr. Corbitt stated CSX starts work on the railroad crossing on Alum Creek Drive on November 27<sup>th</sup>. The crossing will be closed for up to 10 days.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Hollins stated Obetz received notification from the Division of Liquor Control regarding both Sheetz locations. The southern location wants a D-1 liquor license. The northern location wants a license to sell wine and wine coolers. Mr. Hollins recommended requesting a hearing on the requests. Mr. Flaherty moved to request a hearing; seconded by Mr. Gibbs. Voting as follows: Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes; Mr. Varney – yes. Motion carried.

# **REMARKS FROM THE AUDIENCE**

No remarks.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Kirk called for a motion to adjourn. Motion made by Mr. Kramer; seconded by Mr. Gibbs. All ayes. Council adjourned at 6:25 PM.

Mayor Angela M. Kirk

Stacey Boumis, Clerk of Council

# CITY OF OBETZ RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS



### **REGULAR MEETING OF NOVEMBER 13, 2023**

The regular meeting was held in Council Chambers at the Government Center, 4175 Alum Creek Drive, on Monday, November 13, 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 Mike Confer, Police Chief; Gene Hollins, Esq., Law Director; Stacey Boumis, Community Services Director, and Michael Corbitt, PE, Deputy Administrator.

# **MINUTES**

Mayor Kirk called for a motion to approve the minutes of the October 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting. Motion made by Mr. Flaherty; seconded by Mr. Richardson. Voting as follows: Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes; Mr. Varney – yes. Motion carried.

# **ORDINANCES**

## First Reading

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 50 - 23: An Ordinance To Approve The 2024 Permanent Appropriations Of All Funds For The Current Expenses And Other Expenditures Of The City Of Obetz.

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 51-23: An Ordinance To Amend Chapter 182 Of The Obetz Codified Ordinances To Update The City's Municipal Income Tax Code As Required By State Law, And To Declare An Emergency.

#### Second Reading

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 42-23: An Ordinance Authorizing The City Administrator To Execute A Two-Year Extension To The Existing Contract With The Davey Tree Expert Company. No discussion.

#### Third Reading

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 41 - 23: An Ordinance To Approve And Authorize The City Administrator To Purchase Real Property From Greenlawn Trailer Sales Investment Company Inc, Greenlawn Realty Co, And Shenandoah Partnership And To Enter Into A Development Agreement With The Same And Declaring An Emergency. Mr. Corbitt and Mr. Hollins discussed the Ordinance. Mr. Corbitt stated the City is purchasing 105 acres for \$4.8 million dollars. The purchase will be broken out for sale and tax purposes. The City is not purchasing Enchanted Acres; Enchanted Acres is expanding. Mr. Hollins stated the City is still working out the final details regarding police protection and water and sewer service. Mr. Corbitt stated the City is

taking over the Enchanted Acres water plant. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to adopt the Ordinance. Motion made by Mr. Flaherty; seconded by Mr. Kimbler. Voting as follows: Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes; Mr. Varney – yes. Motion carried.

### **Emergencies**

Ms. Boumis read the title of Ordinance 45 – 23: An Ordinance Canceling The Regularly Scheduled Council Meetings Of November 27, 2023 And December 28, 2023 And Declaring An Emergency. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 45 – 23. Motion made by Mr. Varney; seconded by Mr. Kimbler. Voting as follows: Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes; Mr. Varney – yes. Motion carried. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 45 – 23. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Flaherty. Voting as follows: Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes; Mr. Varney – yes. Motion carried.

Ms. Boumis read the title of Ordinance 46 – 23: An Ordinance Establishing A Special Revenue Fund Titled The PCB Settlement Fund, Fund No. 2909, And Declaring An Emergency. Mr. Corbitt stated these funds are from the Monsanto settlement negotiated by the Ohio Attorney General. A special fund is needed to accept the funds. The funds can only be used for certain items. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 46 – 23. Motion made by Mr. Flaherty; seconded by Mr. Varney. Voting as follows: Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes; Mr. Varney – yes. Motion carried. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 46 – 23. Motion made by Mr. Kramer; seconded by Mr. Flaherty. Voting as follows: Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes; Mr. Varney – yes. Motion carried.

Ms. Boumis read the title of Ordinance 47 – 23: An Ordinance To Approve Changes To The 2023 Appropriations For The Current Expenses And Other Expenditures Of The City Of Obetz. Mr. Corbitt stated the additional appropriations are needed to cover police dispatching fees; insurance for Fortress Obetz during events where alcohol is sold; and a police grant. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 47 – 23. Motion made by Mr. Flaherty; seconded by Mr. Gibbs. Voting as follows: Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes; Mr. Varney – yes. Motion carried. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 47 – 23. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Kramer. Voting as follows: Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes; Mr. Varney – yes. Motion carried.

Ms. Boumis read the title of Ordinance 48-23: An Ordinance Authorizing Annexation Of Municipally Owned Property Contiguous To The Existing Corporation Limits, Pursuant To The Ohio Revised Code Chapter 709 And Authorizing The Director Of Law To Prosecute The Proceedings Necessary To Effect It And Declaring An Emergency. Mr. Hollins stated this is the parcel where the old brick house and white house are located at McClish North. The City already owns the land. This will be an expediated annexation. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to suspend

the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 48 – 23. Motion made by Mr. Flaherty; seconded by Mr. Kimbler. Voting as follows: Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes; Mr. Varney – yes. Motion carried. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 48 – 23. Motion made by Mr. Gibbs; seconded by Mr. Flaherty. Voting as follows: Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes; Mr. Varney – yes. Motion carried.

Ms. Boumis read the title of Ordinance 49 – 23: An Ordinance To Authorize The Mayor To Transfer Land To The Big Walnut Community Improvement Corporation And Declaring An Emergency. Mr. Corbitt stated this is the McClish South piece. It is excess property that will be marketed through the CIC for development. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 49 – 23. Motion made by Mr. Varney; seconded by Mr. Flaherty. Voting as follows: Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes; Mr. Varney – yes. Motion carried. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 49 – 23. Motion made by Mr. Kramer; seconded by Mr. Flaherty. Voting as follows: Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes; Mr. Varney – yes. Motion carried.

Ms. Boumis read the title of Ordinance 52 – 23: An Ordinance Authorizing The City Administrator To Accept A Grant From The Ohio Emergency Management Agency As A Part Of The Ohio First Responder Wellness, Recruitment, Retention, And Resilience Program And Declaring An Emergency. Mr. Corbitt stated an ordinance must be passed to accept this grant. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 52 – 23. Motion made by Mr. Flaherty; seconded by Mr. Richardson. Voting as follows: Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes; Mr. Varney – yes. Motion carried. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 52 – 23. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Kramer. Voting as follows: Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes; Mr. Varney – yes. Motion carried.

#### Tabled

Ordinance 37 – 23 remains tabled.

## **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Kirk congratulated Mr. Flaherty and Mr. Varney on their reelection. She then stated the Christmas Kick-Off is December 8<sup>th</sup>. Fire hydrant flushing schedule has been posted.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

No committee meetings were held. Mr. Kimbler congratulated Mayor Kirk on her reelection.

#### **ADMINISTRATION'S REPORT**

Mike Confer, Police Chief – Since the last meeting there have been 3829 calls for service. Officers drove 4794 miles.