CITY OF OBETZ RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS



REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 28, 2024

The regular meeting of October 28, 2024 was held at 6:00 PM in Council Chambers at the Government Center, 4175 Alum Creek Drive, with Mayor Angela Kirk presiding.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Kirk 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 – absent. Mayor Kirk stated Mr. Gibbs was attending a function with his family. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to excuse Mr. Gibbs. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Kimbler. All ayes. Motion carried. Also present were Gene Hollins, Esq., Law Director; Stacey Boumis, AICP, Clerk; Mike Confer, Police Chief; and, Rod Davisson, Esq. City Administrator.

MINUTES

Mayor Kirk called for a motion to approve the minutes of the October 15th meeting. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Kramer. Voting as follows: Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Varney – yes. Motion carried.

PROCLAMATION

Mayor Kirk presented Sharon Wiseman, owner of Wiseman Dance Studio, with a proclamation. Ms. Wiseman operated the Studio for 57 years.

ORDINANCES

First Readings

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 46 - 24: An Ordinance To Approve The 2025 Permanent Appropriations Of All Funds For The Current Expenses And Other Expenditures Of The City Of Obetz.

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 47 - 24: An Ordinance To Amend The Toy Road Tax Increment Financing Incentive District And To Declare An Emergency.

Second Readings

Ms. Boumis read Ordinance 43-24: An Ordinance Terminating The Government Equipment Replacement Fund (4901), The Toy 629 Grant Fund (4905), And The 2016 Parks Improvement Fund (4903). Mayor Davisson discussed the Ordinance. He stated the City is legally required to separate money into different funds depending on the purpose of how the funds can be spent. Once the purpose is over, the fund must be closed. This requires Council approval. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 43-24. Motion made by Mr. Flaherty; seconded by Mr. Richardson. Voting as follows: Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Varney – yes. Motion carried. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 43-24. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded

by Mr. Flaherty. Voting as follows: Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Varney – yes. Motion carried.

Third Readings

No third readings.

Emergencies

Ms. Boumis read the title of Ordinance 45 – 24: An Ordinance Setting Forth A Statement Of Municipal Services To Be Provided To The Area Contained In A Proposed Annexation Of 85.77 +/- Acres From Hamilton Township To The City Of Obetz Such Land Being Located Along Parsons Avenue And Declaring An Emergency. Mr. Davisson stated this is the annexation of Enchanted Acres. According to Mr. Hollins, the annexation and zoning will be complete by February 2025. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 45 – 24. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Kimbler. Voting as follows: Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Varney – yes. Motion carried. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 45 – 24. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Flaherty. Voting as follows: Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Varney – yes. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Kirk stated thanks to the hard work of Congressman Carey, approximately \$2.65 million dollars has been put into the Federal budget for a new water tower for the City. She then stated that the groundbreaking ceremony for the incubator building was earlier today. There was a great turnout at Fortress Fright Night. Christmas Kick-Off is the next big event.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

No reports.

ADMINISTRATION'S REPORT

Mike Confer, Police Chief — Chief Confer stated the flock cameras helped the City recover a stolen car. A runaway from Butler Farms was also located and returned safely.

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

Rod Davisson, Esq., City Administrator – Mr. Davisson stated he is working on reviews and the 2025 budget as well as a lot of economic development items.

REMARKS FROM THE AUDIENCE

No remarks.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Kirk called for a motion to go into executive session under Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(g)(8) to discuss economic development. Motion made by Mr. Flaherty; seconded by Mr. Varney. Voting as follows: Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Varney – yes. Motion carried. Council went into executive session at 6:22 PM. Council returned from executive session at 8:52 PM with all five members present.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Kirk called for a motion to adjourn. Motion made by Mr. Kimbler; seconded by Mr. Flaherty. All ayes. Council adjourned at 8:53 PM.

Mayor Angela M. Kirk

Stacey Boumis, Clerk of Counci