

**CITY OF OBETZ  
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**



**REGULAR MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 22, 2025**

The regular meeting of September 22, 2025 was held at 6:00 PM in Council Chambers at the Government Center, 4175 Alum Creek Drive, with Mayor Angela 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 Gene Hollins, Esq., Law Director; Stacey Boumis, AICP, Clerk; Mike Confer, Police Chief; and E. Rod Davisson, Esq., City Administrator.

Mayor Kirk called for a motion to excuse Mr. Gibbs. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Kimbler. Voting as follows: Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Varney – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes. Motion carried.

**MINUTES**

Mayor Kirk called for a motion to approve the minutes of the September 8, 2025 meeting. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Gibbs. Voting as follows: Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Varney – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes. Motion carried.

**ORDINANCES**

*First Readings*

Ms. Boumis read the title of Ordinance 53 – 25: An Ordinance To Enact Section 305.056 Of The Codified Ordinances Of The City Of Obetz To Prohibit Parking Or Storage Of Construction Equipment On Any Public Residential Street, And To Declare An Emergency. Ms. Boumis stated there have been a lot of issues this year with people parking construction equipment in neighborhoods. Council discussed what type of equipment is included in the ordinance and the exceptions. Mayor Kirk stated she would like to get this ordinance passed today. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 53 – 25. Motion made by Mr. Flaherty; seconded by Mr. Richardson. Voting as follows: Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Varney – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes. Motion carried. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 53 – 25. Motion made by Mr. Kramer; seconded by Mr. Flaherty. Voting as follows: Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Varney – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes. Motion carried.

*Second Readings*

Ms. Boumis read the title of Ordinance 51 – 25: An Ordinance Authorizing The City Administrator To Enter Into A Development Agreement With Maverick Trace LLC For The Development Of 50 +/- Acres Of Real Property And Declaring An Emergency. Mr. Hollins stated the technical legal issues and reimbursements have been worked out. The only items remaining are the final

technical terms. Mr. Hodge addressed Council. He stated this has been a difficult process but he is happy with the results. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 51 – 25. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Flaherty. Voting as follows: Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Varney – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes. Motion carried. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 51 – 25. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Flaherty. Voting as follows: Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Varney – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes. Motion carried.

### *Third Readings*

No third readings.

### *Emergencies*

Ms. Boumis read the title of Ordinance 52 – 25: An Ordinance To Approve Changes To The 2025 Appropriations For The Current Expenses And Other Expenditures Of The City Of Obetz. Mr. Davisson discussed the Ordinance. He stated the appropriations cover tuition reimbursement, construction inspections, and funds to purchase supplies to fix water main breaks. Mr. Hollins stated construction inspections are a pass-through expense. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 52 – 25. Motion made by Mr. Flaherty; seconded by Mr. Gibbs. Voting as follows: Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Varney – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes. Motion carried. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 52 – 25. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Flaherty. Voting as follows: Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Varney – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes. Motion carried.

Ms. Boumis read the title of Ordinance 54 – 25: An Ordinance Authorizing The Director Of Finance To Make Payment On Contracts With 120 Water, Inc., Zenner USA, And Acme Electric, And Declaring An Emergency. Mr. Davisson discussed these contracts. 120 Water provides lead and copper testing; Zenner USA is the mesh network for the water meters; Acme Electric provides Zucchinifest electric services. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 54 – 25. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Varney. Voting as follows: Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Varney – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes. Motion carried. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 54 – 25. Motion made by Mr. Kramer; seconded by Mr. Flaherty. Voting as follows: Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Varney – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes. Motion carried.

Ms. Boumis read the title of Ordinance 55 – 25: An Ordinance Setting Forth A Statement Of Municipal Services That Will Be Provided To Approximately One Hundred Sixty-Three (163+/-) Acres Of Land In Hamilton Township Upon Annexation To The City Of Obetz, And Declaring An Emergency. Mr. Davisson discussed the Ordinance. He stated this is the annexation of the Metro Park. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 55 – 25. Motion made by Mr. Flaherty; seconded by Mr. Richardson. Voting as follows: Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Varney – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr.

Gibbs – yes. Motion carried. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 55 – 25. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Flaherty. Voting as follows: Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Varney – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes. Motion carried.

Ms. Boumis read the title of Ordinance 56 – 25: An Ordinance Designating The City Of Obetz As A BEE CITY USA® Affiliate And Declaring An Emergency. Mr. Davisson discussed the Ordinance. He stated bees are terribly important as pollinators and the City should try to protect them. This is a national recognition. Mr. Davisson stated this helps Obetz be more competitive for future grants. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to suspend the rules regarding the adoption of Ordinance 56 – 25. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Gibbs. Voting as follows: Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Varney – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes. Motion carried. Mayor Kirk called for a motion to adopt Ordinance 56 – 25. Motion made by Mr. Richardson; seconded by Mr. Flaherty. Voting as follows: Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Varney – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes. Motion carried.

#### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Kirk stated the incubator is coming along beautifully. The City took second place at the Community Cup. Meet and greets with political candidates is happening soon. Follow the monthly calendar for trips and activities geared to older active adults.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

No reports.

#### **ADMINISTRATION'S REPORTS**

Deputy Chief Robert Rigby – Deputy Chief Rigby stated officers have been busy with directed patrols near the incubator building. Since the last meeting there have been 1400 calls for service. Officers have driven 4500 miles. Mayor Kirk stated patrols have been increased in school zones.

Gene Hollins, Esq., Law Director – Mr. Hollins stated Obetz signed on as a party to a Friend of the Court brief that will be submitted to the Ohio Supreme Court for a case related to residential rental property inspections. Mayor Kirk stated this is needed. Mr. Hollins stated absentee landlords are an issue.

Stacey Boumis, AICP – Ms. Boumis stated the October Planning and Zoning Commission meeting is October 8<sup>th</sup>.

E. Rod Davisson, Esq. – Mr. Davisson stated cancer screenings are tomorrow. He then listed other activities underway including the Braehead Park cleanup; the opening of Dunkin Doughnuts; Lowe's red vest volunteer day at the Community Center; and construction of a Habitat for Humanity playhouse funded by K&M and then donated to an Obetz family. He then stated he is preparing two budgets – one scenario if the levy passes; one if it fails. He recommended moving the November and December Council meetings to the middle of the month since there is only



one meeting each month. Mr. Flaherty moved to cancel the November 24 and December 22 Council meetings and move the November 10 meeting to November 17 and the December 8 meeting to December 15; seconded by Mr. Kramer. Voting as follows: Mr. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Varney – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS**

No new business.

**REMARKS FROM THE AUDIENCE**

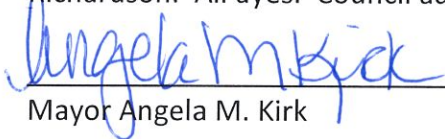
No remarks.

**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. Flaherty – yes; Mr. Kimbler – yes; Mr. Varney – yes; Mr. Kramer – yes; Mr. Richardson – yes; Mr. Gibbs – yes. Motion carried. Council went into executive session at 6:45 PM. Council returned from executive session at 7:30 PM with all six members present.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Kirk called for a motion to adjourn. Motion made by Mr. Gibbs; seconded by Mr. Richardson. All ayes. Council adjourned at 7:31 PM.

  
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Mayor Angela M. Kirk

  
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Stacey Boumis, Clerk of Council