

**NORTH RIDGEVILLE CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 21, 2019**

CALL TO ORDER: 7:30 p.m.

President Corcoran called the Monday, October 21, 2019 Council meeting to order.

INVOCATION:

Led by President Corcoran.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Led by President Corcoran.

ROLL CALL:

Present were Council members Dennis Boose, Martin DeVries, Gregg Westover, President Kevin Corcoran, President Pro-Tem Bruce Abens, Michelle Hung and Robert Chapek.

Also present was Mayor David Gillock, Law Director Brian Moriarty, Safety-Service Director Jeff Armbruster, Auditor Jeff Wilcheck, Engineer Dan Rodriguez, Clerk of Council Nancy Linden and Assistant Clerk of Council Tara Peet.

MINUTES - Corrections (if any) and approval:

President Corcoran asked for any corrections to the City Council meeting minutes of October 7, 2019. No discussion was offered. The minutes stand approved as submitted.

President Corcoran noted that Council received the Administrative Committee meeting minutes of October 7, 2019, the Board of Drainage and Flood Control meeting minutes of July 30, 2019, the Building and Lands Committee meeting minutes of October 7, 2019, the Civil Service Commission meeting minutes of October 15, 2019, the Planning Commission meeting minutes of October 8, 2019 and the Parks and Recreation Commission meeting minutes of September 25, 2019.

LOBBY:

President Corcoran opened the lobby session and stated there would be one lobby session this evening.

He asked anyone that would like to speak to come to the podium and state their name and address for the record. He further added each person will be given three minutes to speak. He requested anyone that wished to speak to fill out a lobby sheet located in the back of the room.

ADMINISTRATORS REPORTS:

A. Mayor: Mayor Gillock stated T 110 is a resolution declaring it necessary to renew an existing tax levy for the purpose of providing and maintaining fire apparatus, appliances and buildings and sites and for the payment of permanent, part-time and volunteer firemen. He also noted that T 111-2019 is a resolution declaring it necessary to renew an existing tax levy for the

purpose of providing and maintaining motor vehicles, communications, and other equipment used directly in the operation of the Police Department and the payment of salaries of permanent police personnel of the city. T 112-2019 is a resolution declaring it necessary to renew an existing tax levy for the purpose of general construction, reconstruction, resurfacing and repair of streets, roads and bridges in the city. Mayor Gillock asked that all three resolutions be passed with the emergency this evening as it is the first step in certifying them to the County to get the dollar amounts generated for the next piece of legislation which actually places it on the ballot in March 2020.

President Corcoran stated the Primary Election is early in 2020. It is actually St. Patrick's Day which is why the process is starting earlier this year.

The Senior Center will be hosting a spaghetti dinner this Friday, October 25 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. at the Senior Center. Cost is \$7 for adults, \$6 for seniors, and \$4 for children 10 and under. All proceeds from the dinner will benefit the Office for Older Adults.

Special Leaf Collection will begin next Tuesday, October 29 thru Tuesday, November 26. Leaves may be placed at the curb in plastic bags on regular trash collection days. After November 26, leaves in plastic bags can only be left out as extra trash each month during bulk pick-up.

Citywide trick-or-treat will be held on Thursday, October 31 from 6-7:30 p.m. Please turn your street or porch light on if you plan to pass out treats to the trick-or-treaters. Please drive with extra caution that evening to ensure the safety of our children.

Bainbridge Road will close between Route 83 and Mitchell Drive on Saturday, November 2 from 8:00-10:30 a.m. for the North Ridgeville Parks & Recreation 6th Annual Stache Dash. The street will reopen immediately following the conclusion of the race.

Mayor Gillock stated the next coffee and conversation will be Monday, November 4 from 8:00-9:00 a.m. in Council Chambers.

B. Safety-Service Director: Safety-Service Director Armbruster stated not to forget about tots trick-or-treat this Friday, October 25. It may be sold out. Contact the Parks and Recreation Department to register.

Safety-Service Director Armbruster stated Center Ridge Road and Root Road bridge construction continues with substantial progress. The goal is to have the bridge open in November, weather permitting. He also noted that Windstream is mostly out of the way.

C. Engineer: Engineer Rodriguez stated he did not have a report for the evening.

D. Auditor: Auditor Wilcheck stated T 114 was a supplemental appropriations to cover a comp time cash out, part-time employee wages in Parks and Recreation and an increase for the

purchase of water out of the water fund. He noted the Service Department had to adjust valves to accommodate pressures throughout the City. The increased cost comes from the purchase of water from Avon versus Elyria.

He noted that T 115-2019 is due to the County by November 1 and he asked for the emergency this evening.

T 116-2019 is a resolution to pay invoices as there was not a fiscal officer's certification in place at invoice. State code requires that anything over \$3,000 must go to Council for approval. He asked that it be adopted this evening.

E. Other Reports: President Corcoran noted Council received the October 2019 Parks and Recreation Director's Report, the September 2019 Fire Department Report, the September 2019 Police Support Car Report and the September 2019 Water Distribution Reports.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORT(S):

Clerk of Council Linden:

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT dated October 7, 2019 which recommends City Council adopt T 98-2019 as submitted.

Moved by Hung and seconded by Boose to accept the Administrative Committee report dated October 7, 2019.

A voice vote was taken and the motion carried.

Yes – 7 No – 0

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

OLD BUSINESS:

Moved by President Corcoran and seconded by Hung to amend something previously adopted which was Resolution Number 1461-2019.

A voice vote was taken and the motion carried.

Yes – 7 No – 0

Clerk of Council Linden:

1461-2019 A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH RIDGEVILLE, OHIO, APPROVING AND RATIFYING AN APPLICATION FOR TAX INCENTIVE IN COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AREA NO. 14 CREATED BY CITY OF NORTH RIDGEVILLE RESOLUTION NO. 768-94 AND SUBSEQUENT AMENDMENTS THERETO, YOUNG EXPLORERS MONTESSORI, LLC, A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY ORGANIZED AND EXISTING UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF OHIO.

President Corcoran noted that Council had an amendment sitting before them. He asked the Law Director to provide a brief explanation on the amendments.

Law Director Moriarty stated the template ordinance had the wrong class number in the body which conflicted with the agreement. Those changes were made. He indicated Mr. Scott has been notified and he agreed to resign the agreement.

President Corcoran also noted that change in the agreement in regard to the breakdown of abatement. He noted the graph didn't match the words and that is being corrected.

Moved by President Corcoran and seconded by Abens to amend 1461-2019 by substitution.

A voice vote was taken and the motion carried.

Yes – 7 No – 0

NEW BUSINESS:

Planning Commission action(s) taken at the October 8, 2019 meeting:

Clerk of Council Linden:

APPLICANT: Sandra L. Madison; Robert P. Madison International, Inc.
1215 Superior Ave, Ste 110, Cleveland, OH 44114

OWNER: William Scott; 59 East Garfield Rd, Aurora, OH 44202

REQUEST: Site plan approval for Young Explorers Montessori Schools with demolition of existing structures.

LOCATION: 36516 Center Ridge Road and 36536 Center Ridge Road; zoned within a B-5 Architectural Business District.
Permanent Parcel Nos. 07-00-028-101-171 & 07-00-028-101-169

PC ACTION: Approved by a vote of 4-0.

Councilman Abens stated the project looked exciting and it had a lot to do with the improvements on Center Ridge. He felt it would be a very attractive building.

Moved by Abens and seconded by Boose to accept the Planning Commission action.

A voice vote was taken and the motion carried.

Yes – 7 No – 0

Clerk of Council Linden:

APPLICANT: Brian Greenfield; TALAN, LLC
36400 Center Ridge Rd, North Ridgeville, Ohio 44039

OWNER: TALAN, LLC
36400 Center Ridge Rd, North Ridgeville, Ohio 44039

REQUEST: Building and parking lot additions with modifications to storm water

management.
LOCATION: Animal Clinic Northview, 36400 Center Ridge Road; zoned within a B-5
Architectural Business District.
Permanent Parcel No. 07-00-028-101-167

PC ACTION: Approved by a vote of 4-0.
(Council action required)

Councilman Abens stated this project was next door to the Montessori school. They are expanding their business and felt there it was also in anticipation of the completion of Center Ridge Road.

Moved by Abens and seconded by Boose to accept the Planning Commission action.

A voice vote was taken and the motion carried.

Yes – 7 No – 0

RECESS:

Moved by Boose and seconded by Abens to dispense with the recess portion of the meeting.

A voice vote was taken and the motion carried.

Yes – 7 No – 0

FIRST READINGS:

Ordinance and Resolution submittal(s)

Clerk of Council Linden:

T 110-2019 A RESOLUTION DECLARING IT NECESSARY TO RENEW AN EXISTING TAX LEVY FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING AND MAINTAINING FIRE APPARATUS, APPLIANCES AND BUILDINGS AND SITES THEREFOR AND FOR THE PAYMENT OF PERMANENT, PART-TIME AND VOLUNTEER FIREMEN, PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 5705.03, 5705.19(I) AND 5705.191 OF THE REVISED CODE.

(Introduced by Mayor Gillock)

Moved by Boose and seconded by Westover to dispense with the second and third readings for T 110.

A voice vote was taken and the motion carried.

Yes – 7 No – 0

Moved by Boose and seconded by Westover to adopt T 110.

Moved by Boose and seconded by Westover to add the emergency clause due to the

timing issues in having this meet the deadline for the Primary Election in 2020.

On the emergency clause, a voice vote was taken and the motion carried.

Yes – 7 No – 0

On the adoption, with the emergency clause, a roll call vote was taken and the motion carried. T 110-2019 becomes **Resolution No. 1464-2019.**

Yes – 7 No – 0

Clerk of Council Linden:

T 111-2019 A RESOLUTION DECLARING IT NECESSARY TO RENEW AN EXISTING TAX LEVY FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING AND MAINTAINING MOTOR VEHICLES, COMMUNICATIONS, AND OTHER EQUIPMENT USED DIRECTLY IN THE OPERATION OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NORTH RIDGEVILLE, OHIO, AND THE PAYMENT OF SALARIES OF PERMANENT POLICE PERSONNEL OF THE CITY OF NORTH RIDGEVILLE, OHIO, PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 5705.03, 5705.19(J) AND 5705.191 OF THE REVISED CODE.

(Introduced by Mayor Gillock)

Moved by Boose and seconded by Westover to dispense with the second and third readings for T 111.

A voice vote was taken and the motion carried.

Yes – 7 No – 0

Moved by Boose and seconded by Westover to adopt T 111.

Moved by Boose and seconded by Westover to add the emergency clause due to the timing issues in having this meet the deadline for the Primary Election in 2020.

On the emergency clause, a voice vote was taken and the motion carried.

Yes – 7 No – 0

On the adoption, with the emergency clause, a roll call vote was taken and the motion carried. T 111-2019 becomes **Resolution No. 1465-2019.**

Yes – 7 No – 0

Clerk of Council Linden:

T 112-2019 A RESOLUTION DECLARING IT NECESSARY TO RENEW AN EXISTING TAX LEVY FOR THE PURPOSE OF GENERAL CONSTRUCTION, RECONSTRUCTION, RESURFACING AND REPAIR OF STREETS, ROADS AND BRIDGES IN THE CITY OF NORTH RIDGEVILLE, OHIO, PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 5705.03, 5705.19(G) AND 5705.191 OF THE REVISED CODE.

(Introduced by Mayor Gillock)

Moved by Boose and seconded by Chapek to dispense with the second and third readings for T 112.

A voice vote was taken and the motion carried.

Yes – 7 No – 0

Moved by Boose and seconded by Hung to adopt T 112.

Moved by Boose and seconded by Chapek to add the emergency clause due to the timing issues in having this meet the deadline for the Primary Election in 2020.

On the emergency clause, a voice vote was taken and the motion carried.

Yes – 7 No – 0

On the adoption, with the emergency clause, a roll call vote was taken and the motion carried. T 112-2019 becomes **Resolution No. 1466-2019**.

Yes – 7 No – 0

Clerk of Council Linden:

T 114-2019 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 5595-2018 OF THE CITY OF NORTH RIDGEVILLE, OHIO, PROVIDING SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE PERIOD COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2019 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2019.

(Introduced by Mayor Gillock)

Moved by Boose and seconded by Hung to dispense with the second and third readings for T 114.

Councilman Boose stated the explanation the Auditor provided about the water transfer is truly half of a million dollars.

Auditor Wilcheck stated that was his estimate to finish the year out.

Councilman Boose stated it was not appropriated and asked where it is coming from and how it will be paid.

Auditor Wilcheck stated there is a sufficient amount of unappropriated funds to accommodate the request.

Councilman Boose asked if there will be an increase in water charges to residents to compensate for this transfer.

Auditor Wilcheck stated he cannot answer that yet. He indicated he will be doing calculations late next month in regard to water rates for 2020. He suspects it will have an impact on the rates.

Councilman Boose asked if he had any idea at this point.

Auditor Wilcheck stated he had no idea at this point.

Councilman Boose stated he didn't follow the reason the Service Department had to adjust the values for the flow of water as for quality and pressure. He noted he has been on Council fifteen years and he didn't recall that ever happening. He asked for the reason behind that.

Auditor Wilcheck stated he will yield to the Safety-Service Director for an explanation.

Safety-Service Director Armbruster stated several years ago it took several months to bring on Elyria water because of pressure. With Center Ridge Road and all the new water lines and water tower with the conversion, there was discussion about water being off to make changes. In preparation, the City received more water from Avon Lake over the summer and cut back on what they were receiving from Elyria. They plan to reallocate and isolate and bring the seventy pound in. The City didn't know what the impact would be. Water rates are done at the end of the year and this was a necessary evil to provide quality and safe water and to not impact water pressure during construction.

Engineer Rodriguez stated Mr. Armbruster's comments were correct. They were avoiding outages with Center Ridge Road. He noted that quality of water from Elyria is not as good due to pressure. The higher pressure comes out of Avon Lake but the cost is greater.

Safety-Service Director Armbruster stated with all the issues on Center Ridge Road, they certainly did not want to interrupt people's water.

Councilman Boose stated it was disappointing they didn't know earlier and could have budgeted for it. He noted that \$500,000 is a lot of money. Councilman Boose stated it was imperative that all residents have good quality water and thanked everyone for making sure that happens. He noted he was just not prepared for the expense.

A voice vote was taken and the motion carried.

Yes – 7 No – 0

Moved by Boose and seconded by DeVries to adopt T 114.

On the adoption, a roll call vote was taken and the motion carried. T 114-2019 becomes **Ordinance No. 5678-2019.**

Yes – 7 No – 0

Moved by Hung and seconded by Chapek to add the emergency clause to Ordinance No. 5678-2019 in order to pay pending bills.

A voice vote was taken and the motion carried.

Yes – 7 No – 0

Clerk of Council Linden:

T 115-2019 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR.

(Introduced by Mayor Gillock)

Moved by Boose and seconded by DeVries to dispense with the second and third readings for T 115.

A voice vote was taken and the motion carried.

Yes – 7 No – 0

Moved by Boose and seconded by DeVries to adopt T 115.

Moved by Boose and seconded by DeVries to add the emergency clause in order to meet the deadline of November 1.

On the emergency clause, a voice vote was taken and the motion carried.

Yes – 7 No – 0

On the adoption, with the emergency clause, a roll call vote was taken and the motion carried. T 115-2019 becomes **Resolution No. 1467-2019.**

Yes – 7 No – 0

Clerk of Council Linden:

T 116-2019 A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS TO THE SHAMROCK COMPANIES INC.

(Introduced by Mayor Gillock)

Moved by Boose and seconded by DeVries to dispense with the second and third readings for T 116.

Councilman Boose asked the Auditor why these expenditures are showing now as he doesn't recall seeing these type of expenditures in the past.

Auditor Wilcheck stated these are reoccurring expenditures dealing with utility bills. A purchase order was not submitted to cover the time frame for the invoices. There are sufficient dollars.

Councilman Boose asked the time frame these invoices were covering.

Auditor Wilcheck stated July, August and September.

Councilwoman Hung asked if this was time sensitive.

Auditor Wilcheck stated yes.

Moved by Hung and seconded by Boose to add the emergency clause to T 116 due to the time sensitive nature.

A voice vote was taken and the motion carried.

Yes – 7 No – 0

President Corcoran stated a vote was not taken yet on the suspension of the second and third readings.

A voice vote was taken and the motion carried.

Yes – 7 No – 0

Moved by Boose and seconded by DeVries to adopt T 116 which already has the emergency clause on it.

On the adoption, with the emergency clause, a roll call vote was taken and the motion carried. T 116-2019 becomes **Resolution No. 1468-2019.**

Yes – 7 No – 0

Clerk of Council Linden:

T 117-2019 AN ORDINANCE EXTENDING THE ASSESSMENT EVALUATION OF CIVIL SERVICE PROMOTIONAL EXAMINATIONS TO AFFIRMATIVELY RECOGNIZE SUCH ASSESSMENT FOR THE POSITIONS OF FIRE CHIEF AND ASSISTANT FIRE CHIEF.

(Introduced by Mayor Gillock)

President Corcoran asked when the test is scheduled.

Mayor Gillock stated there is no emergency there.

Clerk of Council Linden:

T 118-2019 AN ORDINANCE EXTENDING THE ASSESSMENT EVALUATION OF CIVIL SERVICE PROMOTIONAL EXAMINATIONS TO AFFIRMATIVELY RECOGNIZE SUCH ASSESSMENT FOR THE POSITIONS OF POLICE CHIEF AND POLICE CAPTAIN.

(Introduced by Mayor Gillock)

Law Director Moriarty stated the state civil service laws provide for these positions. In the contract as written, the City doesn't have anything on the books for civil service procedures or within the contracts. The City is catching up with state law.

President Corcoran stated there is currently a vacancy.

Moved by President Corcoran and seconded by Boose to dispense with the second and third readings for T 118.

A voice vote was taken and the motion carried.

Yes – 7 No – 0

Moved by President Corcoran and seconded by Westover to adopt T 118.

Moved by President Corcoran and seconded by Boose to add the emergency clause due to the vacancy in the Police Department.

On the emergency clause, a voice vote was taken and the motion carried.

Yes – 7 No – 0

On the adoption, with the emergency clause, a roll call vote was taken and the motion carried. T 118-2019 becomes **Ordinance No. 5679-2019.**

Yes – 7 No – 0

SECOND READINGS: None.

THIRD READINGS: None.

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The next City Council meeting will be Monday, November 4, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. in City Council Chambers.


ADJOURNMENT:

President Corcoran adjourned the meeting at 8:12 p.m.

Approval of minutes on November 4, 2019:



PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL



CLERK OF COUNCIL