

**NORTH RIDGEVILLE CITY COUNCIL  
MEETING MINUTES  
JULY 5, 2017**

**CALL TO ORDER:** 7:30 P.M.

President Corcoran: Calling to order the Wednesday, July 5, 2017 rescheduled Council meeting.

**INVOCATION:**

Led by President Corcoran.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Led by President Corcoran.

**ROLL CALL:**

Present were Council members Dennis Boose, Bruce Abens, Bernadine Butkowski, Roseanne Johnson, Robert Chapek, Gregg Westover and President Kevin Corcoran.

Also present was Mayor G. David Gillock, Safety-Service Director Jeff Armbruster, Law Director Andrew Crites, Auditor Jeffrey Wilcheck, Assistant City Engineer Cathy Becker and Clerk of Council Tara L. Peet.

**MINUTES - Corrections (if any) and approval:**

President Corcoran: You have before you the City Council minutes of June 19, 2017. Are there any objections or corrections to approving those minutes? Seeing none, those minutes are approved.

President Corcoran: Please note we received the Employee Safety Committee minutes of June 22, 2017 and the Tax Abatement Review Board minutes of June 19, 2017.

**LOBBY:**

President Corcoran: We are only going to have one lobby session this evening. We are opening up lobby session right now. If you would like to speak, please step up to the podium. You will be given three minutes to speak. Would anybody like to speak?

Sandy Williams, 33909 Bainbridge Road asked once the legislation is brought forward, how long will it take to adopt and put into effect.

Councilman Boose: Mr. President, since no one else is answering Ms. Williams, I will. Again, I brought it up at appropriations and this Council floor – it is not our money, it is your money. It needs to be refunded. It has been a year since the rebate on the utility bills ended. We brought it up to Council and the Administration nine months ago, wait for a new Auditor, wait for appropriations. We waited for the storm water management fee and although I did not want to wait and I will go on record for stating in the committee I did not want to wait. I wanted to do it now because it is not our money and I agree with you and if it is brought to Council and it is something that I believe is favorable to the residents. Again, I have not seen the legislation – I will do everything possible to encourage my fellow Council people to pass it immediately.

Mayor Gillock: Thank you Mr. President. We have been working on this for some time. Yes we originally wanted to wait for the storm water utility which is oncoming. We have proactively at this point, taken the action that we will be introducing legislation July 17<sup>th</sup>. We wanted to make sure that the numbers were right. All the money that this City has is the taxpayers dollars and we want to manage that money properly, make sure that we return any extra, maintain enough to keep reserves if we have a big flood as we have had in the past and we had to bring Republic in and do clean ups – we need money to be able to pay for that. We had to determine what we wanted to keep in there and then we will be bringing forth the legislation on July 17<sup>th</sup>. It will be up to Council at what speed it is passed – whether it is passed quickly or later than that. An amount of money will be returned to the residents that we feel in our best fiduciary responsibility we do not need to hang onto. Thank you.

President Corcoran: Ms. Williams, when it is brought up, it will happen fast. Anybody else?

President Corcoran: Moving on to the Administrator's reports. Mayor, you are up first.

#### **ADMINISTRATORS REPORTS:**

**A. Mayor:** Thank you Mr. President. First I want to thank the Fire Department and all the businesses and individuals that donated to the Fire Department for the fireworks. On July 3<sup>rd</sup>, the fireworks were very good and well attended. The crowd was huge. People were watching from the schools and up on Center Ridge Road and on Route 83. Anywhere they could find a parking lot, it was packed. We really appreciate that.

The Service Department is finishing up the paving in the Presidential Estates off of Lear Nagle and will move on to Pitts Blvd and Wil-Lou in the coming days. With a total of twenty-two streets on the list to be paved this season, the streets department is doing a phenomenal job moving through the list.

Work will begin at the intersection of Route 83 and Mills Road in preparation for the construction of the roundabout starting as early as Monday, July 10. Work will consist of waterline installation and construction of a temporary road with minimal impact to the traffic flow in this area. Then, approximately the first week in August, this intersection will be closed to begin constructing the roundabout and will remain closed for approximately 60 days. Updates will be posted to the City's website when they become available.

Republic Services moved trash collection to a one day service citywide the week of June 12th. All trash is collected on Tuesdays, eliminating Monday service. We are starting week four, and we expected there would be some bumps along the way transitioning to one day pick-up. However, we are still receiving calls from residents that their trash was not collected. The number of calls is fewer; however, this is still unacceptable. We are continuing to work with Republic Services to ensure that all customers receive weekly service. Remember, your pick up time may have changed. All trash needs to be at curbside by 6:00 a.m. each Tuesday to ensure

you don't miss the collection on your street because the routes and times may vary from week to week.

The Parks & Recreation Department is hosting free movies in the park all summer long. Unfortunately the weather has not been very cooperative so we haven't successfully shown a movie to date. We are not giving up. Pack up the family, chairs and a picnic dinner and head over to South Central Park on Friday, July 14 at dusk to watch "Moana." For updates or for cancellations due to weather, visit the Parks & Recreation Department's website and click on the rainout line tab or call the rainout line at (440) 210-6226, or download the Rainout Line app.

I'm glad to announce the intersection at Chestnut and Lear Nagle at all four sections is open and up-to-date. We are glad to see that happen. That concludes my report.

President Corcoran: Thank you Mayor. Mr. Safety-Service Director.

**B. Safety-Service Director:** To add to the Chestnut Ridge opening at Lear Nagle – the new light will be functioning appropriately on Friday or possibly tomorrow. We are moving that traffic. I wondered when I was on Root Road coming over here, there wasn't a lot of traffic. It certainly has helped substantially. That concludes my report.

President Corcoran: Ms. Assistant Engineer.

**C. Assistant Engineer:** Thank you. Animal waste is one of the many small sources of pollution that can add up to problems for storm water quality. Storm water runoff carries animal waste into our storm sewer system, rivers and lakes. Animal waste contains nutrients that cause excessive growth of algae and weeds in storm water storage basins and lakes. It also contains pathogens, disease causing bacteria and viruses which can make local waters unsafe for swimming and fishing. Polluting storm water can kill or damage plants, fish and wildlife, in addition to degrading the quality of our water. The solution to prevent this pollution is to pick up after your pet and dispose of the waste in the garbage. That concludes my report.

President Corcoran: Thank you. Mr. Auditor.

**D. Auditor:** Thank you. One item for this evening – T 65 is an ordinance approving the tax budget that is to be adopted by July 15<sup>th</sup>. I believe our next meeting is July 17<sup>th</sup> so I ask that it be passed tonight so I can file with the County Auditor's office by July 20<sup>th</sup>.

**E. Other Reports:** President Corcoran: We have the May 2017 Mayor's Court report, the May 2017 Police Department report, the June 2017 Parks and Recreation Director's report and the June 19, 2017 Tax Abatement Review Board report.

**COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORT(S):** None.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Clerk of Council Peet:

A memo from the Assistant Engineer requesting final acceptance of Waterside Place, Phase 2, at Waterbury; and

A memo from the Assistant Engineer requesting final acceptance of Waterbury Subdivision, Phase 7.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:** None.

**RECESS:**

President Corcoran: Would anyone like a recess?

Moved by Johnson and seconded by Butkowski to dispense with the recess.

President Corcoran: Are there any comments or questions on the motion? All those in favor say yes. Those opposed say no.

Yes – 7                      No – 0

President Corcoran: Moving on to first readings, we have T 62.

**FIRST READINGS:**

**Ordinance and Resolution submittal(s)**

Clerk of Council Peet:

**T 62-2017** AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE FINAL PLAT OF MEADOW LAKES, SUBDIVISION 13, IN THE MEADOW LAKES PCD FOR RECORDING PURPOSES ONLY.

**(Introduced by Mayor Gillock; Public hearing 08/07/2017)**

President Corcoran: T 63.

Clerk of Council Peet:

**T 63-2017** AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE FINAL PLAT OF LIFESTYLES OF MEADOW LAKES, PHASE 1, IN THE MEADOW LAKES PCD FOR RECORDING PURPOSES ONLY.

**(Introduced by Mayor Gillock; Public hearing 08/07/2017)**

President Corcoran: T 64.

Clerk of Council Peet:

**T 64-2017** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1240.01 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NORTH RIDGEVILLE, OHIO, KNOWN AS THE ZONING CODE ORDINANCE, TO REZONE THE FOLLOWING

LAND: LOCATED AT SUGAR RIDGE ROAD AND BENDER ROAD;  
PARCEL NUMBER 07-00-047-000-111 AND OWNED BY TRIPLE SEVEN,  
LLC FROM R-1 RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO I-2 LIGHT INDUSTRIAL  
DISTRICT.

**(Introduced by petition of Triple Seven, LLC; Public hearing 08/07/2017)**

President Corcoran: I will refer that to the Planning Commission and the Building and Lands Committee. T 65.

Clerk of Council Peet:

**T 65-2017** AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AND APPROVING THE BUDGET OF THE CITY OF NORTH RIDGEVILLE, OHIO FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2018 IN THE FORMAT PRESCRIBED BY THE LORAIN COUNTY AUDITOR AND SUBMITTING SAME TO THE LORAIN COUNTY AUDITOR.

**(Introduced by Mayor Gillock; Public hearing 07/05/2017)**

Moved by President Corcoran and seconded by Butkowski to dispense with the second and third readings for T 65.

President Corcoran: Are there any comments or questions on the motion? All those in favor say yes. Those opposed say no.

Yes – 7                      No – 0

Moved by President Corcoran and seconded by Johnson to adopt T 65.

Moved by President Corcoran and seconded by Butkowski to add the emergency to T 65 to meet the County deadline of July 15<sup>th</sup>.

President Corcoran: On the emergency clause, are there any comments or questions? All those in favor say yes. Those opposed say no.

Yes – 7                      No – 0

President Corcoran: On the adoption now with the emergency, are there any comments or questions?

Councilman Boose: Mr. President, just to note as the Auditor indicated – other than the obligations the City has already incurred through debt service obligations and other contractual obligations, nothing in this budget is approved or appropriated that is something that will lead to discussion at a later date. Thank you.

President Corcoran: Clerk, please call the roll.

Clerk of Council Peet: The motion carries and becomes **Ordinance number 5469-2017**.

Yes – 7

No – 0

President Corcoran: T 66.

Clerk of Council Peet:

**T 66-2017** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING EXHIBIT “A” OF THE DEPARTMENT  
HEAD SALARY ORDINANCE NO. 2725-93 AND SUBSEQUENT  
AMENDMENTS THERETO.

**(Introduced by Mayor Gillock)**

President Corcoran: I will refer that to the Finance Committee.

Clerk of Council Peet:

**T 67-2017** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF  
NORTH RIDGEVILLE TO PURCHASE AN ASPHALT TRAILER  
RECYCLER FOR THE SERVICE DEPARTMENT FROM THE STATE BID  
LIST OR STATE CO-OP, OR TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO  
A CONTRACT WITH AN OUTSIDE VENDOR ACCORDING TO LAW AND  
IN A MANNER PRESCRIBED BY LAW, NOT TO EXCEED \$75,000.00.

**(Introduced by Mayor Gillock)**

President Corcoran: That is the end of first readings. We have no second readings.

**SECOND READINGS:** None.

**THIRD READINGS:**

Clerk of Council Peet:

**T 53-2017** AN ORDINANCE CREATING CHAPTER 875 “MEDICAL MARIJUANA”  
**Amended** FOR THE REGULATION OF BUSINESS ACTIVITY INVOLVING THE  
CULTIVATION, PROCESSING AND DISPENSING OF MEDICAL  
MARIJUANA.

**(Introduced by President Corcoran; Committee of the Whole on 05/01/2017; Report accepted on  
05/15/2017; First reading 06/05/2017; Second reading 06/19/2017; Amended on the floor 06/19/2017)**

Moved by Boose and seconded by Johnson to adopt T 53 Amended.

President Corcoran: Are there any comments or questions on the motion? Clerk, please call the roll.

Councilman Westover: Mr. President, I have a question – meaning we are adopting the ordinance stating we are not going to increase the moratorium?

President Corcoran: This is an amended ordinance that prohibits the cultivation, processing and dispensing of medical marijuana in City limits.

Clerk of Council Peet: The motion carries and becomes **Ordinance number 5470-2017.**

Yes – 5

No – 2 (Westover, Johnson)

**MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

President Corcoran: We have a Committee of the Whole – Monday, July 17, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. re: T 51 & T 54; T 64-2017 public hearing – Monday, August 7, 2017 at 7:15 p.m.; T 62-2017 public hearing – Monday, August 7, 2017 at 7:20 p.m.; T 63-2017 public hearing – Monday, August 7, 2017 at 7:25 p.m. and our next regular Council meeting will be held Monday, July 17<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. here in Council Chambers.

Councilman Westover: Mr. President, I wanted to thank the Administration, Mayor and Safety-Service Director and Chief of Police for their prompt response to the traffic on Avalon. There have been more patrols. Neighbors have seen more officers and thanked me. I want to thank them for getting it done.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

President Corcoran: This meeting is adjourned. The meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

Approval of minutes on July 17, 2017:



PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL



CLERK OF COUNCIL