

**NORTH RIDGEVILLE CITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF PUBLIC HEARING  
JULY 2, 2018**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

President Corcoran called the public hearing to order at 7:15 p.m.

**ATTENDANCE:**

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

Also present was Mayor Gillock, Clerk of Council Nancy Linden, Safety-Service Director Jeff Armbruster and Auditor Jeff Wilcheck.

**READING OF NOTICE:**

Clerk of Council Linden read the notice aloud.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

President Corcoran opened the public hearing and asked Mr. Wilcheck to speak on the tax budget.

Auditor Wilcheck stated the tax budget is required by state law. It justifies the collection of property tax that the City has. It focuses on the General Fund and all other funds that receive property tax. These are all estimates and will be revised as the City goes through appropriations.

Auditor Wilcheck stated Lorain County did reappraisals of residential properties. The residential real estate has increased. It has increased about \$195,000 more. Auditor Wilcheck again stated the numbers before Council are just estimates. He stated the General Fund will pick up an increase due to reappraisal. There will be slight increases in the levies but not much.

Auditor Wilcheck stated Schedule III deals with debt service funds. Schedule IV is all other funds and what he anticipated coming in for those other funds based on past knowledge and trend. As appropriations happen, the numbers will be fine-tuned.

Auditor Wilcheck stated the tax budget will cap how much can be appropriated from each fund and it will be amended as he goes.

Auditor Wilcheck stated the tax budget will need adopted with the emergency on July 16 to be at the County Auditor's office by July 20.

Councilman Boose asked about Schedule I which shows about a thirty million dollar reduction from the 2018 tax budget. He asked Auditor Wilcheck if that sounded correct.

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Auditor Wilcheck stated he anticipated at that time the potential increase based on two hundred new homes being constructed in the City. He stated his estimate was probably high.

Councilman Boose wondered if he used the same method as last year since he was so far off.

Auditor Wilcheck stated he could be high again, but the estimates will be refined.

Auditor Wilcheck stated the purpose of the hearing was to see if there were any comments from the public too.

President Corcoran asked if there were any other comments from the Council. No further discussion was offered.

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**ADJOURNMENT:**

President Corcoran adjourned the public hearing at 7:24 p.m.

These minutes were approved at the regular meeting of the North Ridgeville City Council on July 16, 2018.

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PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

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CLERK OF COUNCIL