

Dennis Boose, Ward 2 and Chair
Georgia Awig, At-Large
Clifford Winkel, Ward 4



UTILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING
POLICE DEPARTMENT TRAINING ROOM
AGENDA OF TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2023
6:00 PM

REVISED

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Utilities Committee Meeting Minutes dated April 18, 2022
(Committee action required)

NEW BUSINESS

T 175-2022 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING N.R.C.O. SECTION 1044.02 CONNECTION CHARGES BY
ADDING SUBSECTION (L).
(Introduced by Council Member Winkel)

French Creek Rate Study

ADJOURNMENT

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**NORTH RIDGEVILLE CITY COUNCIL
UTILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 6:20 p.m.
MONDAY, APRIL 18, 2022**

To Order:

Chairman Dennis Boose called the Utilities Committee meeting to order at 6:20 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Attendance:

Members present were Chairman Dennis Boose, Councilwoman Georgia Awig, and Councilman Clifford Winkel.

Also present: Mayor Kevin Corcoran, President Jason Jacobs, Councilman Bruce Abens, Councilwoman Holly Swenk, City Engineer Daniel Rodriguez Assistant Clerk of Council Fijabi Gallam.

Minutes:

Chairman Boose asked for any corrections to the minutes of January 4, 2021. No discussion was offered. Minutes approved as presented.

Under Review:

T 64-2022 AN ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTING NORTH RIDGEVILLE CODIFIED ORDINANCE 1046, WATER.

Mayor Corcoran remarked that there are 12 private streets in the city and their water systems are private as well. There have been discussions about whether or not the City should be maintaining some portion of the private streets' water lines. He noted there are pros and cons to this. The residents on the private streets are still paying the same water rate as everyone else in the City of North Ridgeville.

The proposed ordinance is allowing the City to take care of any line that is six inches or larger on private streets. This ordinance would allow the City to take over some of the maintenance that's required for the lines. Some of the main lines are old.

Chairman Boose wanted to know if any of the lines are considered the mainline or a particular line to the residents.

Engineer Rodriguez remarked that it's only the main lines the City would maintain.

Mayor Corcoran added that anything that's six inches or larger would be a mainline.

Councilman Winkel wanted to know the size of the mainline on Scotch Pine Way and if it would have been covered under the new ordinance.

Engineer Rodriguez remarked that it was a six-inch water mainline and it would have been covered under this proposed legislation. He added that there is a letter in the record that was submitted to one of the associations that the City would maintain the waterline. Engineer Rodriguez wanted to implement an ordinance to illustrate a standard process for all communities in North Ridgeville. The water system affects everyone in the city. The proposed ordinance also establishes an easement for the City to fix mainlines on private streets.

Councilman Winkel agreed with Engineer Rodriguez that there could be an issue if the association takes care of the water main line which could affect the city as a whole.

Councilman Awig wanted to know if this is the same procedure for public streets.

Engineer Rodriguez remarked that the procedures are the same for the right of way.

Chairman Boose remarked that the ordinance stated the City could remove impediments. He wanted to know if this would be at the City's expense and if the City would not have to replace anything, like a sidewalk. Most water lines are not under a sidewalk. He explained that it would be a burden to the City to add additional costs besides maintaining private street mainlines.

Engineer Rodriguez responded that it would be at the City's expense to remove impediments, but would not replace a sidewalk if needed to remove to get to a water line.

Councilwoman Swenk wanted to know if it would be the Homeowners Association's responsibility to replace their sidewalks or curbs.

Engineer Rodriguez responded with a yes.

Councilman Jacobs wanted to know if the City service any water lines that are less than six inches.

Engineer Rodriguez remarked that in the cul-de-sac areas the City services four-inch water lines in the public right away. He believed that there is one private street that has four feeder waterlines. The standard waterline is six inches.

Councilman Abens wanted to know if all the homes on private streets have their own shutoffs.

Engineer Rodriguez responded with a yes.

Chairman Boose asked for any questions or comments from the Council members. No comments were offered.

Moved by Winkel and seconded by Awig to send the Ordinance back to City Council for consideration.

A voice vote was taken and the motion carried.

Yes – 3

No – 0

Adjournment:

Chairman Boose adjourned the meeting at 6:33 p.m.

Date Approved: _____

Fijabi Gallam, MMC
Assistant Clerk of Council

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DATE: December 19, 2022 1ST READING: December 19, 2022
INTRODUCED BY: Council Member Winkel 2ND READING: _____
REFERRED BY: _____ 3RD READING: _____
TEMPORARY NO: T 175-2022 ADOPTED: _____
EFFECTIVE: _____

ORDINANCE NO. -2022

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING N.R.C.O. SECTION 1044.02
CONNECTION CHARGES BY ADDING SUBSECTION (L).**

WHEREAS, N.R.C.O. Section 1044.02 needs to be amended by adding a new subsection (l) for existing single-family dwellings currently served by septic systems.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH RIDGEVILLE, LORAIN COUNTY, OHIO, THAT:

SECTION 1. N.R.C.O. Section 1044.02 is hereby amended by adding subsection (l) as follows:

- (l) For existing single-family dwellings currently served by septic systems, the calculated tap-in fee will be determined by using the year the sanitary sewer project (to make sanitary sewers available) was commenced.

SECTION 2. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were conducted in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in accordance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 3. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: _____
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

ATTEST: _____
CLERK OF COUNCIL

APPROVED: _____
MAYOR