

**NORTH RIDGEVILLE CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
March 7, 2022**

CALL TO ORDER:

President Jacobs called the Monday, March 7, 2022, Council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

INVOCATION:

Led by President Jacobs.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Led by President Jacobs.

ROLL CALL:

Present were Council members President Jason Jacobs, Holly A. Swenk, Dennis Boose, President Pro-Tem Bruce Abens, Clifford Winkel, Georgia Awig, and Martin DeVries.

Also present were Mayor Kevin Corcoran, Law Director Brian Moriarty, City Engineer Daniel Rodriguez, Auditor April Wilkerson, Clerk of Council Nancy Linden, and Assistant Clerk of Council Fijabi Julien-Gallam.

MINUTES - Corrections (if any) and approval:

President Jacobs asked if there were any corrections to the City Council meeting minutes dated February 22, 2022. No discussion was offered. The meeting minutes stand approved as submitted.

President Jacobs noted that the Civil Service Commission meeting minutes dated February 28, 2022, were provided to City Council.

LOBBY:

President Jacobs opened the lobby session. 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 that each person is allowed three minutes to speak.

No comments from the public.

ADMINISTRATORS REPORTS:

A. Mayor:

Mayor Corcoran remarked that there are several pieces of legislation on the agenda that are requesting the emergency passage – T 38-2022, T 40-2022, T 37-2022, T 20-2022, and T 24-2022.

Mayor Corcoran congratulated the North Ridgeville Fire Department for recently receiving an improved ISO rating. Insurance Services Office, Inc. recently announced that the City's fire insurance rating has improved. A fire score, or Public Protection Classification, is a score from 1 to 10 that indicates how well-protected a community is by its fire department, where a lower number is better. North Ridgeville improved to Class 3 from a previous rating of Class 4. A rating of 5 is the median and the most common rating for fire departments. A Class 3 rating puts North Ridgeville in the top 14% of fire departments in the nation.

Mayor Corcoran remarked that this year's State of North Ridgeville Address was sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce and the event in its entirety is available on the city's website at nridgeville.org to view. The Mayor presented alongside School Superintendent Roxann Ramsey-Caserio on why North Ridgeville is the best place to live, learn, work and play. He expressed that it was a very informative and interactive session.

Mayor Corcoran concluded his report.

B. Safety-Service Director:

No Report was presented.

C. Engineer:

No Report was presented.

D. Auditor:

Auditor Wilkerson requested the City Council to adopt the following legislation with the emergency clause to provide the Auditor's office with the resources necessary to meet the City's financial obligations.

- T 43-2022 Appropriation Amendment
- T 44-2022 – Then and Now Resolution

President Jacobs noted that the City's Auditor has submitted the January 2022 Financial Report.

E. Other Reports:

President Jacobs noted that Council received the following reports:

- February 2022 Building Department Report
- February 2022 Fire Department Report

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORT(S):

There were none.

CORRESPONDENCE:

There were none.

OLD BUSINESS:

There were none.

NEW BUSINESS:

Transfer Liquor Permit Request:

A request from the Ohio Division of Liquor Control for a transfer of permit request for Sunrise Marathon LLC, at 8995 Avon Belden Road to Villager Fuel & Food Stop LLC, at 8995 Avon Belden Road.

(Council action required - move to not request a hearing so that this permit can be sent to the state for final disposition by March 28, 2022)

Moved by Boose and seconded by Abens to not request a hearing, so that this permit could be sent to the state for final disposition by March 28, 2022.

A voice vote was taken and the motion carried.

Yes – 7 No – 0

RECESS:

Moved by Winkel and seconded by DeVries to dispense with recess.

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 38-2022 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NORTH RIDGEVILLE, OHIO, TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH ANDRITZ-SEPARATION, INC., OR A LOCAL ANDRITZ CONTRACT REPRESENTATIVE, FOR THE REPAIR OF CENTRIFUGE #2 AT THE

FRENCH CREEK WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT, NOT TO EXCEED
\$200,000.00.

(Introduced by Mayor Corcoran)

Moved by Mayor Corcoran and seconded by Boose to dispense with the second and third readings for T 38-2022.

A voice vote was taken and the motion carried.

Yes – 7 No – 0

Moved by Mayor Corcoran and seconded by Boose to add the emergency clause to repair a centrifuge.

Mayor Corcoran noted that this replacement was not budgeted, but from time to time centrifuges break.

Auditor Wilkerson explained that the replacement was on the department's capital project and improvement spreadsheet, but was not included in the rate study. The interceptor repair was pushed to 2023, so the fund would be used to repair the centrifuge.

A voice vote was taken on the emergency clause and the motion carried.

Yes – 7 No – 0

Moved by Mayor Corcoran and seconded by Boose to adopt T 38-2022 with the emergency clause.

A roll call vote was taken on the adoption, with the emergency, and the motion carried. T 38-2022 becomes **Ordinance number 5913-2022**.

Yes – 7 No – 0

Clerk of Council Linden:

T 39-2022 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING N.R.C.O. SECTION 1444.12
MISCELLANEOUS PERMIT FEES BY AMENDING CERTAIN
SUBSECTIONS.

(Introduced by Mayor Corcoran)

Councilman Winkel remarked that the discussion regarding N.R.C.O Section 1444.12 started in 2021 to do minor language changes for the Building Department.

This ordinance moved forward to Second Reading.

Clerk of Council Linden:

T 40-2022 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DISPOSAL OF VEHICLES AND
EQUIPMENT NO LONGER NEEDED FOR MUNICIPAL PURPOSES.

(Introduced by Mayor Corcoran)

Moved by Mayor Corcoran and seconded by Winkel to dispense with the second and third readings for T 40-2022.

A voice vote was taken and the motion carried.

Yes – 7 No – 0

Moved by Mayor Corcoran and seconded by Winkel to add the emergency clause to sell the items at an auction on March 19, 2022

A voice vote was taken on the emergency clause and the motion carried.

Yes – 7 No – 0

Moved by Mayor Corcoran and seconded by Winkel to adopt T 40-2022 with the emergency clause.

A roll call vote was taken on the adoption, with the emergency, and the motion carried. T 40-2022 becomes **Ordinance number 5914-2022**.

Yes – 7 No – 0

Clerk of Council Linden:

T 41-2022 A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE WITH MODIFICATION THE APPLICATION MADE BY JAYNE M. ELLIOT TO HAVE CERTAIN LAND OWNED BY THEM DESIGNATED AS BEING LOCATED WITHIN AN AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT.

(Introduced by Mayor Corcoran)

This ordinance moved forward to Second Reading.

Clerk of Council Linden:

T 42-2022 A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE WITH MODIFICATION THE APPLICATION MADE BY JOSEPH M. AND JOYCE MARIE SOLOMON TO HAVE CERTAIN LAND OWNED BY THEM DESIGNATED AS BEING LOCATED WITHIN AN AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT.

(Introduced by Mayor Corcoran)

This ordinance moved forward to Second Reading.

Clerk of Council Linden:

T 43-2022 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 5889-2021 OF THE CITY OF NORTH RIDGEVILLE, OHIO, PROVIDING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE PERIOD COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2022, AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2022.

(Introduced by Mayor Corcoran)

Moved by DeVries and seconded by Boose to dispense with the second and third readings for T 43-2022.

A voice vote was taken and the motion carried.

Yes – 7 No – 0

Moved by DeVries and seconded by Boose to add the emergency clause to provide the Auditor's office with the necessary financial resources.

A voice vote was taken on the emergency clause and the motion carried.

Yes – 7 No – 0

Moved by DeVries and seconded by Boose to adopt T 43-2022 with the emergency clause.

A roll call vote was taken on the adoption, with the emergency, and the motion carried. T 43-2022 becomes **Ordinance number 5915-2022**.

Clerk of Council Linden:

T 44-2022 A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION OF THEN AND NOW CERTIFICATES BY THE FISCAL OFFICER AND THE PAYMENT OF AMOUNTS DUE FOR VARIOUS PURCHASE ORDERS.

(Introduced by Mayor Corcoran)

Moved by DeVries and seconded by Boose to dispense with the second and third readings for T 44-2022.

A voice vote was taken and the motion carried.

Yes – 7 No – 0

Moved by DeVries and seconded by Boose to add the emergency clause to provide the Auditor's office with the necessary financial resources to pay purchase orders on time.

A voice vote was taken on the emergency clause and the motion carried.

Yes – 7 No – 0

Moved by DeVries and seconded by Boose to adopt T 44-2022 with the emergency clause.

A roll call vote was taken on the adoption, with the emergency, and the motion carried. T 44-2022 becomes **Resolution number 1558-2022**.

SECOND READINGS:

Clerk of Council Linden:

T 31-2022 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH FEABS VENTURES TOKWYTT, INC. FOR THE

PURCHASE OF A PARCEL OF VACANT LAND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$367,500.00, PLUS \$2,234.05 FOR PAYMENT OF THE 2021 REAL ESTATE TAXES, AND ANY ADDITIONAL COSTS SUCH AS CUSTOMARY CLOSING COSTS.

(Introduced by Mayor Corcoran; First Reading on 02/22/2022)

Moved by Mayor Corcoran and seconded by Boose to dispense with the third reading for T 31-2022.

A voice vote was taken and the motion carried.

Yes – 7 No – 0

Moved by Mayor Corcoran and seconded by Boose to add the emergency clause to purchase FEABS Ventures Tokwytt, INC's property in a timely manner.

A voice vote was taken on the emergency clause and the motion carried.

Yes – 7 No – 0

Moved by Mayor Corcoran and seconded by Boose to adopt T 31-2022 with the emergency clause.

A roll call vote was taken on the adoption, with the emergency, and the motion carried. T 31-2022 becomes **Ordinance number 5916-2022**.

Clerk of Council Linden:

T 32-2022 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING N.R.C.O. SECTION 1044.01, USER CHARGES (SEWER), BY ADDING A SUBSECTION ENTITLED BILLING CORRECTIONS.

(Introduced by Mayor Corcoran; First Reading on 02/22/2022)

This ordinance moved forward to Third Reading.

Clerk of Council Linden:

T 33-2022 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING N.R.C.O. SECTION 1058.11, BILLING AND COLLECTION (STORMWATER), BY ADDING A SUBSECTION ENTITLED BILLING CORRECTIONS.

(Introduced by Mayor Corcoran; First Reading on 02/22/2022)

This ordinance moved forward to Third Reading.

Clerk of Council Linden:

T 34-2022 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING N.R.C.O. CHAPTER 1060, GARBAGE AND REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL, BY ADDING A SECTION ENTITLED BILLING CORRECTIONS.

(Introduced by Mayor Corcoran; First Reading on 02/22/2022)

This ordinance moved forward to Third Reading.

Clerk of Council Linden:

T 37-2022 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT ACCORDING TO LAW AND IN A MANNER PRESCRIBED BY LAW FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR THE SUGAR RIDGE ROAD REHABILITATION PROJECT, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$80,000.00.

(Introduced by Mayor Corcoran; First Reading on 02/22/2022)

Moved by Mayor Corcoran and seconded by Boose to dispense with the third reading for T 37-2022.

A voice vote was taken and the motion carried.

Yes – 7 No – 0

Moved by Mayor Corcoran and seconded by Boose to add the emergency clause to bid the project early to get better pricing.

A voice vote was taken on the emergency clause and the motion carried.

Yes – 7 No – 0

Moved by Mayor Corcoran and seconded by Boose to adopt T 37-2022 with the emergency clause.

Mayor Corcoran noted that this project was discussed in the budget process.

A roll call vote was taken on the adoption, with the emergency, and the motion carried. T 37-2022 becomes **Ordinance number 5917-2022**.

THIRD READINGS:

Clerk of Council Linden:

T 16-2022 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO CONTRACTS ACCORDING TO LAW AND IN A MANNER PRESCRIBED BY LAW WITH THE LOWEST AND BEST BIDDER(S) FOR THE SUGAR RIDGE ROAD SANITARY SEWER EXTENSION, INCLUDING ASSOCIATED WORK AND INSPECTION SERVICES, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$3,150,000.00.

(Introduced by Mayor Corcoran; First Reading on 02/07/2022; Second Reading 02/22/2022)

Moved by Abens and seconded by DeVries to adopt T 16-2022.

A roll call vote was taken on the adoption, with the emergency, and the motion carried. T 16-2022 becomes **Ordinance number 5918-2022**.

Clerk of Council Linden:

T 19-2022 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR THE SALE OF REAL PROPERTY LOCATED ON CENTER RIDGE ROAD.

(Introduced by Mayor Corcoran; First Reading on 02/07/2022; Second Reading 02/22/2022)

Moved by Swenk and seconded by Awig to adopt T 19-2022.

A roll call vote was taken on the adoption, with the emergency, and the motion carried. T 19-2022 becomes **Ordinance number 5919-2022**.

Clerk of Council Linden:

T 20-2022 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT ACCORDING TO LAW AND IN A MANNER PRESCRIBED BY LAW FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR THE MILLS ROAD/JAYCOX ROAD SANITARY SEWER IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$180,000.00.

(Introduced by Mayor Corcoran; First Reading on 02/07/2022; Second Reading 02/22/2022)

Moved by Mayor Corcoran and seconded by Awig to add the emergency to get the best price on materials.

A voice vote was taken on the emergency clause and the motion carried.

Yes – 7 No – 0

Moved by Swenk and seconded by Awig to adopt T 20-2022 with the emergency clause.

Mayor Corcoran noted that this project was budgeted for 2022.

A roll call vote was taken on the adoption, with the emergency, and the motion carried. T 20-2022 becomes **Ordinance number 5920-2022**.

Clerk of Council Linden:

T 23-2022 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NORTH RIDGEVILLE, OHIO, TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR A TWELVE-MONTH PERIOD, ACCORDING TO LAW AND IN A MANNER PRESCRIBED BY LAW, FOR THE PURCHASE OF CHEMICALS TO BE USED BY THE FRENCH CREEK WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT.

(Introduced by Mayor Corcoran; First Reading on 02/07/2022; Second Reading 02/22/2022)

Moved by Abens and seconded by Awig to add the emergency to avoid the inflationary period.

A voice vote was taken on the emergency clause and the motion carried.

Yes – 7 No – 0

Moved by Abens and seconded by Awig to adopt T 23-2022 with the emergency clause.

A roll call vote was taken on the adoption, with the emergency, and the motion carried. T 23-2022 becomes **Ordinance number 5921-2022**.

Clerk of Council Linden:

T 24-2022 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT ACCORDING TO LAW AND IN A MANNER PRESCRIBED BY LAW WITH THE LOWEST AND BEST BIDDER FOR THE 2022 CRACK SEAL PROJECT AND OTHER APPURTENANCES, NOT TO EXCEED \$100,000.00.

(Introduced by Mayor Corcoran; First Reading on 02/07/2022)

Moved by Abens and seconded by Winkel to add the emergency to avoid the inflationary period.

A voice vote was taken on the emergency clause and the motion carried.

Yes – 7 No – 0

Moved by Abens and seconded by Winkel to adopt T 24-2022 with the emergency clause.

Mayor Corcoran noted that this project was budgeted for 2022.

A roll call vote was taken on the adoption, with the emergency, and the motion carried. T 24-2022 becomes **Ordinance number 5922-2022**.

Clerk of Council Linden:

T 29-2022 AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING CERTAIN STREETS/IMPROVEMENTS LOCATED IN CROSSCREEK SUBDIVISION AND DEDICATING THEM FOR PUBLIC PURPOSES.

(Introduced by Mayor Corcoran; First Reading on 02/07/2022)

Moved by Swenk and seconded by Awig to adopt T 29-2022.

A roll call vote was taken on the adoption, with the emergency, and the motion carried. T 29-2022 becomes **Ordinance number 5923-2022**.

Clerk of Council Linden:

T 30-2022 AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING CERTAIN STREETS/IMPROVEMENTS
LOCATED IN HAMPTON PLACE SUBDIVISION PHASE 3 AND 4 AND
DEDICATING THEM FOR PUBLIC PURPOSES.

(Introduced by Mayor Corcoran; First Reading on 02/07/2022; Second Reading on 02/22/2022)

Moved by Awig and seconded by Swenk to adopt T 30-2022.

A roll call vote was taken on the adoption, with the emergency, and the motion carried. T 30-2022 becomes **Ordinance number 5924-2022**.

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS:

President Jacobs added that the next regular Council meeting would be on Monday, March 21, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. in City Council Chambers.

President Jacobs expressed his appreciation for working with Nancy Linden and her service with the City. This meeting was Clerk of Council Nancy Linden's last meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

President Jacobs adjourned the meeting at 7:32 p.m.

Approval of minutes on March 21, 2022:



Jason R. Jacobs
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL



Nancy Linden
CLERK OF COUNCIL