

**NORTH RIDGEVILLE CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
May 9, 2022**

(Joint meeting with the North Ridgeville City Schools)

**North Ridgeville Academic Center
Board of Education Community Room
34620 Bainbridge Road
North Ridgeville, OH 44039**

CALL TO ORDER:

President Jacobs called the Monday, May 9, 2022, Council meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

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

Also present were Mayor Kevin Corcoran, Safety Service Director Jeffrey Armbruster, Law Director Brian Moriarty, City Engineer Daniel Rodriguez, Auditor April Wilkerson, Clerk of Council Nicholas Ciofani, Assistant Clerk of Council Fijabi Gallam, and North Ridgeville Board of Education (Jeff Grigsby, Kelly McCarthy, Marci Saxon, Frank Vacha, and JoAnna Timura), Schools Board of Education President Frank Vacha, and Schools Superintendent Ramsey-Caserio.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Led by All.

NEW BUSINESS:

Schools Superintendent Ramsey-Caserio thanked the District Facilities Planning Committee for their dedication to North Ridgeville. The committee consists of members from both entities and the public. She expressed that it became evident early on that they identified needs within the community that far surpassed school buildings. Throughout the planning process, an opportunity presented itself that could truly transform the City of North Ridgeville.

North Ridgeville City Schools Superintendent Roxann Ramsey-Caserio and City of North Ridgeville Mayor Corcoran announced that the North Ridgeville Board of Education and the City of North Ridgeville are looking to enter into an agreement to collaborate on a facilities project. The project consists of the construction of a new high school, elementary school, Performing Arts Center, Maintenance Facility, dedicated space for Ranger High-Tech Academy, and a shared community center that includes an indoor aquatics facility, and a field house with an indoor walking track, and a senior center.

Mayor Corcoran expressed that he is frequently and repeatedly asked for a recreation facility and other community spaces. He added that this project would meet the needs of the school district and satisfy the requests of the overall community.

North Ridgeville City Schools Board of Education President Frank Vacha remarked that as a taxpayer, he sees the needs of the community met by the schools and the City working together. He expressed that there should be an expectation that whenever possible, and to the benefit of the city, to work together to make this amazing community better while saving the taxpayers money. He noted that he is looking forward to this opportunity in working with the City.

North Ridgeville City Council President Jason Jacobs added that during his campaign he received many requests from residents for a Recreation Center for all ages. He expressed that this opportunity meets many of the needs of the growing community while having the very compelling advantage of significant cost savings resulting from the shared resources that would be realized between the City and the District. President Jacobs believed strong communities and strong schools go hand in hand, and it is certainly fitting that the two entities should enter into a cooperative partnership to pursue this project for the overall benefit of the people of North Ridgeville.

North Ridgeville City Schools Board of Education President Frank Vacha and North Ridgeville City Council President Jason Jacobs read the resolution in its entirety.

{Clerk notes: North Ridgeville City Schools Board of Education presented a roll call vote for their records. Motion carried unanimously 5-0.}

FIRST READINGS:

Ordinance and Resolution submittal(s)

Assistant Clerk of Council Fijabi Gallam:

T 78-2022 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT BETWEEN NORTH RIDGEVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND CITY OF NORTH RIDGEVILLE.

(Introduced by Mayor Corcoran)

Moved by Jacobs and seconded by Swenk to dispense with the second and third readings for T 78-2022.

A voice vote was taken and the motion carried.

Yes – 6 No – 0

Moved by Jacobs and seconded by Swenk to add the emergency clause to accommodate the time constraints to move the project forward.

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

Yes – 6

No – 0

Moved by Jacobs and seconded by Swenk to adopt T 78-2022 with the emergency clause.

A roll call vote was taken on the adoption, with the emergency, and the motion carried. T 78-2022 becomes **Resolution number 1566-2022**.

Yes – 6

No – 0

ADJOURNMENT:

President Jacobs adjourned the joint special meeting at 6:16 p.m.

Approval of minutes on May 16, 2022:



Jason R. Jacobs
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL



Nicholas Ciofani
CLERK OF COUNCIL