

**NORTH RIDGEVILLE CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 19, 2016**

CALL TO ORDER: 7:30 P.M.

President Corcoran: Calling to order the Monday, December 19, 2016 regular Council meeting.

INVOCATION:

Led by President Corcoran.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Led by President Corcoran.

ROLL CALL:

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

Also present was Mayor David Gillock, Safety-Service Director Jeffrey Armbruster, Assistant Law Director Toni Morgan, Auditor Jeffrey Wilcheck, City Engineer Scott Wangler and Clerk of Council George E. Smith.

MINUTES - Corrections (if any) and approval:

President Corcoran: You have before you the City Council meeting minutes of December 5, 2016. Are there any objections or corrections to approving those minutes? Seeing none, those minutes are approved.

President Corcoran: Please note we received the Planning Commission minutes of December 13, 2016 and the Records Commission minutes of December 5, 2016.

LOBBY (REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS ONLY):

President Corcoran: We are only going to have one lobby session this evening. John, you wanted to speak.

John Vrtachnik, 5553 Main Ave. stated there is an issue with parking on Main and fire trucks cannot get down the street because cars are parked on both sides of the road. Mr. Vrtachnik suggested Council or the Administration take a look at what could be done to correct the issue.

Mayor Gillock: Yes, I appreciate that and this would be a good time to just remind people that there is no parking on City streets from 2:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m. That is every night. If there is a snow ban, then there is no parking on City streets for the reasons that Mr. Vrtachnik spoke of – we need to get our emergency vehicles and snow plows through there. There is a \$25.00 fine and we will speak to the Police Chief and maybe take a look at Main again. Generally, when we get a complaint like this, they will go down there and ticket the cars. That usually solves the problem. It is \$25.00 each time and it adds up. We will mention that. I appreciate that. It gives us a chance to remind people no parking on City streets from 2:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m. No parking

on City streets at all when a snow ban is in effect. Thank you.

President Corcoran: Seeing no one else in the audience who would like to speak. We will move on to Administrator's reports. Mr. Mayor, you are up first.

ADMINISTRATORS REPORTS:

A. Mayor: Thank you Mr. President. In order to maintain and promote good health and a clean environment for our residents and the community, the City of North Ridgeville is implementing a tobacco free work place environment policy effective January 1, 2017. Use of tobacco will be prohibited at all times on all property or grounds owned, rented or leased by the City. This includes sidewalks, parking lots and in or on private vehicles while parked on City property. Use of tobacco means all uses of tobacco including inhaling, exhaling, burning, vaping or other lighted smoking device or papers for burning tobacco or a plant, chewing tobacco or snuff or any other products that contain tobacco. The policy in its entirety, as well as cessation of tobacco use and support services, is accessible on the City's website at nridgeville.org. We thank everyone in advance for their cooperation.

As a reminder, the Gift of Lights at Victory Park remains open from 5:00 p.m. through 10:00 p.m. each evening through January 1. The cost is \$20.00 per car with a portion of the gifts benefiting UH Rainbows and Children's Hospital. You can purchase tickets online at giftoflights.com.

North Ridgeville Seniors will be presenting the Singing Angels holiday concert. The Singing Angels will be performing a special holiday concert on Wednesday, December 28th at St. Julie Billiard Church, 5500 Lear Nagle Road. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. and the show begins at 7:00 p.m. The performance which is free and open to the public is made possible through the generosity of O'Neill Healthcare North Ridgeville and the North Ridgeville Corn Festival Committee and does benefit the Senior Center.

Join me next Wednesday, December 28 from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. at Kim's Restaurant for coffee and casual conversation.

In observance of the Christmas holiday, City Hall offices will be closed this Friday, December 23rd and Monday, December 26th and in observation of New Year's Day, the offices will be closed Monday, January 2nd. I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a healthy and blessed New Years and be safe out there. That concludes my report. Thank you.

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

B. Safety-Service Director: Just a very short comment, I too echo – I hope everybody can enjoy their family and friends this coming Christmas Eve as well as Christmas Day and I wish everybody a happy New Year and a safe New Year's Eve. Thank you.

President Corcoran: Thank you. Mr. Engineer.

C. Engineer: Thank you, Mr. President. We are going to be opening Performance Lane tomorrow. We put together that road at hyper speed to try and accommodate Riddell's schedules and we are going to open it so that the bowling alley can stop using the temporary. The contract was written as such that the bulk of the infrastructure needed to be done now and then the signalization was due to be done at a later time. Until the signalization is done, it will be a stop sign at Center Ridge Road. It will be a couple months with people exiting out at a stop sign. I anticipate that only to be bowling alley traffic. By the time Riddell is up and running, we will have a full signal there. That concludes my report.

President Corcoran: Thank you, Mr. Auditor.

D. Auditor: Thank you Mr. President. Friday of last week, I sent out the report for November of this year. If there are any questions, I'll be happy to entertain them or at least get back to you with the answers. That concludes my report.

President Corcoran: Thank you.

E. Other Reports: President Corcoran: We have the November 2016 Fire Department report, the November 2016 Mayor's Court report, the November 2016 Support Car report, the November 2016 Water Distribution report and the 2015 Library Operating Levy report.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORT(S): None.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Clerk of Council Smith:

Planning Commission action(s) taken at the December 13, 2016 meeting:

APPLICANT: Chris Copeland, P.E., The Mannik & Smith Group, Inc., 23225 Mercantile Road, Beachwood, OH 44122

OWNER: Brixmor Property Group, Inc., 22054 Farmington Road, Farmington, MI 48336

REQUEST: Site plan approval for the relocation of First Federal of Lakewood Bank building and a property split.

LOCATION: 33701 Center Ridge Road in a B-3 District; Parcel nos. 07-00-008-116-019 and -020

PC ACTION: Approved by a vote of 5-0

Moved by Butkowski and seconded by Johnson to accept the Planning Commission action.

President Corcoran: Are there any comments or questions?

Councilwoman Butkowski: Mr. Chairman, Mr. Copeland made a very nice report about the First Federal of Lakewood new bank building. I believe it is going to be 2,000 square feet and they are setting it up with a drive-thru window and easy access around it. It will be a nice location for them over there at Lear and it should give them enough room and the ability for the traffic to safely go through. They say it will be completed sometime this fall.

President Corcoran: Anybody else? All those in favor say yes. Those opposed say no.
Yes – 7 No – 0

President Corcoran: That has been accepted.

RECESS:

President Corcoran: Would anybody like a recess?

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

President Corcoran: Are there any comments or questions? All those in favor say yes. Those opposed say no.
Yes – 7 No – 0

President Corcoran: Now first readings, we have T 123.

FIRST READINGS:

Ordinance and Resolution submittal(s)

Clerk of Council Smith:

T 123-2016 A RESOLUTION REPRESENTING REIMBURSEMENT OF
ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES FROM VARIOUS FUNDS OF THE CITY OF
NORTH RIDGEVILLE, OHIO.
(Introduced by Councilwoman Johnson)

Moved by Johnson and seconded by Boose to dispense with the second and third readings for T 123.

President Corcoran: Are there any comments or questions? All those in favor say yes. Those opposed say no.
Yes – 7 No – 0

Moved by Johnson and seconded by Boose to adopt T 123.

Moved by Johnson and seconded by Boose to add the emergency to T 123 in order to move the funds by the end of the year for administrative purposes.

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 with the emergency clause, are there any comments or questions? Clerk, please call the roll.

Clerk of Council Smith: The motion passed unanimously and becomes **Resolution number 1399-2016.**

Yes – 7 No – 0

Mayor Gillock: Mr. President, just for clarification – T 123 through T 128 are all Ordinances and Resolutions basically recommended by our Auditor to do the things he needs to do with the transfer of funds and balancing of accounts prior to the end of the year. That is why all of these will need the emergency. They are basically fairly routine. He has to pay transfers and loans and that type of thing, so all six of these need to be adopted with the emergency tonight to meet the year-end deadline.

President Corcoran: Alright, thank you. Next we have T 124.

Clerk of Council Smith:

T 124-2016 A RESOLUTION APPROVING ADVANCE REPAYMENTS OF VARIOUS FUNDS TO THE GENERAL FUND, OF THE CITY OF NORTH RIDGEVILLE, OHIO.

(Introduced by Councilwoman Johnson)

Moved by Johnson and seconded by Boose to dispense with the second and third readings for T 124.

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

Yes – 7 No – 0

Moved by Johnson and seconded by Boose to adopt T 124.

Moved by Johnson and seconded by Boose to add the emergency clause to T 124 in order to move the funds by the end of the year for administrative purposes.

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

Clerk of Council Smith: The motion passed unanimously and becomes **Resolution number 1400-2016.**

Yes – 7 No – 0

President Corcoran: T 125.

Clerk of Council Smith:

T 125-2016 A RESOLUTION APPROVING TRANSFERS TO THE *PAYROLL AND BENEFITS RESERVE FUND*, OF THE CITY OF NORTH RIDGEVILLE, OHIO.

(Introduced by Councilwoman Johnson)

Moved by Johnson and seconded by Boose to dispense with the second and third readings for T 125.

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

Yes – 7 No – 0

Moved by Johnson and seconded by Boose to adopt T 125.

Moved by Johnson and seconded by Boose to add the emergency clause to T 125 in order to move the funds by the end of the year for administrative purposes.

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 with the emergency clause, are there any comments or questions? Clerk, please call the roll.

Clerk of Council Smith: The motion passed unanimously and becomes **Resolution number 1401-2016.**

Yes – 7 No – 0

President Corcoran: T 126.

Clerk of Council Smith:

T 126-2016 A RESOLUTION APPROVING ADVANCES FROM THE GENERAL FUND OF THE CITY OF NORTH RIDGEVILLE, OHIO.

(Introduced by Councilwoman Johnson)

Moved by Johnson and seconded by Boose to dispense with the second and third readings for T 126.

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

Yes – 7 No – 0

Moved by Johnson and seconded by Boose to adopt T 126.

Moved by Johnson and seconded by Boose to add the emergency clause to T 126 in order to move the funds by the end of the year for administrative purposes.

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 with the emergency clause, are there any comments or questions? Clerk, please call the roll.

Clerk of Council Smith: The motion passed unanimously and becomes **Resolution number 1402-2016.**

Yes – 7 No – 0

President Corcoran: T 127.

Clerk of Council Smith:

T 127-2016 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NOS. 5320-2016, 5374-2016 AND 5393-2016 OF THE CITY OF NORTH RIDGEVILLE, OHIO FOR THE PERIOD COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2016 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2016.

(Introduced by Councilwoman Johnson)

Moved by Johnson and seconded by Boose to dispense with the second and third readings for T 127.

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

Yes – 7 No – 0

Moved by Johnson and seconded by Boose to adopt T 127.

Moved by Johnson and seconded by Boose to add the emergency clause to T 127 in order to move the funds by the end of the year for administrative purposes.

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 with the emergency clause, are there any comments or questions? Clerk, please call the roll.

Clerk of Council Smith: The motion passed unanimously and becomes **Ordinance number 5410-2016.**

Yes – 7 No – 0

President Corcoran: T 128.

Clerk of Council Smith:

T 128-2016 AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS OF MONEY FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES FOR THE CITY OF NORTH RIDGEVILLE, OHIO FOR THE PERIOD COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2017 AND ENDING MARCH 31, 2017.

(Introduced by Councilwoman Johnson)

Moved by Johnson and seconded by Boose to dispense with the second and third readings for T 128.

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

Yes – 7 No – 0

Moved by Johnson and seconded by Boose to adopt T 128

Moved by Johnson and seconded by Boose to add the emergency clause to T 128 in order to move the funds by the end of the year for administrative purposes.

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 with the emergency clause, are there any comments or questions? Clerk, please call the roll.

Clerk of Council Smith: The motion passed unanimously and becomes **Ordinance number 5411-2016.**

Yes – 7 No – 0

President Corcoran: T 129.

Clerk of Council Smith:

T 129-2016 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NORTH RIDGEVILLE, OHIO TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE AMERICAN FEDERATION OF STATE, COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES, AFL-CIO.

(Introduced by Mayor Gillock)

President Corcoran: T 130.

Clerk of Council Smith:

T 130-2016 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING N.R.C.O. SECTION 624.141 MARIJUANA DRUG PARAPHERNALIA IN ORDER TO CONFORM WITH THE OHIO REVISED CODE.

(Introduced by Mayor Gillock)

Mayor Gillock: The next three Ordinances have been requested by our Prosecutor and our Law court just to get our laws to coincide with the state code. Basically what it is – this particular one states that for possession of drug paraphernalia, the court shall suspend for not less than six months a violator, the other two say may suspend for not less than six months and all we are changing in all three of these - 131, 132 and 133 basically, we are changing the court may suspend up to five years. There is no minimum and there is no requirement.

President Corcoran: Thank you Mayor. T 131.

Clerk of Council Smith:

T 131-2016 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING N.R.C.O. SECTION 624.14 USE OR POSSESSION OF PARAPHERNALIA IN ORDER TO CONFORM WITH THE OHIO REVISED CODE.

(Introduced by Mayor Gillock)

President Corcoran: T 132.

Clerk of Council Smith:

T 132-2016 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING N.R.C.O. SECTION 624.03 DRUG ABUSE; CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE POSSESSION OR USE IN ORDER TO CONFORM WITH THE OHIO REVISED CODE.

(Introduced by Mayor Gillock)

President Corcoran: There are no second readings or third readings.

SECOND READINGS: None.

THIRD READINGS: None.

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS:

President Corcoran: Our next regular Council meeting will be held Tuesday, January 3, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. here in Council Chambers.

President Corcoran: Before we adjourn, I know that Mr. Westover wanted to have the floor for a moment.

Councilman Westover: Thank you. This isn't a send-off George. Welcome back. I hope you are here a long time. When I first met George, something that really struck me about him was how strongly he feels about his service in the Air Force. We talk about it all the time. We go every other Saturday – we don't like war but we watch war movies together and all the old ones too. He talks about his service and it just struck me how amazing and how much pride he has about his service to the Air Force and to the United States and how much pride he has in his service to City Council. I've only known you since August. You have become a good friend. You are beloved by everybody in this room and many people that are in this room. I thought we would get you a little something. It took me a little while to get it to you because life gets in the way, right? This is on behalf of everybody in this room; this isn't just me. Everybody in this room is proud of you.

“To Master Sergeant George Smith for his honorable and dedicated service to the United States Air Force and for his exemplary service to the North Ridgeville City Council.”

Clerk of Council Smith: Thank you.

Councilman Westover: We also got you this U.S. Air Force camel hat.

Clerk of Council Smith: Thank you very much. I really enjoy doing this job. It is very interesting and at times fun. Without the two ladies that work for me, I'd be stumped. They are great. Tara and Donna are the ones that run this office. I want them to know too. Thank you.

Councilman Boose: Mr. President, just a little public service announcement: a lot of people in our community this year have sidewalks that have never had them before – people on Lear Nagle; a lot of people that received sidewalks this summer and fall through the school program and just want to remind them along with sidewalks comes responsibility. It is your responsibility to clear them of snow and ice. Please make sure that you do that. For those that have had sidewalks for a long time, again, please make sure that you do. It helps the children that need to walk to school. It helps those that walk on a regular basis through our neighborhood. It is not only a nice and good thing to do, but it is the law. Also, if you have an elderly neighbor or someone who is handicapped that just cannot get out and do their sidewalk and you have the time and you are able, it certainly wouldn't be a bad idea to help them out as well. Thank you.

ADJOURNMENT:

President Corcoran: Merry Christmas and happy New Year. This meeting is adjourned. The meeting was adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

Approval of minutes on January 3, 2017:



PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL



CLERK OF COUNCIL