

**NORTH RIDGEVILLE CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 21, 2020**

CALL TO ORDER: 7:30 p.m.

President DeVries called the Monday, September 21, 2020 Council meeting to order.

INVOCATION:

Led by President DeVries.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Led by President DeVries.

ROLL CALL:

Present were Council members President Martin DeVries, Holly A. Swenk, Dennis Boose, President Pro-Tem Bruce Abens, Clifford Winkel, James R. Maleski and Michelle Hung.

Also present was Mayor Kevin Corcoran, Safety-Service Director Jeff Armbruster, Law Director Brian Moriarty, Engineer Dan Rodriguez, Auditor April Wilkerson, Assistant Clerk of Council Tara Peet and Clerk of Council Nancy Linden.

MINUTES - Corrections (if any) and approval:

President DeVries asked if there were any corrections to the Committee of the Whole meeting minutes of September 16, 2020. No discussion was offered. The minutes stand approved as submitted.

President DeVries asked if there were any corrections to the City Council meeting minutes of September 8, 2020. No discussion was offered. The minutes stand approved as submitted.

President DeVries noted that Council received the Civil Service Commission meeting minutes of September 15, 2020 and the Parks and Recreation Commission meeting minutes of February 26, 2020.

LOBBY:

President DeVries opened the lobby session. He stated they are utilizing Zoom and YouTube for people to type or ask their questions. There are instructions on the City's website through the City Council tab on how to get questions answered at www.nridgeville.org. He paused for comments due to the delay in the broadcast.

He asked Assistant Clerk of Council Peet to read any questions or comments from the YouTube Channel feed. He asked if anyone signed into Zoom wished to speak.

Assistant Clerk of Council Peet stated there were no comments or questions at this time.

ADMINISTRATORS REPORTS:

A. Mayor: Mayor Corcoran stated on tonight's agenda under first readings was T 106-2020 which is a resolution to submit an application to NOACA – Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency for funding through the Transportation for Livable Communities Initiative. He requested the resolution be adopted with the emergency in order to meet the application filing deadline of October 16, 2020. He stated it was the first step in applying for a grant to create a plan.

Mayor Corcoran stated the Service Department is busy finishing up the last street on this year's paving list. Prep work is continuing on Deborah Drive and if all goes well, paving is set for the week of September 28. Concrete streets continue to be worked on by an outside contractor.

The Senior Center will be hosting a drive-thru spaghetti dinner Friday, September 25 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. The cost is \$6 per dinner and includes spaghetti, meatballs and garlic bread. Tickets maybe be purchased in the Mayor's office before Friday – cash or check. He thanked the Lions Club for sponsoring the event.

B. Safety-Service Director: Safety-Service Director Armbruster stated the Service Department continues to place the digital speed signs throughout the City. The signs are in the Sandy Ridge Drive area now due to excessive speed. In addition, six speed limit signs have been placed in the Meadow Lakes area and around Sandy Ridge Drive. The Mayor is looking at other ways to slow traffic down. Digital signs are very expensive and the City continues to move around the digital mobile signs.

C. Engineer: Engineer Rodriguez stated the full-depth concrete street projects are going well. Currently, Gatestone Circle and McArthur are being worked on. Main, Broad and Pleasant will begin shortly. Citywide street striping will be occurring in the next few weeks.

D. Auditor: No report.

E. Other Reports: President DeVries stated Council received the August 2020 Mayor's Court Reports, the August 2020 Police Department and Support Car Reports, the August 2020 Water Distribution Reports and the September 2020 Parks and Recreation Director's Report.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORT(S): None.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Clerk of Council Linden:

a) A letter received on September 17, 2020 from the Department of Commerce – Division of Liquor Control, notifying the City that all permits to sell alcoholic beverages in the City will expire on December 1, 2020 if they have not been renewed.

Clerk of Council Linden:

b) A letter received on September 18, 2020 from Dr. Ronald Arndt asking City Council, the Police Chief, the Law Director, the Safety-Service Director and the Mayor what his legal and personal self-defense recourse in public is if he or his family feel threatened or are physically threatened and how the authorities will protect him in terms of recent protests.

President DeVries asked the Mayor if he wished to address this.

Mayor Corcoran stated he instructed Law Director Brian Moriarty to reach out to Dr. Arndt and provide a response. They did speak today by telephone.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

RECESS:

Moved by Boose and seconded by Maleski to dispense with the recess portion of the meeting.

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 106-2020 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE NORTHEAST OHIO AREA WIDE COORDINATING AGENCY (NOACA) FOR FUNDING THROUGH THE TRANSPORTATION FOR LIVABLE COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE (TLCI).

(Introduced by Mayor Corcoran)

Moved by Mayor Corcoran and seconded by Boose to dispense with the second and third readings for T 106-2020.

A voice vote was taken and the motion carried.

Yes – 7 No – 0

Moved by Boose and seconded by Hung to adopt T 106-2020.

Moved by Boose and seconded by Hung to add the emergency clause to T 106-2020 in order to meet the grant filing deadline of October 16, 2020.

On the emergency clause, a voice vote was taken and the motion carried.

Yes – 7 No – 0

A roll call vote was taken on the adoption, with the emergency clause, and the motion carried. T
106-2020 now becomes **Resolution No. 1501-2020.**

Yes – 7 No – 0

Clerk of Council Linden:

T 107-2020 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NORTH
RIDGEVILLE TO FILE AN APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES FOR
PUBLIC RECREATION PURPOSES.

(Introduced by Mayor Corcoran)

SECOND READINGS:

Clerk of Council Linden:

T 99-2020 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING N.R.C.O. CHAPTER 1062 CEMETERIES BY
DELETING SECTION 1062.09 MONTHLY STATEMENT.

(Introduced by Mayor Corcoran; First reading 09/08/2020)

Clerk of Council Linden:

T 100-2020 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING N.R.C.O. SECTION 242.01 SAFETY-
SERVICE DIRECTOR; CLASSIFICATION; COMPENSATION; DUTIES.

(Introduced by Mayor Corcoran; First reading 09/08/2020)

THIRD READINGS: None.

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The next regular Council meeting will be on Monday, October 5, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. in City
Council Chambers.

Councilman Boose asked the Mayor if the City decided on trick-or-treating.

Mayor Corcoran stated yes they will have trick-or-treating and all the information is on the
website. In addition, there is information from the Lorain County Health Department on how to
safely have events.

ADJOURNMENT:

President DeVries adjourned the meeting at 7:44 p.m.

NORTH RIDGEVILLE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING SEPTEMBER 21, 2020

Approval of minutes on October 5, 2020:



PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL



CLERK OF COUNCIL