

**NORTH RIDGEVILLE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
MINUTES OF
REGULAR MEETING FEBRUARY 6, 2006**

CALL TO ORDER: 7:30 P.M.

President Ronald Arndt: The Chair calls to order tonight, the Regular Municipal Council meeting for the North Ridgeville City Council dated February 6, 2006. If you will all rise for our invocation followed by our pledge.

INVOCATION: lead by President Arndt.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: by all.

CALLING OF THE ROLL - ROLL CALL:

Present were Council Members Nancy Buescher, Dennis Boose, Richard Jaenke, Bob Olesen, Gayle Manning and President Ronald Arndt.

Absent was Council Member Bernadine Butkowski.

Also, present were Mayor David Gillock, Safety-Service Director Denny Johnson, Law Director Andrew Crites, Engineer Larry Griffith, Auditor Chris Costin, and Clerk of Council Charles Norris.

President Arndt: For the benefit of all members on Council tonight, Mrs. Butkowski is out of town and she obviously won't be here, with us, tonight. Having stated that, will Dr. Norris please begin with our minutes.

MINUTES - Corrections (if any) and Approval:

Clerk of Council Norris: Council has before it this evening:

Council Minutes of regular meeting held January 17, 2006

 moved by Olesen, seconded by Jaenke to approve our Council Minutes of our regular meeting held January 17, 2006

President Arndt: Is there any discussion? There being none, all those in favor signify by yes. All those opposed by no. Any abstentions?

 Yes, 6 No, 0

Clerk of Council Norris: Minutes are approved. Council will also please note before them this evening are the:

Planning Commission Minutes of regular meeting January 10, 2006;

Civil Service Commission Minutes of regular meeting January 17, 2006;

Parks & Recreation Commission Minutes of regular meeting December 7, 2005;

Board of Drainage and Flood Control Minutes of October 26, 2005;

Board of Zoning and Building Appeals Minutes of regular meeting January 26, 2006; and

Storm Water Management Implementation Committee Minutes of January 30, 2006.

MAYOR AND DIRECTORS REPORTS:

President Arndt: We now come to the Mayor and Director's report. The Chair invites the Mayor and the Department Directors the opportunity to provide Council with an oral report. We would like, tonight, to begin with our Mayor, Mr. Gillock.

- **Mayor:**

Mayor Gillock: Thank you, Mr. President and good evening to all. For the year 2006, we were just informed, we have again received a grant from the Lorain County Solid Waste Management District. The amount for 2006 is slightly more than 2005 and this year we will receive \$107,300. These funds will enable us to continue many of the recycling programs we already have in place, as well as some new ideas we have on the drawing board; including our very successful incentive program we ran last year. Look for more details on the program in the coming months. I would like to bring to Council's attention, a new economic development resource named ProCure. This is a web based data base that is designed to assist both buyers and sellers of commercial property in North Ridgeville. It will list commercial and industrial property for sale, both vacant properties and improved. The site is coordinated with Lorain County and Ohio State economic development efforts. All sales leads received by the state will be directed to the ProCure web site. The web site is www.e-procuresite.com. We are working with the Chamber of Commerce and will be contacting local commercial Realtors directly to insure the data is as complete as possible. Anyone that has commercial property for sale in the City should contact my office to get the property listed on the ProCure web site.

For those that might be interested, the State of the City Address can now be found in text format on the City website and you can also view the Address if you have digital cable. Under the On-Demand section, go to your town and you will find the entire video.

Lastly, for some time we have had complaints of a gas odor around the South Central Park area extending over to City Hall. That is kind of ironic, as during the television news this evening, one of the commercials advertised Gas Safe Ohio and a website, which stated that anytime you smell gas, be sure to should call the gas company. At 3:00 a.m. last Saturday, Columbia Gas did find a leak on private property in the area. We and they, certainly hope this is the source and the problem is solved. However, as a reminder, any time you smell gas you should immediately report it to Columbia Gas. Oftentimes, these odors are intermittent, and it takes repeated calls and searches to locate the source. The number to call is 1-800-344-4077 which is manned 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. That concludes my report. Thank you.

President Arndt: Thank you, Mr. Mayor. We now have the opportunity to hear from our Safety-Service Director, Mr. Johnson.

- **Safety-Service Director:**

Safety-Service Director Johnson: Thank you Mr. President. T-11 on the agenda tonight marks the next step in a long and complicated process of renewing our Cable Television Franchise Agreement. I want to thank the citizen members for their service to the city. Members of the Task Force developed the questionnaire which was delivered to utility customers a few months ago and data from that questionnaire was used to develop the report before Council tonight. There is no pressing need to rush this issue through Council. Please take all the time you need to review the work of the Task Force, but also understand the renewal process is on hold pending Council approval.

Since winter has decided to make a return, I'd like to, again, ask that residents keep sidewalks and fire hydrants clear of snow. Also, to please assist your elderly neighbors by clearing their sidewalks if you can. That concludes my report.

President Arndt: Thank you, Mr. Johnson. We now have the opportunity to hear from our Engineer, this evening, Mr. Griffith.

- **Engineer:**

Engineer Larry Griffith: Thank you, Mr. President. During the February 1, 2006 meeting of the Board of Drainage and Flood Control, a discussion ensued concerning debris and litter in our ditches and streams. One member of the committee, Ed Dunham, lives on Chesterfield Drive. Ed said that he walks down to the bridge over French Creek, whenever we have heavy rains, to see how the creek is flowing. He went on to say that we would not believe the amount and kinds of materials he has seen floating down the creek. About a month ago, the Service Department found a metal shed blocking the Lickorish Main Ditch west of Stoney Ridge Road. Today, I had a discussion with my assistant, Randy Speidel, concerning a roadside ditch on Sprague Road that appeared to be blocked by someone's garbage that either fell or was blown into the ditch. We all need to be aware of what these materials do to our waterways and we need to not be afraid to clean up someone else's carelessness.

We have no figures for just North Ridgeville, but each year in Ohio, an estimated 11,772 tons of cigarette butts, soft drink containers, auto parts and other items are intentionally dumped or left behind on the Ohio's roadways. This neglectful behavior costs Ohio taxpayers more than two million dollars annually in cleanup efforts along the State's highways. In addition, City and local governments spend millions more each year to clean up streets, park areas, neighborhoods, county and township roads. In 2003 alone, volunteers bagged almost 6,800,000 pounds of litter and recycled more than 890,000 pounds of roadway litter.

The Ohio Department of Natural Resources has started a litter prevention program called, Plant Pride, Not Litter. I would like to request that we all do our part in not only helping to cleaning up somebody else's mess but, also in educating others about the importance of preventing litter. The result will make our community a better place to live. Thank you, Mr. President.

President Arndt: Thank you Mr. Griffith. We now come to our Auditor, Mr. Costin?

- **Auditor**

Auditor Costin: Yes, thank you. Council received their final December year-end report and we request your acceptance.

Auditor's Written Financial Report for December 2006

 moved by Boose, seconded by Buescher to approve the Auditor's Written Financial Report for December 2005 in its final form

President Arndt: Is there any discussion? There being none, all those in favor signify by yes. All those opposed by no. Any abstentions?

 Yes, 6 No, 0

Auditor Costin: No further comments for tonight.

President Arndt: Thank you, Mr. Costin. Dr. Norris, when you read your other reports, I would just ask that you move Senior Citizens report to the bottom of the list.

- **Other Reports**

Clerk of Council Norris: Other reports before Council this evening include:

Police Department Activity Report for December 2005;

Fire Department Report for December 2005;

Fire Department 2005 Yearly Report;

Water System Operation Report for December 2005;

Building Department Report for December 2005;

Treasurer's Annual Report for 2005; and

Senior Citizens Advisory Committee Council Liaison Report by Member Olesen:

President Arndt: Mr. Olesen?

Council Member Olesen: Yes, thank you. Mr. President, I would just like to report that all seniors are invited for a hot lunch every Wednesday, barring price at \$3.25. All you have to do is call the Senior Center to make your reservations, which need to be in by Tuesday. The Spaghetti Dinner, put on your calendar for February 24, starting at five o'clock. Reservations for Senior Center Super Thursday are also being taken and will be held on February 23. That is a nice event with entertainment and the theme this time is a Hawaiian Luau. Important is that the Senior Center is in need of volunteers for their Thursday breakfasts and to help on Friday to serve lunch. If you can help, please call Faye at the Senior Center. Thank you.

President Arndt: We appreciate that, Mr. Olesen. Are there any Council Committee Reports tonight?

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Council Member Manning: I have one. Mr. President, appropriations will begin on February 23, 2006, Thursday and will continue on the 24th and possibly on the 27th from nine to four.

President Arndt: From nine to four on all three days?

Council Member Manning: Possibly on the 27th, depending if we need the time.

President Arndt: Nine to four on the 23rd and 24th and possibly nine to four on the 27th. Thank you. Any other Council Committee Reports? We now move to our correspondence. Dr. Norris if you will begin with the first of two.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Clerk of Council Norris: Two items of correspondence before Council this evening include:

- 1) Received a letter from Council Member Dennis Boose respectfully asking for consideration that our Streets, Sidewalks & Bridges Committee review changes, if any, should be made to current ordinances to provide for continuous sidewalks where they currently do not exist within already developed areas of the City.

President Arndt: THE CHAIR REFERS THIS TO STREETS, SIDEWALKS AND BRIDGES COMMITTEE.

- 2) Received a memo from Chief Deputy Clerk Paula Cope requesting Council approval, in accordance with Codified Ordinance Section 286.03(e), to attend the International Institute of Municipal Clerks 60th Annual Conference May 14 through May 18, 2006.

Council Member Olesen: Mr. Chairman, can we make a motion on this? I think our Council Clerk has reached the top pinnacle of her job and I think she deserves this trip. I think it will be another learning experience for her.

moved by Olesen, seconded by Arndt to approve Chief Deputy Clerk of Council Paula Cope's request to attend her International Institute of Municipal Clerks Annual Conference.

President Arndt: Is there any discussion?

Council Member Boose: Yes, in anticipation of this, I asked Chief Deputy Clerk Cope to provide some financial background as to how much this would cost. She indicated that the total, for the number of days there including registration, hotel, and airplane, would be approximately one thousand, six hundred and eighty five dollars.

President Arndt: To add on to Mr. Boose, which I am grateful he asked for this request, she is also offering to pick up her own meals and not only that, I think that we have seen with her recent designation as Master Municipal Clerk, it gives her the opportunity and the City to take advantage of this education and training. It is just another example of Paula's work being another one of the City's hidden secrets. Having said that, this Chair will vote in favor of that. Any other discussion? There is a motion on the floor by Mr. Olesen, a second by Arndt to approve the Chief Deputy Clerk, Paula Cope to attend her International Institute of Municipal Clerks Annual Conference dated May 14 through May 18. All those in favor, signify by yes. All those opposed by no. Any abstentions?

Yes, 6 No, 0

Clerk of Council Norris: Motion is approved.

President Arndt: Is there any new business to be brought before Council tonight? There being none, we move onto our lobby section, audience participation.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (Lobby):

President Arndt: Any member of our audience tonight is invited to address your Council. We request that you fill out the Lobby form that you can find in the back of the room, because it gives us the opportunity to contact you personally, should there be a need to do so. You are now welcome and invited to approach the podium immediately to the right of Mrs. Buescher. However, when you do approach the podium, please clearly state your name and address and please limit your comments to three minutes. The lobby is now open.

1) Bruce Tomcik of 6190 Granite Lane, Stone Creek Development, provided a history of the different municipalities in which he has lived and noted that he has lived in North Ridgeville for one year. Mr. Tomcik expressed a plea to Council to provide a City town square; a place for residents to gather. He provided his opinion of how unattractive the east side of 83 on Center Ridge Road is at this time. He commended the Mayor for bringing businesses and jobs to the City. Mr. Tomcik provided suggestions on making North Ridgeville a better place to live.

President Arndt: Mr. Tomcik, I am sorry, but your three minutes is up.

moved by Boose, seconded by Buescher to suspend By-Laws to allow Mr. Tomcik an additional three minutes.

President Arndt: Is there any discussion? There being none, all those in favor signify by yes. All those opposed by no. Any abstentions?

Yes, 6 No, 0

Mr. Tomcik thanked Council and continued to discuss the natural resources this City has and indicated that it is this Councils' fiduciary duty, and future generations of North Ridgeville, to not abandon the City's resources and to not allow those resources to go to waste. He thanked the Council Members again.

President Arndt: Thank you, Mr. Tomcik. Who else would choose to address your City Council tonight?

2) Mr. Chris Rangus, Service Department Supervisor of the City of North Ridgeville expanded on Larry Griffith's comments regarding ditches and noted that the ditches that were just cleaned have been filled up again by the resident's leaves, newspapers and trash and urged the citizens to take the time to rake the leaves out of the ditch, pick up the unwanted newspaper that was delivered and throw it away. He noted all the items that were seen in the ditches over the weekend and stated that they are doing their responsibility at the Service Department, but stated that the residents need to take some responsibility in cleaning up their own trash.

President Arndt: Mr. Rangus, if we see that, what would be the number that people would call? Mr. Rangus responded by stating that he usually recommends that they call the Engineering Department. He noted that Randy Speidel from the Engineering Department usually handles all of those complaints, but added that he has also taken it upon himself to spearhead this with Randy. Mr. Rangus provided the procedure that occurs once a phone call is received.

President Arndt: Mr. Griffith, what would be the number for Mr. Speidel.

Engineer Griffith: 353-0842

President Arndt: Thank you.

Council Member Jaenke: Mr. President, I would like to comment on Mr. Tomcik's presentation and I agree with his whole philosophy. We really do have an opportunity to think and to manage the new growth of the City. I have only lived here ten years, and not comparing to some of the others that have been here much longer, however, I hear from time to time, negative comments about living in North Ridgeville because of the very thing that Mr. Tomcik talked about. I guess, as we move ahead, within these next two years, we really need to be thinking more about his comments that he made and I agree with him one hundred percent. Thank you.

President Arndt: Thank you, Mr. Jaenke. Who else in our audience tonight would choose to approach your City Council.

moved by Arndt, seconded by Boose to suspend our By-Laws tonight to forego recess
President Arndt: Is there any discussion? There being none, all those in favor signify by yes. All those opposed by no. Any abstentions?

Yes, 6 No, 0

RECESS: dispensed with

President Arndt: Dr. Norris, if you will continue on with our Ordinance and Resolution Submittals beginning with T 11.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

• **Ordinances & Resolution Submittals**

Clerk of Council Norris: Ordinances and Resolution Submittals this evening include:

T 11-2006 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF NORTH RIDGEVILLE, OHIO
ACCEPTING AND ADOPTING THE REPORT SUBMITTED BY THE CABLE
TELEVISION TASK FORCE; DETERMINING THE COMMUNITY'S
FUTURE CABLE TELEVISION-RELATED NEEDS AND AUTHORIZING
THE MAYOR TO SUBMIT TO COMCAST OF GEORGIA, INC. A REQUEST
FOR PROPOSAL FOR A NON-EXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT
BASED UPON THOSE NEEDS.

moved by Olesen, seconded by Jaenke to suspend By-Laws to give T 11 its first reading
President Arndt: Is there any discussion? There being none, all those in favor signify by yes. All

those opposed by no. Any abstentions?

Yes, 6 No, 0

Clerk of Council Norris: Motion is approved.

T 12-2006 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NORTH RIDGEVILLE TO FILE AN APPLICATION WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO PURCHASE LAND ADJACENT TO THE SHADY DRIVE COMPLEX.

moved by Mayor Gillock, seconded by Boose to suspend By-Laws to give T 12 its first reading

President Arndt: Is there any discussion?

Mayor Gillock: Mr. President, we would like to get this passed this evening if we could. We don't need the emergency. This is a resolution that simply goes along with an application that we are making to ODNR to see if we can get grant money for the purchase of park land. This is something that they require with the grant application in order that it shows that Council is aware that we are making this application. There is no money committed with this.

President Arndt: Thank you, Mr. Mayor. Any other discussion? There being none, all those in favor signify by yes. All those opposed by no. Any abstentions?

Yes, 6 No, 0

T 13-2006 A RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 1065-2005 BY ADDING AN ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTION AS A PUBLIC DEPOSITORY.

moved by Olesen, seconded by Manning to suspend By-Laws to give T 13 its first reading

President Arndt: Is there any discussion? There being none, all those in favor signify by yes. All those opposed by no. Any abstentions?

Yes, 6 No, 0

T 14-2006 A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS.

moved by Mayor Gillock, seconded by Boose to suspend By-Laws to give T 14 its first reading

President Arndt: Is there any discussion?

Mayor Gillock: Mr. President, I wanted to point out, T 14 as with T 15 coming up next, that these are both resolutions to approve expenditures of funds and by Ohio Revised Code, we need to pass these this evening. We don't need the emergency. We do need to pass them this evening. What this one is, and I'll address the other one when we come to it, is to C & S Limestone and Asphalt. At the beginning of the year, when we budget, we entered into a contract with C & S for a finite amount of asphalt, not knowing at that time that we were going to successfully negotiate with a couple of developers for paving on Bagley and Bender, which we ended up doing. We purchased asphalt. Actually, we went beyond our contract, is what this is. The

money is appropriated but, purchase orders were not processed. This basically covers the expenditure for the additional asphalt for those two paving jobs.

President Arndt: Thank you, Mr. Mayor. Any other discussion? There being none, all those in favor signify by yes. All those opposed by no. Any abstentions?

Yes, 6 No, 0

Clerk of Council Norris: Motion is approved.

T 15-2006 A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS.

moved by Mayor Gillock, seconded by Boose to suspend By-Laws to give T 15 its first reading

President Arndt: Is there any discussion? Mr. Mayor?

Mayor Gillock: Thank you. The Engineer could probably explain this one better than I can. However, this is kind of a wrap up to the East Center Ridge Road project for those items that were not anticipated that occurred during the construction project such as this. One of the items, that came up toward the end of the project, is sidewalks in front of the Towne Hall Theater and Museum, which will be added as part of that project. Again, the money is there, but wasn't anticipated. Mr. Griffith is there anything you want to add to that?

Engineer Griffith: I would just say that this represents about thirty different items that we encountered during the construction that would have resulted in two to three times the cost if we were to have waited in following our normal process of getting an estimate, getting purchase orders, and getting all the approvals while you had all this equipment just standing around waiting to get approval to go ahead. I would also like to add that, currently, we are over a million and a half dollars below budget. I don't get to say that very often.

President Arndt: Our understanding is, is that all of this money has been allocated in anticipation of potential overruns and the list of overruns are those that I believe all of us on Council received from Fabrizi Trucking and Paving Company. Is that correct?

Engineer Griffith: That is correct.

President Arndt: Thank you. That is a delightful treat. You say that we are almost a million and a half under budget?

Engineer Griffith: Yes.

President Arndt: Wow, that is terrific. Another good example of some of the hidden secrets going on in our City. Just a reminder, that we have a motion on the floor by Mayor Gillock, a second by Mr. Boose to suspend By-Laws to give T 15 its first reading. All those in favor signify by yes. All those opposed by no. Any abstentions?

Yes, 6 No, 0

T 16-2006 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING NRCO SECTION 1044.02 CONNECTION CHARGES TO MODIFY THE METHOD OF CALCULATING SANITARY SEWER CONNECTION FEES CHARGED TO ESTABLISHED BUSINESSES.

moved by Mayor Gillock, seconded by Olesen to suspend By-Laws to give T 16 its first reading

President Arndt: Is there any discussion?

Mayor Gillock: Mr. President, I will try to explain this. In regard to our connection charges of our sanitary sewers, we have a schedule in our ordinances that covers some businesses. The schedule gives a use benefit multiplier for those businesses that are listed there, based on the occupancy that you are using to determine the connection charges. If the business or occupancy is not listed there, than the connection charge is based on the actual water usage. We have had a couple of cases with restaurants and nursing homes, which when you follow the schedule, it is almost punitive. What this is, is economic development based. Actually, what we are trying to do for those businesses that are in existence, having been here over a year that are on good standing with the City with all fees, levies, taxes or assessments, is give the Engineer the option to look at basing the connection charge on their actual water usage instead of the schedule. We think that this is more fair rather than being punitive and with many of these cases, we give him the ability to do this.

President Arndt: Thank you, Mr. Mayor. Is there any other discussion among our Council Members?

Council Member Boose: Mr. President, does this mean that once we base the fee on the actual water usage, that the City is not supplementing any type of charges where we are not losing money by doing this. Rather, the charges that we do charge them will cover the City's cost?

Mayor Gillock: This is only for the connection charge.

Council Member Boose: Correct. We are not losing money for the connection charge when we redo this recalculation?

Mayor Gillock: I guess, in a sense, you could say we're losing money because we are not going to be charging them as much as we would if we follow the schedule.

Council Member Boose: I mean, rather, if it cost us ten dollars; we are getting at least our ten dollars back?

Mayor Gillock: We are covering costs.

President Arndt: Is there any other discussion or questions by our Council? Again, to review there is a motion on the floor by Mayor Gillock, a second by Mr. Olesen to suspend By-Laws to give T 16 its first reading. All those in favor signify by yes. All those opposed by no. Any abstentions?

Yes, 6 No, 0

Clerk of Council Norris: Motion is approved.

• **First Readings**

T 168-2006 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1240.01 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NORTH RIDGEVILLE, OHIO KNOWN AS THE ZONING CODE ORDINANCE, TO RE-ZONE THE FOLLOWING LAND: VACANT PROPERTY KNOWN AS PERMANENT PARCEL NUMBER 07-00-016-112-027 AND PART OF PERMANENT PARCEL NO. 07-00-016-112-045 (AS SHOWN BY LEGAL DESCRIPTION BELOW); FROM R-1 RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO B-3 HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL DISTRICT AND OWNED BY VALORE PROPERTIES, INC. AND RINI REALTY CO.

First Reading

Mayor Gillock: Mr. President, I just had a question. I don't know if we can answer this. The Safety-Service Director has the same question. On our ordinances, we show that this received its first reading on January 17.

President Arndt: Thank you, Mr. Mayor. This is here to correct a technical issue. It was read in its petition form versus ordinance form. Because this is a technicality, it was decided to correct this technical issue and to be certain that all provisions are followed, the tee's are crossed and the eye's are dotted. It has been restated here in this form.

Mayor Gillock: Thank you.

T 11-2006 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF NORTH RIDGEVILLE, OHIO
ACCEPTING AND ADOPTING THE REPORT SUBMITTED BY THE CABLE
TELEVISION TASK FORCE; DETERMINING THE COMMUNITY'S
FUTURE CABLE TELEVISION-RELATED NEEDS AND AUTHORIZING
THE MAYOR TO SUBMIT TO COMCAST OF GEORGIA, INC. A REQUEST
FOR PROPOSAL FOR A NON-EXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT
BASED UPON THOSE NEEDS.

First Reading

T 12-2006 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NORTH
1069-2006 RIDGEVILLE TO FILE AN APPLICATION WITH THE OHIO
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES FOR FINANCIAL
ASSISTANCE TO PURCHASE LAND ADJACENT TO THE SHADY DRIVE
COMPLEX.

First Reading

moved by Olesen, seconded by Jaenke to dispense with the second and third
readings on T 12.

President Arndt: Is there any discussion? There being none, all those in favor signify by yes.
All those opposed by no. Any abstentions?

Yes, 6 No, 0

moved by Olesen, seconded by Jaenke to adopt T 12

President Arndt: Is there any discussion?

Council Member Boose: Mr. President, as the Mayor indicated, this is to apply for some grant money to purchase 15.2 acres currently owned by Forest City Enterprises located next to the Shady Drive Complex. For years, we have been attempting to gather additional land to the Shady Drive Complex because right now, and in fact for some time, we've been maxed out at what ball fields we can provide the City. In fact, in 2005, partially due to the lack of additional property, there were over 50 players in the City that could not participate in our program because we just didn't have a place to put them. Even though, right now, we are not looking to spend any money, If this is successful and we do have grant monies available, we may need to come back to Council to consider appropriating monies for this property. Hopefully, not in the amount we would need if we didn't receive the grants but, it is something that is building for a long time.

We have several choices in the City as far as our ParkS and Receptions, specifically our baseball complex, is that you could do one of two things. You can add to the current facilities, which I believe in my opinion is more cost effective at least in maintenance, because you would only have to maintain one area, or at some point, you would have to acquire additional property somewhere else, which means that you have to maintain two separate locations for the same thing. I am very much in favor of this and hope that we are successful in obtaining some sort of grant money for this.

President Arndt: Thank you, Mr. Boose. Any other discussion? Again, there is a motion on the floor by Mr. Olesen, seconded by Mr. Jaenke to adopt tonight T 12. All those in favor, signify by yes. All those opposed by no. Any abstentions?

Yes, 6 No, 0

Clerk of Council Norris: T 12 is adopted and becomes permanent resolution 1069-2006.

Permanent Resolution No. 1069-2006

T 13-2006 A RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 1065-2005 BY ADDING
1070-2006 AN ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTION AS A PUBLIC
DEPOSITORY.

First Reading

Auditor Costin: Mr. President, I believe the resolution that you are amending was passed in December with the emergency. I would assume that you would want to do likewise with this resolution, unless Administration knows otherwise. I didn't talk to the Treasurer, as I just assumed we would move ahead and do the same thing with this one. I would request that Council consider passing this tonight.

moved by Buescher, seconded by Jaenke to dispense with the second and third readings for T 13

President Arndt: Is there any discussion? All those in favor signify by yes. All those opposed by no. Any abstentions?

Yes, 6 No, 0

moved by Arndt, seconded by Manning to adopt

moved by Arndt, seconded by Jaenke to add the emergency to T 13

President Arndt: Is there any discussion? All those in favor signify by yes. All those opposed by no. Any abstentions?

Yes, 6 No, 0

President Arndt: In addition, we have a motion on the floor by Arndt, seconded by Mrs. Manning to adopt T 13 with the emergency. Any discussion? There being none, all those in favor signify by yes. All those opposed by no. Any abstentions?

Yes, 6 No, 0

Clerk of Council Norris: T 13 is adopted with the emergency and becomes permanent resolution 1070-2006.

Permanent Resolution No. 1070-2006

T 14-2006 A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS.

1071-2006 First Reading
 moved by Olesen, seconded by Manning to dispense with the second and third readings on T 14.

President Arndt: Is there any discussion? There being none, all those in favor signify by yes. All those opposed by no. Any abstentions?

 Yes, 6 No, 0

 moved by Olesen, seconded by Jaenke to adopt T 14

President Arndt: Is there any discussion? There being none, all those in favor signify by yes. All those opposed by no. Any abstentions?

 Yes, 6 No, 0

Clerk of Council Norris: T 14 is adopted becoming permanent resolution 1071-2006.
 Permanent Resolution No. 1071-2006

T 15-2006 A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS.

1072-2006 First Reading
 moved by Olesen, seconded by Jaenke to dispense with the second and third readings tonight on T 15.

President Arndt: Is there any discussion? There being none, all those in favor signify by yes. All those opposed by no. Any abstentions?

 Yes, 6 No, 0

 moved by Arndt, seconded by Jaenke to adopt T 15

President Arndt: Is there any discussion? There being none, all those in favor signify by yes. All those opposed by no. Any abstentions?

 Yes, 6 No, 0

Clerk of Council Norris: T 15 is adopted becoming permanent resolution 1072-2006.
 Permanent Resolution No. 1072-2006

T 16-2006 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING NRCO SECTION 1044.02 CONNECTION CHARGES TO MODIFY THE METHOD OF CALCULATING SANITARY SEWER CONNECTION FEES CHARGED TO ESTABLISHED BUSINESSES.
 First Reading

President Arndt: Thank concludes our first readings. Dr. Norris, if you will move onto our second readings please.

• **Second Readings**

T 3-2006 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SUBSECTION (A) OF NRCO SECTION 1444.22 "SUBDIVISION PLAN REVIEW AND INSPECTIONS; APPEAL OF COST ESTIMATES.

 Second Reading

President Arndt: Just as a comment, the Chair wants to remind Council that because this is

amending a building code, there will be a scheduled public hearing on February 21 at 7:20 p.m. That concludes our second readings and Dr. Norris if you will begin our third readings with T 7.

• **Third Readings**

T 7-2006 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1240.01 OF THE CODIFIED
4224-2006 ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NORTH RIDGEVILLE, OHIO KNOWN AS
THE ZONING CODE ORDINANCE, TO RE-ZONE THE FOLLOWING
LAND: 36400 CENTER RIDGE ROAD, KNOWN AS PERMANENT PARCEL
NO. 07-00-028-101-053 AND VACANT PROPERTY NORTH OF 36400
CENTER RIDGE ROAD KNOWN AS PERMANENT PARCEL NO. 07-00-028-
101-046 (AS SHOWN BY LEGAL DESCRIPTION BELOW); FROM R-1
RESIDENCE DISTRICT AND B-3 HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL DISTRICT
TO B-5 ARCHITECTURAL BUSINESS DISTRICT AND OWNED BY
LICKME, INC.

Third Reading

moved by Buescher, seconded by Jaenke to adopt T 7.

President Arndt: Is there any discussion? There being none, all those in favor signify by yes.
All those opposed by no. Any abstentions?

Yes, 6 No, 0

Clerk of Council Norris: T 7 is adopted becoming permanent ordinance 4224-2006.
Permanent Ordinance No. 4224-2006

T 1-2006 A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY OF NORTH RIDGEVILLE ACCEPTING
1073-2006 THE PAYMENT OF \$80,122.07 FROM RELIANCE COMM/TEC
CORPORATION AND ITS SUCCESSOR MARCONI AS PAYMENT IN FULL
OF THE PRORATED RECOVERY OF TAX ABATEMENT PURSUANT TO
RESOLUTION NO. 1003-2004.

Third Reading

moved by Buescher, seconded by Jaenke to adopt T 1.

President Arndt: Is there any discussion? There being none, all those in favor signify by yes.
All those opposed by no. Any abstentions?

Yes, 6 No, 0

Clerk of Council Norris: T 1 is adopted becoming permanent resolution 1073-2006.
Permanent Resolution No. 1073-2006

President Arndt: That concludes our third readings for tonight.

OLD BUSINESS:

President Arndt: Is there any old business to be brought before your City Council?

Council Member Boose: Mr. President, I have two items. First, I wanted to make comment on the meeting that we had the other night in regard to the widening of Center Ridge Road at the

Library. It was an outstanding meeting with great graphics and well attended. I can say, that I think that most people, like myself, when I got there and viewed the different types of options and all the detail, did not realize the extent to which widening of Center Ridge Road is going to be. For example, I am sure that there were people that lived on the north of Center Ridge Road, on Ridgeview, that did not know that one of the options being considered is to alleviate several of those homes and the business there, to straighten out Ridgeview in order to line up to Root Road or, as another option, to eliminate the Corner Store and the other store there to straighten it from that direction. Also, I am sure that there are residents that live on Olive that did not realize that one of the options being considered is to make Olive a cul-de-sac at Center Ridge Road so you would not be able to exit or enter from there. I would also venture to say that there were people that didn't realize that if you had property on Garden Street between Olive and Wallace that the widening of Garden Street may cause you to lose some property there. Or, if you lived in the Wildflower Development, one of the options being considered is that you would no longer be able to access Center Ridge Road from the current driveway and that a road is proposed to go from there over to the other road to the west. My point in this is that these people were not notified, specifically, that some of the options in widening Center Ridge Road may affect them greater than what they had anticipated. For example, if I lived a quarter a mile away or anywhere on Olive for that matter, and read in the paper that there was a meeting about widening Center Ridge Road, I may or may not be interested enough to go see it because it may or may not impact me very much. What I find out later that one of the options means that I would have to actually find another way than Olive to get onto Center Ridge. That may be something that I would want to know so that I could see some of the plans. Therefore, what I am recommending is that, first; it is my understanding that there is going to be another meeting in March that the citizens will be able to come and view these different types of options. It is also my understanding that at that time, and correct me if I'm wrong, that at that time, maybe some recommendations made from some of the surveys that were completed at the previous meeting may be presented at that time based upon the responses. What I am hoping is that the Administration can have a meeting prior to that and I would ask them to send personal notices to anyone in the City, business or residents, that could be immediately affected by any of the changes being considered. For example, everyone on Olive, in my opinion, should have a notice of this next meeting so they can attend if they so choose. Anyone at Wildflower, anyone on Ridgeview where their homes may be considered for alteration or the businesses there. Anywhere along there, I think that these people, they have lived here and live here now. Even though the widening of Center Ridge Road is essential to our growth, it is essential to maintaining traffic and I understand fully and agree with, the concept that limiting access points to Center Ridge Road as a proposed four or five lane highway is essential to maintaining and controlling that traffic. I still believe that the residents of our community at least need to have the option of looking at what options are available face to face and asking these questions before a final decision is made. I would hope that we can get these notices sent out.

The second is, just to remind people that the sign-ups for the North Ridgeville City Baseball/Softball Program are going to be held the first and second weekends in March. It will

be Friday, March 3 and Saturday, March 4 and Friday, March 10 and Saturday, March 11 at the Senior Center right across the street. I wanted to make that notice now because it is time to make sure that if you want your kids ages 5 through 18 to enjoy City Baseball through the City Baseball Softball Program, that is the optimum time to sign up for it, rather than wait later. You don't want to be locked out of a league. Again, March 3 and 4 and March 10 and 11. Thank you.

Council Member Olesen: Just one comment to Mr. Boose's presentation. To send out those notices would be a very labor intensive project and I wonder if we might be able to reach an objective by asking our beloved Mrs. Klear to write an article and list some of the streets that are going to be affected by this project.

Mayor Gillock: I can appreciate Mr. Boose's comments and we will certainly take that into consideration. We will have to look and see what we can do. I do want to point out that we went to great efforts to make sure that everyone does know about these meetings. They are put in the papers; the notices are published; we take notices around to businesses and grocery stores and post them and we really went the extra mile trying to get this message out. Everyone in the City is going to be affected by this. Yes, those that live in the general vicinity, especially on the north side of the road, may be affected a little more; but so is everyone at the Middle School. We are trying to invite everyone in the City to these and just about everybody in the City is going to be affected and as we have said many, many times, we want people to be there. You are invited to be there and we want your comments. We will publicize it again and if at all possible, please try to be at those meetings. Keep in mind, these are options right now that we are looking at and we will see what happens in the March meeting. Thank you.

Safety-Service Director Johnson: I just want to add to help people understand what is going on with this. This is not a road widening project. It never was. We try to be careful not to call it that. What it is, is a congestion problem on Center Ridge Road that is being dealt with and that is why the access management is part of it. If we could characterize it as that to the public, it might help clear up any misunderstanding. I agree with the Mayor. It is going to affect everybody in the City. Any notices that go out, should go to everybody in the City and we have done that with the inserts in the utility bills.

Council Member Buescher: Mr. President, that is exactly what my comment was going to be. One of our most efficient ways to get this information out is through the utility bill.

President Arndt: Does anyone else need to make a comment? Mr. Boose?

Council Member Boose: Thank you. I appreciate all those comments and again I agree it will affect everybody in the City, believe you me, in a very positive way for the most part. I just believe that if someone's house is being looked at to be eliminated, I think that person may be affected a little bit more than the rest of us and I think those people need to be personally invited to attend so that they can understand that, because I can assure you some of those people that live in those houses were not personally invited and did not realize the magnitude because they thought it was just a widening program. Again, I am very much in favor of getting this done. I don't want the point to be made that I'm not. It is just that I still believe that the citizens deserve a right to understand how much this is impacting them and I believe that if I lived in one of those houses that may be directly impacted, reading a statement at the bottom of a utility bill that says

we're going to be having this meeting, doesn't quite get it for me.

President Arndt: Any other old business to be brought before City Council? Dr. Norris, if you will read our upcoming meeting announcements.

UPCOMING MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Clerk of Council Norris:

Next Regular Council Meeting Tuesday, February 21, 2006 at 7:30 P.M. in Council Chambers.

Public Hearing Tuesday, February 21, 2006 at 7:20 P.M. regarding T 3.

Public Hearing March 20, 2006 regarding T 168-2006.

President Arndt: Any other announcements to be made by any of our Council Members?

ADJOURN:

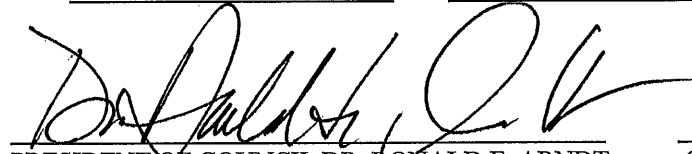
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President Arndt: Meeting adjourned.

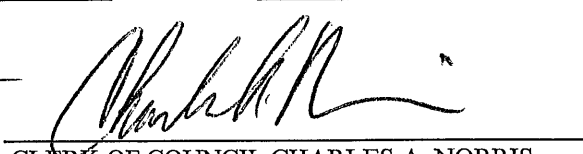
Meeting adjourned at 8:34 P.M.

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