

**NORTH RIDGEVILLE CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING FEBRUARY 1, 2016**

CALL TO ORDER: 7:30 P.M.

President Corcoran: Welcome to the Monday, February 1, 2016 regular Council meeting.

INVOCATION:

Led by President Corcoran.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Led by Boy Scout Troop 140.

ROLL CALL:

Present were Council members Terrence Keenan, Dennis Boose, Bruce Abens, Bob Chapek, President Pro-Tem Bernadine Butkowski, Roseanne Johnson and President Kevin Corcoran.

Also present was Mayor G. David Gillock, Safety-Service Director Jeff Armbruster, Law Director Andy Crites, City Engineer Scott Wangler, Deputy Auditor Teresa Machovina 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 January 19, 2016. Are there any corrections or objections to approving those minutes?

Councilman Boose: Mr. President, just one slight correction: page fourteen, just a grammatical error – in the first full paragraph, second line that says "...convention center or Cleveland"...it should say "convention center in Cleveland". Other than that, I have no other comments.

President Corcoran: Thank you. With that correction, those minutes are approved.

President Corcoran: We received the Board of Drainage and Flood Control meeting minutes of October 27, 2015, the Civil Service Commission meeting minutes of January 19, 2016, the Parks and Recreation Commission meeting minutes of December 2, 2015 and the Planning Commission Workshop meeting minutes of January 12, 2016.

President Corcoran: That brings us to the lobby session of the meeting.

Moved by President Corcoran and seconded by Boose to split the lobby session into two sessions where the first one will be dedicated to the items that are on the agenda this evening and the second would be questions and answers from the audience.

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

LOBBY (REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS ONLY):

President Corcoran: This is the lobby session. This is your opportunity to address Council. If you would like to speak on an issue, please approach the podium for the record. State your name and address. You will be given three minutes to speak. Is there anybody who would like to speak this evening? Ok then, moving on to the Administrator's reports. First, we have Mr. Mayor.

ADMINISTRATORS REPORTS:

A. Mayor: Thank you Mr. President. Lear Nagle Road construction kicked off today. Terrace Construction is performing the work with Greenman-Pedersen, (GPI). GPI is serving as the construction manager. GPI will be posting updates as the project moves forward at www.learnagleconstruction.com. You can also access that link through the City's website.

I have to tell you, when all those orange barrels went up last Friday and I drove over to Lear Nagle and I saw those, it was kind of an "uh oh" moment. It is really going to happen and I know there is going to be a lot of inconveniences and we are going to get a lot of calls, but it is going to be a great project and it will be great when it is done. I want to stress that two-way traffic will be maintained at all times through the construction phase, however, you can expect delays.

The Ohio Turnpike began work today on replacing the bridge deck on Route 83 over the turnpike. That is just north of the railroad overpass. The project is anticipated to be completed by June. One lane, two-way traffic will be maintained at all times. Yes, you can expect delays. We don't always have a lot to do with timing of these projects, so we have our two main north/south routes through the City both under construction at the same time. Find alternate ways. Find your way through the neighborhoods. Work with us. Be patient. We will get it done.

The City received two grants from the Lorain County General Health District. They totaled over \$60,000. The first one will help enhance our Safe Routes to School program by linking existing and new homes on Aurensen Road with sidewalks to better access the library, schools and South Central Park. The second grant went to Seniors, Inc. which supports the Senior Center and will allow for the first motion wellness system to be installed in Ohio. The older adult fitness station will be installed next to the Senior Center for easy access to workouts that are geared towards senior's physical abilities and needs; for example – balance. On that grant, we partnered with the Orthopedic Associates at St. John's Medical Center. We are really proud of that grant that we got for our seniors.

Starting this week, this is important, starting this week, residents will be receiving opt-out letters from NOPEC for natural gas. This is for your natural gas. NOPEC is required by the Public Utilities Commission to send out these letters to customers every two years. Government opt-out aggregation means that you will be automatically enrolled in the NOPEC program unless you proactively opt-out of the program - when you get that mailer, pay attention to it. If you want to stay with the NOPEC program or get in the NOPEC program, like I am, all you have to do is throw it away. You don't have to do anything. Some people want to track their gas usage. They

keep close track. They might have reasons for other options and if you do, you have to opt-out of the program using that form.

Just a last reminder, City Hall offices will be closed Monday, February 15, 2016 in observation of President's Day. With that said, the next Council meeting will be on Tuesday, February 16th. Thank you Mr. President. That concludes my report.

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

B. Safety-Service Director: The demolition of buildings on Center Ridge Road continues. We received notice from ODOT these last couple of weeks that demolition will continue until this spring in May. There are some buildings that are still up that they are still negotiating with as they go through the process. If you see Cat's Meow and the Ridge Cleaner's over here, two of them that have not been completed yet – they are working through the legal process on that.

The Falcon we continue to use patching. If you do have some potholes and some holes on roads that you have seen that we need to get at, please let us know and we will be out to take care of that. This weather is on our side. Who would ever think that Sunday it would get up to almost sixty degrees? I would think there were an awful lot of golfers out this past Sunday.

We certainly apologize to everyone in North Ridgeville that got stuck at Stoney Ridge and Mills Road, but there is a lot of conversation internally in the Administration, with regards as to whether we totally close that road or else close that intersection off or allow traffic to go through. We chose to allow the traffic to go through which made more sense to us. We had one day where there was a rogue employee that would not allow some buses through and that was corrected immediately. Unfortunately, the buses were turned around. The construction was such that the size of the equipment, and I said to Scott, can they get a bigger track hoe in there, and he said they have the biggest one they can get. Unfortunately, the rock stone was down, I believe, about four feet and they went to almost eighteen feet down there and if you see that big piece of equipment as it is going down Mills Road, it is in rock at four feet level down to about eighteen feet. They are scratching all that rock out and that is really hard to do with the equipment. That is why the equipment had to be so large down there. Again, we apologize for that.

Back on Lear Nagle, two weeks ago we had discussions on Lear Nagle and the signage. We've done some research on the signage. The crosswalk signage was what we would consider way over the top expensive. It was in the \$15,000-\$20,000 range. We have chosen to go with LED curb lights to see if that works. If it does not work and there are some issues with it shining in people's windows, we can certainly use those other places within the community on other curves. That completes my report.

President Corcoran: Thank you. Mr. Engineer.

C. Engineer: Thank you Mr. President. I wanted to touch on a public service announcement for water quality. In years past, this is always hinging on a giant snow melt

which hasn't happened and if everything goes as expected, we won't have it; but regarding pet waste. I would like to remind everybody to collect pet waste in bags and dispose of it with your garbage. Do not put it in storm sewers and ditches. This simple step will maintain water quality for us. That concludes my report.

President Corcoran: Thank you. Ms. Deputy Auditor.

D. Deputy Auditor: Thank you Mr. President. The only thing I would like to note this evening is Council should have received the December 2015 unaudited financial report. I have nothing further for this evening. Thank you.

President Corcoran: Thank you.

E. Other Reports:

President Corcoran: We have the 2015 Annual Treasurer's report, the 2015 Year-end Fire Department report, the January 2016 Parks and Recreation Director's report, the November 2015 Police Department report and the December 2015 Mayor's Court reports.

President Corcoran: There are no committee reports.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORT(S): None.

President Corcoran: There is no correspondence.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

President Corcoran: We have no old business.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

President Corcoran: Moving on to new business.

NEW BUSINESS:

Ordinance and Resolution submittal(s)

Clerk of Council Smith:

T 6-2016 A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE, WITH MODIFICATION, THE APPLICATION MADE BY RAYMOND W. & SARAH M. WROBLEWSKI REGARDING CERTAIN LAND OWNED BY THEM WHICH HAS BEEN DESIGNATED AS AN AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT BY THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY AUDITOR.
(Introduced by Mayor Gillock)

President Corcoran: T 7.

Clerk of Council Smith:

T 7-2016 PID NO. 86700; PROJECT NAME: D03 CRSEAL FY2016;
AN ORDINANCE COOPERATING WITH THE DIRECTOR OF THE OHIO
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO PERFORM PREVENTATIVE
MAINTENANCE TREATMENT CRACKSEALING ON STATE ROUTE 83.
(Introduced by Mayor Gillock)

Moved by Boose and seconded by Johnson to suspend the By-laws to give T 7-2016 a first reading.

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

Yes – 7

No – 0

President Corcoran: T 7 will have a first reading. T 8.

Clerk of Council Smith:

T 8-2016 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 3727-2001 BY
CORRECTING THE JOB TITLE OF PARKS AND RECREATION PROGRAM
“DIRECTOR” TO PARKS AND RECREATION PROGRAM “SUPERVISOR”.
(Introduced by Mayor Gillock)

President Corcoran: That is the end of new business.

RECESS:

President Corcoran: Would anyone 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: Moving on to first readings. First we have T 7.

FIRST READINGS:

Clerk of Council Smith:

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MAINTENANCE TREATMENT CRACKSEALING ON STATE ROUTE 83.
(Introduced by Mayor Gillock)

Moved by Boose and seconded by Johnson to dispense with the second and third readings for T 7-2016.

President Corcoran: Are there any comments or questions?

Mayor Gillock: This is a request from the Ohio Department of Transportation asking our cooperation. They asked that this Ordinance be adopted and delivered back to them by February 12 so that is why we would like to get this adopted this evening. This is to work with them to provide crack sealing on State Route 83. It is a maintenance item from Butternut Ridge Road to Hedgerow Park Drive and from Sugar Ridge Road to Westwood Drive. It would be done this summer. It does not involve any funds on our part other than making sure that the right-of-ways are free of obstructions. We certainly want to cooperate and work with ODOT in performing maintenance on State Route 83 within our City limits.

President Corcoran: All those in favor say yes. Those opposed say no.

Yes – 7

No – 0

Moved by Johnson and seconded by Boose to adopt T 7-2016.

Moved by Johnson and seconded by Boose to add the emergency clause to T 7-2016 in order to meet the timing deadlines established by ODOT.

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 measure passed unanimously and becomes **Ordinance number 5314-2016**.

Yes – 7

No – 0

President Corcoran: Moving on to second readings, we have T 159.

SECOND READINGS:

Clerk of Council Smith:

T 159-2015 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING N.R.C.O. SECTION 232.01 *DUTIES; COMPENSATION* TO MODIFY THE POSITION OF CITY AUDITOR FROM PART-TIME TO FULL-TIME EMPLOYMENT.

(Introduced by President Corcoran; Referred to Finance on 12/07/2015; Finance on 12/21/2015; Report accepted on 01/04/2016; First reading 01/19/2016)

President Corcoran: T 160.

Clerk of Council Smith:

T 160-2015 AN ORDINANCE REVISING THE PAY PERIODS FOR THE CITY
AUDITOR POSITION BY AMENDING N.R.C.O. SECTION 286.04 PAY
PERIODS.

(Introduced by President Corcoran; Referred to Finance on 12/07/2015; Finance on 12/21/2015; Report
accepted on 01/04/2016; First reading 01/19/2016)

President Corcoran: T 161 Amended.

Clerk of Council Smith:

T 161-2015 AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AN ANNUAL SALARY RANGE AND
Amended BENEFITS FOR THE FULL-TIME POSITION OF CITY AUDITOR.

(Introduced by President Corcoran; Referred to Finance on 12/07/2015; Finance on 12/21/2015; Report
accepted on 01/04/2016; First reading 01/19/2016; Amended by substitution 01/19/2016)

President Corcoran: That is the end of second readings. Moving on to third readings, we have T
152.

THIRD READINGS:

Clerk of Council Smith:

T 152-2015 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND/OR CREATING CERTAIN DIVISIONS
Amended OF N.R.C.O. §618.01 DOGS AND OTHER ANIMALS RUNNING AT LARGE;
DANGEROUS AND VICIOUS DOGS.

(Introduced by Mayor Gillock; Referred to Safety Committee on 11/16/2015; Safety on 12/07/2015; Report
accepted on 12/21/2015; First reading 01/04/2016; Amended by substitution on 01/04/2016; Second reading
01/19/2016)

Moved by Boose and seconded by Butkowski to adopt T 152.

President Corcoran: Are there any comments or questions?

Councilman Boose: Mr. President, I would like to thank former Ward 3 Councilperson, Dr. Ron
Arndt for working on this. It was brought to his attention by some residents. We worked on it,
it went through Committee and it went through the process and before us we now have a nice
piece of legislation in regards to that. I wanted to publically thank him for his work.

President Corcoran: Anybody else? Clerk, please call the roll.

Clerk of Council Smith: The motion passed unanimously and becomes **Ordinance number
5315-2016.**

Yes – 7

No – 0

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS:

President Corcoran: We are going to have Finance Committee meetings that will be held on
Tuesday, February 16, 2016 through Thursday, February 18, 2016 from 8:30 A.M. to 4:30
P.M or until listed departments have been completed in Council Chambers regarding City

appropriations. There will also be a public hearing regarding the Wroblewski agricultural district on **Tuesday, February 16, 2016** just prior to our Council meeting at **7:20 P.M.** in Council Chambers. Because of the holiday, our next regular Council meeting will be on **Tuesday, February 16, 2016 at 7:30 P.M.** in Council Chambers.

LOBBY (Q&A - REGARDING ANY CITY BUSINESS): This is the second lobby session that is open to the public to bring up items of concern that are going on in the City. If you would like to ask a question, make a comment; please step up to the podium and state your name and address for the record. You will be given three minutes to speak. Is there anybody that would like to address Council?

Kathy Frombaugh, 111 Main Street, Rochester, Ohio 44090: stated she is running for State Representative on the Republican ticket in March. She stated she grew up in Huntington and moved to Rochester. Ms. Frombaugh gave her education and experience to City Council.

President Corcoran: Is there anybody else that would like to address Council this evening? Okay, thank you for coming.

Councilman Keenan: I do have a few things that will take no more than an hour. First of all, I would like to publically thank the Engineer. Last week I attended Board of Flood and Drainage. At that meeting, it was brought forth that the City, through Mr. Wangler's department and so forth, has applied for a substantial grant which would, if successful, greatly help us with our efforts on storm water management and combining that with recreational use. I think that is noteworthy and I know that it was done under a short time frame and a lot of pressure, so thank you.

Secondly, I have received in the mail a letter only to me and I would like to acknowledge the young gentleman that wrote it. Let me say that his name is Michael Schlegle. He lives on Stoney Lake Drive and he is a high school student who attends St. Ignatius. He wrote this letter out of genuine concern for the residents of North Ridgeville because, although he has only been here two years, he noticed that there is a lack of emergency room/hospital facilities within our own community. He reached out and wrote this letter expressing a concern about that and how response times and so forth are impacted. It was a wonderfully written letter. I don't have his phone number and I don't have his email, but I have his home address and I will respond to him personally. That kind of correspondence that is so thoughtful and caring is always welcome on any issues. Mr. Michael Schlegle, thank you very much. In response to that, you should know that in fact, University Hospitals announced a project that will be coming up within the next year or two on Lorain Road, west of Lear Nagle and east of our turnpike. It is a major project coming to bring new medical facilities into the community in North Ridgeville. In fact, it absolutely responds to your concerns here and it will be here within the next couple of years we expect. That is it. Thank you.

President Corcoran: Thank you.

ADJOURNMENT:

President Corcoran: This meeting is adjourned. The meeting was adjourned at 7:54 P.M.

Approval of minutes on February 16, 2016:

A stylized handwritten signature, possibly reading 'K-E', enclosed within a circular loop.

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

A cursive handwritten signature, appearing to read 'George E. Smith'.

CLERK OF COUNCIL