

**NORTH RIDGEVILLE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
MINUTES OF
SPECIAL MEETING JANUARY 4, 2001**

President Brown: I'd like to call this Special Meeting to order. Clerk, please read the notice.

Council Clerk White: I'd like to take the roll first.

President Brown: Okay, take the roll.

ROLL CALL: Present were Council Members Larry Overby, Allen Swindig, Karen Borocz, Bernadine Butkowski, David Gillock and Jean Brown.
Absent was Council Member Gail Minnick.

Council Clerk White: Mrs. Minnick let me know that she would not be here.

Also, present were Mayor Deanna Hill, Safety-Service Director Jim Johnson, Auditor ...

Auditor Costin: You don't have one.

Council Clerk White: The so-called Auditor.

Auditor Costin: Here.

... and Clerk of Council Jim White.

Council Clerk White: I want to recognize the fact you're sitting there.

Absent was Mayor Deanna Hill, Law Director Eric Zagrans and Engineer Stewart Lovece

Council Clerk White read the notice of Special Council meeting in full as on file in the office of the Clerk of Council as it relates to the appointment of a City Auditor.

Council Member Swindig: Madame Chairman?

President Brown: Yes, Mr. Swindig?

motion by Swindig to reappoint Chris Costin as City Auditor, 2nd by Butkowski

President Brown: Discussion? Yes, Mr. Costin?

Auditor Costin: I want to apologize to everyone for the inconvenience. When this matter came up after the meeting, I was thinking it was no problem, just pass it retroactively if you chose to. I don't want you to think that we've not been doing our daily duties, but when it came to signing some official documents like contracts and checks I got to thinking that that's probably misrepresentation, falsification of documents. So, I thought that it might be a good idea if I waited until I was reappointed, which is the reason for the meeting, before I sign any of those documents that are sitting on my desk. So, I apologize for making you come out tonight but I don't think I could act in an official capacity otherwise.

President Brown: Mr. Gillock?

Council Member Gillock: So, you just automatically assumed you'd be reappointed?

President Brown: You know what happens when you assume.

Auditor Costin: Yes I do.

Council Clerk White: Let's be careful. This is an official meeting and the minutes are recorded and I will have this tape for one year, so, keep on talking.

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Auditor Costin: Truthfully, I didn't assume anything, I just plain forgot.

President Brown: Okay.

Council Member Swindig: So, I will amend my motion to take it back to the first of the year.

Council Member Butkowski: And I will amend my second.

President Brown: Retroactive back to the first of the year. Take a vote please.

Yes, 6 No, 0

Council Clerk White: Motion carries six, zero.

motion by Swindig to adjourn, 2nd by Butkowski

Meeting adjourned at 6:20 P.M.

MOTION Swindig 2ND Borocz DATE January 16, 2001

YES 6 NO 0 ABSTAIN 1 - Minnick

Jean K. Brown
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

Jean White
CLERK OF COUNCIL