

**NORTH RIDGEVILLE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
MINUTES OF
SPECIAL MEETING DECEMBER 18, 2003**

CALL TO ORDER 8:00 A.M.

President Butkowski: I would like to call this Special Council Meeting of December 18, 2003 to order. Will the Clerk please call the roll.

ROLL CALL

Present were Council Members Allen Swindig, Bob Olesen, Ronald Arndt, Andy Young and Council President Bernadine Butkowski.

Absent was Council Members Nancy Buescher and Josanne Pagel.

Also, present were Mayor Dave Gillock, Auditor Chris Costin and Clerk of Council Chuck Norris.

Absent were Safety-Service Director Denny Johnson, Law Director Eric Zagrans and Engineer Larry Griffith.

READING OF NOTICE

Clerk of Council Norris read the notice of the Special Council Meeting in full as on file in the office of the Clerk of Council as it relates to the consideration of an ordinance declaring is necessary to levy a replacement tax relating to the North Ridgeville Branch of the Lorain Public Library.

SPECIAL MEETING

motion by Swindig to suspend all By-Laws so we can entertain T 156-2003 today, 2nd by Olesen

President Butkowski: Is there any discussion? Mayor Gillock?

Mayor Gillock: Just by way of explanation of what is going on with all of this, as I told Chris, this is kind of the perfect storm of ballot issues. We had a combination of a change in administration with an advanced primary with a reassessed valuation of the City all happening at the same time. The library obtained the certification from the County for their tax and they based it on the old valuation. When the Clerk took this to the Board of Election, they said you have to redo it. It has to be based on the new assessed valuation which is a 13 percent increase over 2002. All we're really doing is, and it's built in here, section 10, we're repealing . . .

President Butkowski: Mayor Gillock, we're just suspending the By-Laws, then we can discuss this issue. It will explain this whole thing with the next because we're just suspending By-Laws right now to introduce it. Any other discussion on suspending By-Laws? Please call the roll.

Yes, 5 No, 0

Clerk of Council Norris: Motion is approved by a vote of five to zero.

motion by Arndt, 2nd by Young to give this a first reading
President Butkowski: Is there any discussion? Please call the roll.

Yes, 5 No, 0

Clerk of Council Norris: Motion is approved five to zero.

T 156-2003 ORDINANCE DECLARING IT NECESSARY TO LEVY A REPLACEMENT
3978-2003 TAX IN EXCESS OF THE TEN MILL LIMITATION AND AUTHORIZING
THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT RELATING TO THE NORTH
RIDGEVILLE BRANCH OF THE LORAIN PUBLIC LIBRARY AND
REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 3961-2003 AND DECLARING AN
EMERGENCY.

First Reading

President Butkowski: Please note that section 12 does attach the emergency to this information, for your information.

motion by Mayor Gillock, 2nd by Swindig to dispense with second and third reading

President Butkowski: Is there any discussion? Mayor Gillock?

Mayor Gillock: This is a replacement as you see in section ten of the original ordinance that will assess the proper millage based upon the new assess valuation to generate the same amount of money being 988,519. I'm going to ask that you continue to go through motions that when we move to adopt, make a motion to add the emergency clause because we can't officially introduce this including the emergency. So, make that motion to add the emergency clause. We'll get it adopted today and then the Clerk can get it over to the election board and if there's any questions, I'll be glad to answer them.

Council Member Swindig: Madame Chairman, I think by suspending By-Laws the way we did it, we added the emergency. But, we'll do it the way we've always done it by coming back and doing the emergency.

President Butkowski: Mr. Swindig, according to our Council rules, we cannot.

Council Member Swindig: But, we suspended By-Laws to do it.

President Butkowski: And you're right, we did. Well, let's just cover all the bases. It's not going to take that long. If you note in section three, this is .191. It's a 1.91 mill levy. If anyone asks, it's there in section three for five years. Is there any other discussion? The motion has been made and seconded to dispense with second and third readings, please call the roll.

Yes, 5 No, 0

Clerk of Council Norris: Motion is approved by a vote of five to zero.

motion by Swindig, 2nd by Arndt to adopt

motion by Swindig to add the emergency due to the December 18 deadline, 2nd by
Arndt

President Butkowski: Is there any discussion on the emergency? Please call the roll for the emergency.

Yes, 5 No, 0

Clerk of Council Norris: Motion is approved by a vote of five to zero.

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President Butkowski: Please call the roll on T 156 with the emergency.

Yes, 5 No, 0

Clerk of Council Norris: T 156 is adopted with the emergency by a vote of five to zero becoming permanent ordinance 3978-2003 with the emergency.

Permanent Ordinance No. 3978-2003

ADJOURNMENT

President Butkowski: Thank you. I would like to thank everybody for getting up so early and getting here. The meeting is adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 A.M.

MOTION _____ Swindig _____ 2ND _____ Jaenke _____ DATE _____ January 5, 2004 _____

YES _____ 7 _____ NO _____ 0 _____ ABSTAIN _____ 0 _____

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL DR. RONALD F. ARNDT

CLERK OF COUNCIL CHARLES A. NORRIS