

**NORTH RIDGEVILLE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF  
REGULAR MEETING      AUGUST 5, 2013**

**CALL TO ORDER:**                    [7:30 P.M.] Welcome to the August 5<sup>th</sup> Council meeting. This is our first August Council meeting since 1961. That is 52 years ago.

**INVOCATION:**  
Led by President Corcoran.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**  
Led by all.

**ROLL CALL:**  
Present were Council members Nancy Buescher, Dennis Boose, Robert Olesen, Roseanne Johnson, Bernadine Butkowski and President Kevin Corcoran.

Also present was Safety-Service Director Jeffry Armbruster, Law Director Andrew Crites, Engineer Scott Wangler, Auditor Chris Costin and Clerk of Council George Smith.

**MINUTES** - Corrections (if any) and Approval:  
President Corcoran: You have before you the public hearing meeting minutes from July 15, 2013 regarding T 86. Are there any corrections or objections to approving those minutes? Seeing none, those minutes are approved.

You have before you the public hearing meeting minutes from July 15, 2013 regarding T 74. Are there any corrections or objections to approving those minutes? Seeing none, those minutes are approved.

You also have before you the regular Council meeting minutes held July 15, 2013. Are there any corrections or objections to approving those minutes? Seeing none, those minutes are approved.

President Corcoran: Please note the Civil Service Commission meeting minutes of 07.16.2013 and the Parks and Recreation Commission meeting minutes of 06.26.2013.

**LOBBY:**  
President Corcoran: That brings us to the lobby session of our meeting. This is your opportunity to address Council. Please fill out the forms in the back of the room so we may respond to you either in writing or by phone. When you approach the podium, please state your name and address for the record. You will have three minutes to speak on the topic of your choice. Lobby session is now open.

Nita Morrison, 34939 Northview Circle – stated she lives in a condo in which she has been flooded by sanitary sewer backups. Mrs. Morrison submitted a petition to Council in order to get the flooding corrected.

President Corcoran: If you have material, I would ask that you give it to Mr. Armbruster please. Thank you.

Jerry Armstrong, 34687 Plantation Place: stated he would like consideration for the position of Ward 3 Council position. Mr. Armstrong listed his volunteer and work experiences.

President Corcoran: Is there anybody else that would like to address Council?

Cathy Coleman, 34979 Northview Circle: stated she is new to the community. Mrs. Coleman stated she walked into raw sewage within her home. She further stated she expected City Council to address the sewage issues within the community.

President Corcoran: Anybody else?

Jane Kisis, 6607 Dora Blvd., Independence, OH: stated she used to live on Northview. She has been trying to sell her condo, but cannot due to property values going down and the sewage issues. Mrs. Kisis asked who she needs to speak with to get this corrected.

President Corcoran: Just so you are all aware: Council meetings are your opportunities to talk to us. It is not an interactive forum. Your question is where to go and the Safety-Service Director's office, the Engineering Department; those are the places where you can get your answers, if not all of them. Mr. Boose, did you have anything else?

Councilman Boose: Can I make a comment? What we will do is; I know we have spoken to R.I.T.A. after this last situation happened and got the City involved. What we can do is set up meetings with your Association with the Safety-Service Director and make contact.

President Corcoran: Thanks Dennis. Anybody else?

Ana Wismer, 34934 Northview Circle: stated she has been in the Mayor's office several times. Mrs. Wismer stated sewers have been corrected in the past but never near Jaycox. She further wondered why her area is being skipped. Mrs. Wismer stated she lost her insurance.

President Corcoran: Thank you.

Karen Fecko, 34962 Northview Circle: stated she will no longer vote for the school levies or for public services due to the fact no one is supporting her regarding the flooding.

Erika Ventura, 34938 Northview Circle: sits on the HOA Board. Mrs. Ventura would like to see action in a timely manner regarding the flooding. She further stated she is considering foreclosure due to the sewage situation. Mrs. Ventura stated her first flooding cost her \$10,000.00.

President Corcoran: Thank you. Is there anybody else that would like to address Council this evening? Moving on to Administrator's reports. Mr. Safety-Service Director.

#### **ADMINISTRATORS REPORTS:**

**A. Mayor:** Excused

**B. Safety-Service Director:**

Safety-Service Director Armbruster: In the Mayor's absence, he has asked that T 99, T 100 and T 101 pass if that is possible, this evening, so we can get bids on the projects and get them done this year before the construction season is over in November. With regard to T 100, we will actually need Council's approval to move the waterline project from Lear Nagle to Denise and move the money as Lear Nagle is not ready to go right now. I'm sure the Engineer will explain more. We are not ready to go to move that money that was allocated in March from the \$527,000 for Lear Nagle to Denise bringing the cost of Denise up to \$695,710. Hopefully that can be done this evening by City Council by vote or the authority

to do so. That completes my report this evening except for one thing; I want to say to the IT Department, as we got into it, they did a commendable job this evening. When I came up here about 3:30 - 4:00 and saw all the wires that were cut and I said this is an impossibility to bring this back up. They did get three mics working and probably in another ten or fifteen minutes we would have had them all. Hopefully you all can hear us speak. Nice new carpet and microphones that will be working at the next Council meeting so those of you that are out there in TV land listening to us, it should be much nicer. My hats off to you and Angel for doing a good job under a lot of pressure from everybody to get it going. Fifteen minutes before you all arrived you would have noticed there was an awful lot of stuff in here, but we all pitched in including Larry, one of our residents out here to get it started and get it ready for all of us to be here and be presentable to the City tonight. That completes my report.

President Corcoran: Thank you. Mr. Engineer.

**C. Engineer:**

Engineer Wangler: To elaborate on what the Service Director said regarding the appropriations of the money: the waterline on Lear Nagle was intended to be; it is a hodge podge of different pieces and parts. I appropriated money to rectify that and when we looked at it and thought it would make more sense to do that when they were tearing the road up for widening rather than tearing it up twice. I looked at my capital improvements list and thought that money would be for better used in 2013 on Denise. That concludes my report.

President Corcoran: Thank you. Mr. Auditor.

**D. Auditor:**

Auditor Costin: Thank you. No report scheduled for this evening.

**E. Other Reports:**

President Corcoran: June 2013 Building Department report, June 2013 Police Department report, July 2013 Mayor's Court reports and the July 2013 Park & Recreation Director's report.

**COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORT(S):**

None.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Clerk of Council Smith:

- A memo dated July 17, 2013 from Engineer, Scott Wangler, requesting Council give final acceptance to Hampton Place Subdivision, Phase 1.
- A letter dated July 15, 2013 from the Department of Commerce, Division of Liquor Control notifying City Council that all permits to sell alcoholic beverages will expire on October 1, 2013.
- A letter received July 23, 2013 from Mr. Steve Lederman requesting the dismissal of Humane Officer Barry Accorti on behalf of Alley Cat Rescue.
- A letter received July 24, 2013 from Mr. and Mrs. MacLeod requesting the dismissal of Humane Officer Barry Accorti on behalf of Alley Cat Rescue.

- A letter received July 29, 2013 from Connie Burwell regarding the R.I.T.A. tax.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

None.

President Corcoran: Moving on to new business.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

President Corcoran: First up we are going to have nominations for Ward 3 Council position and Mrs. Johnson.

Councilwoman Johnson: At this time I would like to nominate Dr. Ron Arndt for the unexpired term of Mr. Jaenke.

President Corcoran: Thank you. Are there any other nominations for the position? Seeing none, the nominations are closed and we will take a vote on the nomination for Dr. Ron Arndt for the Ward 3 Council position; the unexpired remaining term of the position. Clerk, please call the roll.

Clerk of Council Smith: Unanimous acceptance.

Yes – 6                      No – 0

President Corcoran: Thank you. Congratulations to Dr. Ron Arndt. There will be a procedure where he is sworn in before he can take his seat officially and that process will be sorted out in the next few days. Moving on to T 96.

**Ordinance and Resolution Submittals**

Clerk of Council Smith:

**T 96-2013**      AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE THE EDITING AND INCLUSION OF CERTAIN ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS AS PARTS OF THE VARIOUS COMPONENT CODES OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES; TO APPROVE, ADOPT, ENACT AND PUBLISH NEW MATTER IN THE UPDATED AND REVISED CODIFIED ORDINANCES; AND TO REPEAL ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT THEREWITH.

President Corcoran: T 97.

Clerk of Council Smith:

**T 97-2013**      AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE NORTH RIDGEVILLE CODIFIED ORDINANCES BY ADDING A CHAPTER ESTABLISHING REGULATIONS FOR UNATTENDED COLLECTION BINS.

President Corcoran: I will refer that to the Building and Lands Committee. T 98

Clerk of Council Smith:

**T 98-2013**      AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING CERTAIN STREETS/IMPROVEMENTS LOCATED IN THE HAMPTON PLACE SUBDIVISION, PHASE 1, AND DEDICATING THEM FOR PUBLIC PURPOSES.

President Corcoran: T 99.

Clerk of Council Smith:

**T 99-2013** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT ACCORDING TO LAW AND IN A MANNER PRESCRIBED BY LAW WITH THE LOWEST AND BEST BIDDER FOR THE CORNELL AVENUE WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT PHASE 2 AND OTHER APPURTENANCES, NOT TO EXCEED \$465,400.00.

Moved by Olesen and seconded by Boose to suspend By-laws to give T 99 a first reading this evening.

President Corcoran: Any comments or questions?

Councilman Boose: Mr. President, this will complete our waterline replacement on Cornell from Center Ridge Road to about Cross has been completed. This will complete from Cross to the northern end of Cornell. Thank you.

President Corcoran: Thank you. Any other comments? All those in favor say yes. Those opposed say no.

Yes – 6                      No – 0

President Corcoran: T 99 will have its first reading. T 100.

Clerk of Council Smith:

**T 100-2013** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT ACCORDING TO LAW AND IN A MANNER PRESCRIBED BY LAW WITH THE LOWEST AND BEST BIDDER FOR THE DENISE DRIVE WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT AND OTHER APPURTENANCES, NOT TO EXCEED \$695,710.00.

Moved by Butkowski and seconded by Olesen to suspend By-laws to give T 100 a first reading this evening.

President Corcoran: Any comments or questions?

Councilman Boose: Mr. President, to avoid any potential conflict of interest, I will be abstaining according to all matters to this issue. Thank you.

President Corcoran: Thank you. Any other comments? Clerk, please call the roll.

Clerk of Council Smith: Passed with one abstention.

Yes – 5                      No – 0                      Abstain – 1 (Boose)

President Corcoran: T 100 will have its first reading. T 101.

Clerk of Council Smith:

**T 101-2013** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT ACCORDING TO LAW AND IN A MANNER PRESCRIBED BY LAW WITH THE LOWEST AND BEST BIDDER FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A 10-FOOT WIDE 1.2-MILE WALKING TRAIL THROUGH SOUTH CENTRAL PARK, THE NORTH RIDGEVILLE CITY SCHOOLS PROPERTY AND SAINT PETERS PARISH, NOT TO EXCEED \$330,000.00.

Moved by Boose and seconded by Buescher to suspend By-laws to give T 101 a first reading this evening.

President Corcoran: Any comments or questions?

Councilman Boose: Mr. President, this is one matter that the Park and Rec Commission in which I am a member, has voted and approved of. Yes and it is also a great example of how the community has worked to put together, not only within the community, but also being able to obtain outside grants. \$150,000 of this project was obtained through a grant with the Ohio Department of Natural Resources and \$15,000 was raised by the North Ridgeville Friends of the Park. All of these units coming together, along with the Park and Rec Commission and the City are making this trail a reality. Great example of how working together as a community to make things happen. Thank you.

President Corcoran: Thank you. All those in favor say yes. Those opposed say no.  
Yes – 6                      No – 0

President Corcoran: T 101 will have its first reading. T 102.

Clerk of Council Smith:

**T 102-2013** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NORTH RIDGEVILLE TO ENTER INTO AN EASEMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE NORTH RIDGEVILLE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT.

President Corcoran: That will be referred to the Planning Commission. T 103.

Clerk of Council Smith:

**T 103-2013** A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS TO ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,086.00.

Moved by Boose and seconded by Buescher to suspend By-laws to give T 103 a first reading this evening.

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

Yes – 6                      No – 0

President Corcoran: T 103 will have its first reading. That is the end of new business. That brings us to the recess portion of our meeting.

**RECESS:**

President Corcoran: Would anyone like a recess?

Moved by Johnson and seconded by Butkowski to dispense with the recess.

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

Yes – 6                  No – 0

President Corcoran: Moving on to first readings. First up we have T 64.

**FIRST READINGS:**

Clerk of Council Smith:

**T 64-2013**        A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE 2013 NORTH RIDGEVILLE PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN.

President Corcoran: T 65.

Clerk of Council Smith:

**T 65-2013**        AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NORTH RIDGEVILLE TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT FOR FIRE/ARSON INVESTIGATION MUTUAL AID ASSISTANCE WITH VARIOUS POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS AND AGENCIES IN LORAIN COUNTY.

President Corcoran: T 94.

Clerk of Council Smith:

**T 94-2013**        AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE SALE OF CERTAIN PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED BY THE CITY OF NORTH RIDGEVILLE PURSUANT TO O.R.C. SECTION 721.15(D).

President Corcoran: T 99.

Clerk of Council Smith:

**T 99-2013**        AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT ACCORDING TO LAW AND IN A MANNER PRESCRIBED BY LAW WITH THE LOWEST AND BEST BIDDER FOR THE CORNELL AVENUE WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT PHASE 2 AND OTHER APPURTENANCES, NOT TO EXCEED \$465,400.00.

Moved by Boose and seconded by Olesen to dispense with the second and third readings for T 99.

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

Yes – 6                  No – 0

Moved by Boose and seconded by Olesen to adopt T 99.

Moved by Boose and seconded by Olesen to add the emergency clause to T 99 for the health, safety and welfare of the community and to get this project started before the weather breaks.

President Corcoran: On the emergency clause itself, all those in favor say yes. Those opposed say no.

Yes – 6 No – 0

President Corcoran: On the adoption with the emergency clause, Clerk, please call the roll.

Clerk of Council Smith: Measure passed unanimously and becomes **Ordinance number 5060-2013.**

Yes – 6 No – 0

President Corcoran: Moving on to T 100.

Clerk of Council Smith:

**T 100-2013** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT ACCORDING TO LAW AND IN A MANNER PRESCRIBED BY LAW WITH THE LOWEST AND BEST BIDDER FOR THE DENISE DRIVE WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT AND OTHER APPURTENANCES, NOT TO EXCEED \$695,710.00.

Moved by Olesen and seconded by Butkowski to dispense with the second and third readings for T 100.

President Corcoran: Any comments or questions? Mr. Auditor.

Auditor Costin: Yes, as the SSD indicated, we will actually be moving the money that was earmarked for the Lear Nagle waterline project and because it is in the same group of accounts we can do that at the next appropriations amendment if Council chooses to pass this tonight.

President Corcoran: Thank you Mr. Costin. Any other comments or questions? On the dispensing of the second and third readings, Clerk, please call the roll.

Clerk of Council Smith: Passed with one abstention.

Yes – 5 No – 0 Abstain – 1 (Boose)

Moved by Olesen and seconded by Butkowski to adopt T 100.

Moved by Olesen and seconded by Butkowski to add the emergency clause in order to start construction before the weather changes.

President Corcoran: On the emergency clause itself, any questions? Clerk, please call the roll.

President Corcoran: Measure passed with one abstention.

Yes – 5 No – 0 Abstain – 1 (Boose)

President Corcoran: On the adoption with the emergency clause. Any comments or questions on the adoption? Clerk, please call the roll.

Clerk of Council Smith: Measure passed with one abstention and becomes **Ordinance number 5061-2013.**

Yes – 5          No – 0          Abstain – 1 (Boose)

President Corcoran: T 101.

Clerk of Council Smith:

**T 101-2013** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT ACCORDING TO LAW AND IN A MANNER PRESCRIBED BY LAW WITH THE LOWEST AND BEST BIDDER FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A 10-FOOT WIDE 1.2-MILE WALKING TRAIL THROUGH SOUTH CENTRAL PARK, THE NORTH RIDGEVILLE CITY SCHOOLS PROPERTY AND SAINT PETERS PARISH, NOT TO EXCEED \$330,000.00.

Moved by Boose and seconded by Johnson to dispense with the second and third readings for T 101.

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

Yes – 6          No - 0

Moved by Boose and seconded by Johnson to adopt T 101.

Moved by Boose and seconded by Johnson to add the emergency clause to T101 in order to start construction before the weather changes.

President Corcoran: On the emergency clause, any questions? All those in favor say yes. Those opposed say no.

Yes – 6          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: Measure passed unanimously and becomes **Ordinance number 5062-2013**.

Yes – 6          No – 0

President Corcoran: T 103.

Clerk of Council Smith:

**T 103-2013** A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS TO ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,086.00.

Moved by Boose and seconded by Butkowski to dispense with the second and third readings for T 103.

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

Yes – 6          No – 0

Moved by Boose and seconded by Butkowski to adopt T 103.

Councilman Boose: Mr. President, do we need the emergency to pay the engineering?

Moved by Boose and seconded by Butkowski to add the emergency to T 103 in order to pay for the completed work.

President Corcoran: The invoices were from May and June.

President Corcoran: Are there any comments on the emergency clause? All those in favor say yes. Those opposed say no.

Yes – 6                  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: Passed unanimously and becomes **Resolution number 1284-2013.**

President Corcoran: That is the end of the first readings.

**SECOND READINGS:**

None.

**THIRD READINGS:**

None.

President Corcoran: I'd like to thank everybody who applied for the Ward 3 Council position. We had a lot of good applicants. There were a lot of people; frankly, it surprised us for the amount of people that were interested in performing that roll. We are grateful to those people who have stepped up and we would encourage all of them to continue to be involved in the City and for some of them to get started getting involved in the City. We look forward to seeing more of them in the future.

**MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

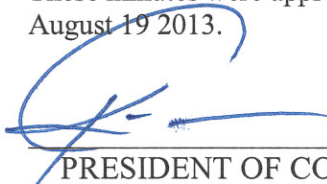
President Corcoran: Our next regular Council meeting is on Monday, August 19, 2013 at 7:30 P.M. in Council Chambers.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

President Corcoran: Seeing no other business to bring before the City this evening, this meeting is adjourned. The meeting was adjourned at 8:14 P.M.

Approval of minutes:

These minutes were approved at the regular meeting of the North Ridgeville Municipal Council on August 19 2013.



PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL



CLERK OF COUNCIL