

**NORTH RIDGEVILLE CITY COUNCIL
PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES
DECEMBER 15, 2025**

CALL TO ORDER:

President Jacobs called the Monday, December 15, 2025, Public Hearing to order at 6:45 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Led by President Jacobs.

ROLL CALL:

Present were Council Members President Jason Jacobs, Holly A. Swenk, Bruce Abens, Clifford Winkel, Georgia Awig, and Martin DeVries.

Councilman Eric Shaffer was excused.

Mayor Kevin Corcoran, Clerk of Council Nicholas Ciofani, and Assistant Clerk of Council Fijabi Gallam were also present.

This public hearing is being held to consider the following:

O 2025-159 AN ORDINANCE VACATING A PORTION OF ASPEN STREET.

(Introduced by Mayor Corcoran; First Reading on 11-17-2025; Planning Commission on 12-09-2025)

President Jacobs asked if anyone from the public had any comments.

Ellis and Jodi Stevens, of 5674 Ridgeview Boulevard, addressed City Council regarding the request to vacate a portion of the street abutting their property to the south. They explained that they have maintained this area since building their home in 2002. Mr. Stevens stated that he previously spoke with the Building Department, which informed him that no plans existed for that section of the roadway and encouraged them to pursue a vacation petition. He noted that survey work had been completed and submitted to the City. The Stevens requested clarification on the 20-foot utility easement referenced in the Ordinance, as they were not aware of any utilities running through that area; from their understanding, utilities run north-south. They also commented that the ditch located behind their property is privately maintained and, based on county auditor

records, is now owned by Drees, whose property extends to their property line. They added that the City has never accessed or used the swale area behind their home, and that existing fencing would prevent equipment access. The Stevenses reiterated that they are long-time residents of North Ridgeville and expressed appreciation for the opportunity to speak.

President Jacobs noted that Planning and Development Director Kim Lieber was present and could provide clarification regarding the easement.

There was no more discussion from City Council, the Administration, or the public.

ADJOURNMENT:

President Jacobs adjourned the Public Hearing at 6:51 p.m.

Approval of minutes on January 5, 2026:



Holly A. Swenk
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL



Nicholas Ciofani
CLERK OF COUNCIL