

North Ridgeville Democrats

Meeting Minutes July 29, 2109

Attendees: Bob Jaeckin, Daisie Reish, Ginny McCaskey, Jenna Meyer, Steve Cristino, Jan Jaeckin, Barbara McCarthy, Michele Esper, Charlie McBriarty, Tracey Fireson, Rebecca Cawrse, Cindy Wysochanski, Tony Rado, Nina Farkus, Karen Kirchner, Paul Wolanski, JoAnna Timura

Meeting location: North Ridgeville Public Library

- I. Bob Jaeckin called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm
- II. June 2019 Minutes approved
- III. June 2019 Treasurer's report presented and approved
- IV. New members – Mark Betleski and Rosemary Walmsley introduced themselves
- V. Candidate Joanna Timura announced that she is running for a one of two slots on the Board of Elections, and requested signatures on her petition.
- VI. Speaker: Jeff Wilchek , City Auditor
 - Overview of city financing
 - Highlights for 2019
 - 2018 Annual Audit completed – no material legal compliance issues, clean audit
 - City's bond rating renewed at Aa1 (second highest possible rating)
 - Renewed EMS/Ambulance levy with a .5 mil increase, 69.76% voted "yes"
 - Biggest financing challenges: flood control, streets, fire/police
 - Property tax dollars: largest share spent on school (53%)
 - Income tax revenues – in 2018, \$10 million spent on general fund, \$1.1 million on capital projects, \$584 K on debt service.
- VII. New members – Cindy Wysochanski, NR resident
- VIII. Candidates present: Paul Wolanski for mayor; Bob Jaeckin for Council – both plan to canvas and asked for help.
- IX. Bob reminded everyone that the Corn Festival booth will need to be staffed. We will also be marching in the parade. Michele has set up an on-line sign up sheet – URL was shared.
- X. Next meeting – School Superintendent Roxann Ramsey-Caserio will be giving a presentation on the schools and upcoming bond issue.
- XI. Bob adjourned the meeting.

Submitted by Ginny McCaskey