# TOWN OF RIDGEWAY TOWN BOARD MEETING MAY 18,2020, 7P.M.

# **MEETING HELD BY TELECONFERENCE**

# Those present by phone

Brian Napoli Town Supervisor
Jeffery Toussaint Councilman
Mary Woodruff Councilwoman
David Stalker Councilman
Duane Payne Councilman

John Olinger Highway Superintendent

Karen Kaiser Town Clerk

Laurie Kilburn Deputy Town Clerk

Patricia Laszewski Assessor Kathy Bogan Attorney

Dan Wolfe Code Enforcement Officer

Tim Elliott Village Board/Ridgeway Planning Board

Ed Walker U.S. Census

The meeting was called to order at 7 P.M. by Supervisor Napoli who thanked everyone for dialing in.

RESOLUTION NO.63-05/18/2020 RESOLUTION TO ACC

RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT THE AGENDA FOR THE MAY 18,2020 MEETING

Offered by Councilwoman Woodruff who moved its adoption. Seconded by Councilman Stalker

# Adopted:

Supervisor Napoli yes
Councilman Toussaint yes
Councilwoman Woodruff yes
Councilman Stalker yes
Councilman Payne yes

Resolved to accept the agenda for the May 18,2020 meeting.

# RESOLUTION NO.64-05/18/2020

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE TOWN BOARD MINUTES OF THE APRIL 20,2020 TOWN BOARD MEETING HELD BY TELE-COMMUNICATION.

Offered by Councilman Payne who moved its adoption. Seconded by Councilman Stalker.

#### Adopted:

Supervisor Napoli yes
Councilman Toussaint yes
Councilwoman Woodruff yes
Councilman Stalker yes
Councilman Payne yes

Resolved to approve the minutes of the April 20,2020 Town Board meeting held via telecommunication.

Ed Walker from New York Census addressed the Board regarding the re-starting of operations in Orleans County pertaining to the 2020 Census. Mr. Walker stated that starting on Wednesday May 20<sup>th</sup> the Census people would be out in the rural areas where peoples mail addresses are P.O. Boxes dropping off packages regarding the Census, and that there would be NO human contact. The people dropping off the information will have identification stating that they are with the US Census department.

Mr. Walker further stated that he had spent the entire day contacting local municipalities informing Town/Village offices as well as local law enforcement. Census operations are set back 90 to 120 days due to COVID-19. Mr. Walker will keep the Town informed regarding up dates.

# **COMMUNICATIONS:**

- A. Hodgson -Russ: Continued representation.
- B. Orleans County Personnel Office. Letter regarding Fire Company celebratory drive by that non-fire business would not be covered by County Self-Insurance. a letter forwarded to Fire Company Personnel.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- A. WD#13 extension. Superintendent Olinger stated that as soon as the materials needed were delivered, they would be ready to begin.
- B. Phase One partial re-open two-week test and two-week evaluation. Supervisor Napoli stated that Mayor Sidari of the Village of Medina posted that after the two-week start there would be no additional two-week follow-up unless there was a setback by May 29th.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

RESOLUTION NO.65-05/18/2020

RESOLUTION: APPROVE THE MAINTENANCE CONTRACT WITH TURNBULL HEATING AND AIR CONDITIONING FOR 2020 \$790.00 AUTHORIZE SUPERVISOR TO SIGN.

Offered by Councilwoman Woodruff who moved its adoption. Seconded by Councilman Payne.

#### Adopted:

Supervisor Napoli yes
Councilman Toussaint yes
Councilwoman Woodruff yes
Councilman Stalker No
Councilman Payne yes

Resolved to allow Supervisor to sign 2020 maintenance contract in the amount of \$790.00 with Turnbull Heating and Air-conditioning.

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# RESOLUTION NO.66-05/18/2020

RESOLUTION: POSTPONE FAIR HOUSING MONTH FROM APRIL TO AUGUST OF 2020.

Offered by Councilman Toussaint who moved its adoption. Seconded by Councilman Stalker.

#### Adopted:

Supervisor Napoli yes
Councilman Toussaint yes
Councilwoman Woodruff yes
Councilman Stalker yes
Councilman Payne yes

Resolved to postpone Fair Housing Month until August of 2020.

RESOLUTION NO.67-05/18/2020

RESOLUTION: TO SEND A LETTER OF SUPPORT TO FEDERAL REPRESENTATIVES CONCERNING STIMULUS TO ALL LOCAL GOVERNMENTS.

Offered by Councilman Stalker who moved its adoption. Seconded by Councilwoman Woodruff

#### Adopted:

Supervisor Napoli yes
Councilman Toussaint yes
Councilwoman Woodruff yes
Councilman Stalker yes
Councilman Payne yes

Resolved to send a letter of support to our federal representatives concerning stimulus to all local governments

RESOLUTION NO.68-05/18/2020 RESOLUTION: POST STANDARD WORK

DAY FOR THE TOWN ASSESSOR LASZEWSKI AS 5 DAYS PER WEEK, 6.5 HOURS PER DAY. REPORT SENT TO

**NYSLERS** 

Offered by Councilwoman Woodruff who moved its adoption. Seconded by Councilman Stalker.

#### Adopted:

Supervisor Napoli yes
Councilman Toussaint yes
Councilwoman Woodruff yes
Councilman Stalker yes
Councilman Payne yes

Resolved to post the standard work day for the Town Assessor Patricia Laszewski as 5 days per week 6.5 hours per day. Send report to NYSLERS.

RESOLUTION NO.69-05/18/2020

RESOLUTION TO CONTINUE TO RETAIN HODGSON RUSS ATTORNEYS AS LEGAL REPRESENTATION FOR THE TOWN OF RIDGEWAY.

Offered by Councilman Payne who moved its adoption. Seconded by Councilman Toussaint.

# Adopted:

Supervisor Napoli yes
Councilman Toussaint yes
Councilwoman Woodruff yes
Councilman Stalker yes
Councilman Payne yes

Resolved to continue to retain Hodgson Russ as legal representation for the Town of Ridgeway.

# **OTHER BUSINESS**

- A. Fire Company report (no report due to COVID-19)
- B. Department and County Legislator reports.

**Assessor Patricia Laszewski**- Ms. Laszewski stated that the tentative roll was completed for May 1<sup>st</sup>.Grevience day coming up May 26<sup>th</sup> from 4 to 8 P.M. must be at least 3 on the board. They will be in the building one at a time no one scheduled as of yet.

Julie Cecchini (Assessor Trainee) class at Cornell was cancelled and the class for June has not been cancelled yet.

**Code Enforcement Officer Dan Wolfe-**Contractors are anxious to get started. Ms. Costich on Marshal road had contacted Code Enforcement Officer Wolfe and some members of the board. Larry Pratt from the Health Department went out with Code Enforcement Officer Wolfe there is now a dumpster on the property and the problem is being resolved. Councilman Stalker asked if there was someone living in a camper on the premises Code Enforcement Officer Wolfe stated that as long as there was a principal

structure from May 1st to September 30<sup>th</sup> they could stay in the camper while working on the primary structure.

Code Enforcement Officer Wolfe further stated that Roger's house on Knowlesville Road settled and is now a single occupancy. Mr. Wolfe does not expect any further problems.

**Highway Superintendent**-Highway Superintendent Olinger said the men from the Highway have been replacing culvert pipes, paving, ditching, mowing cemetery's and hooking people up to the new water district. Pressure testing will be done when the weather is a little warmer in Knowlesville. Councilman Stalker asked if the pressure was up in Knowlesville?

Superintendent Olinger stated that perhaps a little, but just because of a few adjustments on the pumps that it was liable to drop some as more people hook up.

**Town Clerk**-Town Clerk Kaiser 2020 Taxes have been turned into the County and the Town of Ridgeway balanced to the penny with a check for penalties coming back to the Town in the amount of \$8337.09. 1<sup>st</sup> Deputy Kilburn is back to work, and we are glad to have her back. We have received several thank you notes from the customers thanking us for being here during this difficult time. Thank you to everyone on the board for your patience during this time.

No Legislators are present.

Councilman reports:

**Councilman Toussaint**- Nothing to add at this time

Councilwomen Woodruff-Councilman Woodruff stated that There are 69 new Home Town Hero Banners this year for a total number of 108. The old banners are on West Ave. to Maple Ridge Road. The new banners start at Starr Street and go to the American Legion. The Mayor of Medina has allowed two groups from the Village Public Works Department to help display the banners and they look wonderful.

Because we cannot have an open house for the new banners, I (Councilman Woodruff) will take pictures and make sure they are sent with the location to the sponsors. I hope to have it all done by Memorial Day.

**Councilman Stalker-**Councilman Stalker asked would the Town Hall be open for appointments? Supervisor Napoli stated the he and the Town Clerk were working on it.

Councilman Payne- Nothing new to add at this time

The Supervisor asked for a motion to pay the bills as presented.

Abstract Total: \$33,644.20

Offered by Councilman Toussaint. Seconded by Councilman Stalker

Motion to adjourn.
Offered by Councilman Stalker.
Seconded by Councilman Payne.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:37 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by,

Karen L. Kaiser Town Clerk, RMC