

**Town of Ridgeway
Board Meeting
Monday, August 15, 2022
410 West Avenue, Medina**

Officers Present:	Brian Napoli	Supervisor
	Duane Payne	Councilman
	Cliff Barber	Councilman
	Mary Woodruff	Councilwoman
	Jeffrey Toussaint	Councilman
	Trisha Laszewski	Assessor
	John Olinger	Highway Superintendent
	Hannah Hill	Town Clerk
	Jason Raduns	Code Enforcement Officer
	Kathy Bogan	Town Attorney
Others Present:	Don Marchner	Ridgeway Fire Co. President

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Napoli at 7:00 PM with the reciting of the pledge of allegiance.

RESOLUTION NO. 70 – 8/15/2022 RESOLUTION: ACCEPT THE AGENDA FOR AUGUST 15, 2022 MEETING

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

Adopted: 5 Ayes 0 Nays

Resolved to accept the agenda for the August 15, 2022 Town Board meeting.

RESOLUTION NO. 71 – 8/15/2022 RESOLUTION: ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF THE TOWN BOARD MEETING ON JULY 18, 2022 AS PRESENTED

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

Adopted: 5 Ayes 0 Nays

Resolved to accept the minutes for the Town Board meeting on July 18, 2022 as presented.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- A. Velocitii update: hiring and purchasing equipment.
- B. September: start of 2023 budget cycle
- C. Request from Village of Medina to use Ridgeway Board room for Planning and Zoning Board meetings. Supervisor Napoli explained that the steps into the village hall do not

comply with ADA regulations. The Board and Town attorney discussed a possible per-meeting charge, but no decision was made.

D. Traffic Diversion proceeds: \$4,368.00

DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS:

Workshop: September 13, 2022, 7 PM, Ridgeway Town Hall

Board Meeting: September 19, 2022, 7 PM, Ridgeway Town Hall

OLD BUSINESS:

WD#15: Reconfigure district: Supervisor Napoli and Highway Superintendent Olinger had a meeting with MRB group about Water District 15. They were told that even with reconfiguration, the USDA would not fund the project and the debt service for each household would be extremely high. They are looking at other options.

NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION NO. 72 – 8/15/2022

**RESOLUTION: ARPA AWARD TO RIDGEWAY
VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY: \$60,000**

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

Adopted: 5 Ayes 0 Nays

Resolved to award ARPA funds to the Ridgeway Fire Company in the amount of \$60,000.

Ridgeway Fire Co. President Don Marchner thanked the Board on behalf of the Fire Department. He explained that it would help greatly to cover the loss of revenue over last few years and will help buy equipment and gear that is needed. Mr. Marchner said that in the long run, this benefits the entire Town of Ridgeway and that the money will be put to good use.

RESOLUTION NO. 73 – 8/15/2022

**RESOLUTION: DECLARE AS JUNK LIST PROVIDED BY
TOWN CLERK AND DISPOSE OF ITEMS**

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

Adopted: 5 Ayes 0 Nays

Resolved to declare as junk items on list provided by the Town Clerk and to dispose of those items.

New Building Permit Application: Code Enforcement Officer Raduns explained that he has changed and simplified the building permit application, making it less redundant and easier to fill out. The application would be used for the Towns of Ridgeway, Yates, and the Village of Lyndonville. The Board had questions about any differences between the old and new application, and asked to see both applications before making a decision. It was also brought up that it may be a good time to update the fee schedule. The matter was tabled.

OTHER BUSINESS:

- A. Fire Company Report, read by Councilman Payne.



PRESIDENT
DON MARCHNER

FIRE CHIEF
PAT KELLY

FIRE REPORT - MONTH OF JULY 2022

EMS - 13
MVA - 5
MUTUAL AID - 2
VEHICLE FIRE - 1
AUTO. ALARM - 1
BRUSH FIRE - 2

TOTAL - 24
TOTAL CALLS FOR YEAR - 193

FIREFIGHTER HOURS ON CALLS - 115.23
TOTAL HOURS FOR YEAR - 899.35

AVERAGE FIREFIGHTERS PER CALL - 4.39

- B. Department and County Legislator Reports:

Town Clerk: Clerk Hill said that August 1st began a new year for hunting licenses, and her office has been busy selling those as well as cleaning up Bates Road Cemetery maps with the help of Superintendent Olinger. The Clerk's office also sent out letters to dog owners whose licenses expired in 2020 in an effort to get all dog licenses current.

Assessor: Assessor Laszewski updated the Board about a new bill that was recently signed into law that allows for higher exemption thresholds.

Code Enforcement Officer: CEO Raduns said he has been doing permits, inspections, organizing, and training. He told the Board that the Town of Yates is using ARPA money to put all codes, local laws, and zoning ordinances online, and he would like Ridgeway to look into doing that as well. The cost would be around \$15,000.

Highway Superintendent: Superintendent Olinger said the highway department will be working on weed control, and fall mowing is coming up soon. The department has helped other towns in the area with paving and has been flushing water lines, painting fire hydrants, and installing culvert pipes.

Town Attorney: Attorney Bogan wanted to personally thank the Ridgeway Fire Department for their quick and impressive response to a bad accident near her home recently.

C. Councilman Reports:

Councilman Payne: nothing to report

Councilman Toussaint: nothing to report

Councilman Barber: nothing to report

Councilwoman Woodruff: Councilwoman Woodruff said that the Joint Recreation Program officially ended August 12th, and the final meeting is Thursday August 18th where Michelle Capstick will present to the committee. It was a successful summer.

D. Pay Bills:

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

Total Abstract: \$ 145,401.16

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

Motion carried: 5 Ayes 0 Nays

QUESTIONS/COMMENTS:

Supervisor Napoli asked for any questions or comments.

As there was no further business, Supervisor Napoli asked for a motion to adjourn.

The motion was offered by Councilman Barber and seconded by Councilman Payne.

Motion carried: 5 Ayes 0 Nays

The meeting was adjourned at 7:51pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Hannah Hill
Ridgeway Town Clerk