# Town of Ridgeway Town Board Meeting Monday, July 17, 2023 410 West Avenue, Medina

Officers Present: Brian Napoli Supervisor

Jeffrey Toussaint Councilman
Duane Payne Councilman
Cliff Barber Councilman
Hannah Hill Town Clerk
Kathy Bogan Town Attorney

Trisha Laszewski Assessor

John Olinger Highway Superintendent

**Others Present:** Don Marchner

Diana Baker

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Napoli at 7:07 PM with the reciting of the pledge of allegiance.

RESOLUTION NO. 59-7/17/2023 RESOLUTION: ACCEPT THE AGENDA FOR JULY 17, 2023 MEETING

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

Adopted: 4 Ayes 0 Nays

Resolved to accept the agenda for the July 17, 2023 Town Board Meeting.

RESOLUTION NO. 60-7/17/2023 RESOLUTION: ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF THE JUNE 19, 2023 MEETING AS PRESENTED

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

Adopted: 4 Ayes 0 Nays

Resolved to accept the minutes for the June 19, 2023 Board Meeting as presented.

#### COMMUNICATIONS:

- A. Orleans County Treasurer: \$119,912.43 for plowing and mowing
- B. NYS Department of Taxation and Finance, State Equalization rate for Ridgeway: 100%; Supervisor Napoli expressed his appreciation to Assessor Laszewski and Julie Cecchini for their hard work in getting the Town to 100%.
- C. Orleans County Treasurer, sales tax: \$78,358.93

- D. Orleans County Board of Elections notice to budget for three elections in 2024: Presidential Primary, State and Local Primary, and General Election.
- E. Public Hearing at Orleans County Legislative Chambers Wednesday, July 19th at 7PM regarding a proposed district court. Supervisor Napoli asked for input from Attorney Bogan. She told the Board that the key question that the Towns should be asking is what it will cost the Towns and recommended going to the public hearing for more information. She also explained what a district court would look like in the county and that there would be more public hearings before it is on the ballot in November.

#### DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS:

Workshop: August 15, 2023, 7PM, Ridgeway Town Hall Town Board Meeting: August 21, 2023, 7PM, Ridgeway Town Hall

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Water District #15: Congresswoman Tenney's office response sent to Paul Chatfield's office and Barb Johnston at Labella Associates.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

**RESOLUTION NO. 61-7/17/2023** 

RESOLUTION: ADOPT LOCAL LAW #1 OF 2023 ENTITLED: A LOCAL LAW PROVIDING FOR THE ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF THE NYS UNIFORM FIRE PREVENTION AND BUILDING CODE AND NYS ENERGY CONSERVATION CONSTRUCTION CODE AND ESTABLISHING A LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM

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

Adopted: 4 Ayes 0 Nays

Resolved to adopt Local Law #1 of 2023.

(See attached Local Law)

**RESOLUTION NO. 62-7/17/2023** 

RESOLUTION: APPOINT MARIE WEHLING TO RIDGEWAY ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

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

Adopted: 4 Ayes 0 Nays

Resolved to appoint Marie Wehling to the Ridgeway Zoning Board of Appeals.

**RESOLUTION NO. 63-7/17/2023** 

RESOLUTION: APPROVE ENGAGEMENT LETTER FOR ALLIED FINANCIAL TO CONDUCT 2022 AUDIT. AUTHORIZE SUPERVISOR TO SIGN.

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

Adopted:

4 Ayes

0 Nays

Resolved to approve engagement letter for Allied Financial to conduct 2022 audit and authorize Supervisor to sign.

**RESOLUTION NO. 64-7/17/2023** 

RESOLUTION: AUTHORIZE SUPERVISOR TO SIGN AUDITOR LETTER FOR TOWN ATTORNEY KATHERINE BOGAN TO RESPOND TO ALLIED FINANCIAL REQUEST FOR INFORMATION.

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

Adopted:

4 Ayes

0 Nays

Resolved to authorize Supervisor to sign auditor letter for Attorney Bogan to respond to Allied Financial request for information.

**RESOLUTION NO. 65-7/17/2023** 

RESOLUTION: AUTHORIZE SUPERVISOR TO SIGN ATTORNEY SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH JOHN SANSONE.

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

Adopted:

4 Ayes

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Resolved to authorize Supervisor to sign attorney service agreement with John Sansone.

## **OTHER BUSINESS:**

A. Fire Company Report for May and June:



#### **FIRE REPORT MONTH OF MAY 2023**

EMS - 15 MVA - 6 VEHICLE FIRE - 1 DOWNED AIR CRAFT - 1 (MUTUAL AID)

TOTAL - 23 YTD - 129

TOTAL HOURS ON CALLS - 133.56 YTD - 848.36

FIREFIGHTERS PER CALL - 6.39

THERE WERE TWO NEW MEMBERS SWORN IN AS ACTIVE FIREFIGHTERS



#### **FIRE REPORT MONTH OF JUNE 2023**

EMS - 11
AUTOMATIC ALARM - 3
MUTUAL AID - 2
MVA - 2
HAZARDOUS CONDITION - 1
TRAFFIC CONTROL - 1
ELECTRICAL FIRE - 1
GOOD INTENT - 1

**TOTAL 22 YTD - 151** 

HOURS ON CALLS - 135.5 YTD - 983.86

THERE WER TWO ADDITIONAL FIREFIGHTERS SWORN IN AS ACTIVE AND ONE AS SOCIAL MEMBERS

## B. Department and County Legislator Reports:

**Town Clerk**: Town Clerk Hill said her office has been collecting water bills, catching up on delinquent dog licenses and some cemetery things as well.

**Assessor:** nothing to report.

**Town Attorney:** Attorney Bogan thanked the Town highway department for fixing the water leak near her house. Highway Superintendent Olinger said that the old water lines on 63 need to be replaced and that money is available to fund the project.

**Highway Superintendent:** Superintendent Olinger said the highway department has been very busy and has been fixing water main breaks, finishing paving, and working on sealing. He

thanked the Fire Department for their help closing a road while they worked after dark on a water main break.

## C. Councilman Reports:

Councilman Payne: nothing to report

Councilman Barber: nothing to report

**Councilman Toussaint**: Councilman Toussaint said that he has not caught up with Michelle Capstick for an update on the Summer Rec Program. Village Trustee Diana Baker said that she has heard only positive feedback on the program.

## D. Pay Bills:

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

A- General Townwide	\$ 3	4,788.93
B- General Outside Village	\$	1523.21
DA- Highway Townwide	\$	7229.04
DB- Highway Outside Village	\$13	36,883.93
SL- Knowlesville Light District	\$	257.23
SS- Knowlesville Sewer	\$	476.83
SW- Water Improvement Areas	\$ 9	8,599.68

Total Abstract: \$279,900.36

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

Motion carried: 4 Ayes 0 Nays

## **QUESTIONS/COMMENTS:**

Supervisor Napoli opened up the floor 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: 4 Ayes 0 Nays

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Hannah Hill

Ridgeway Town Clerk