

**Town of Ridgeway
Town Board Meeting
Thursday, February 20, 2025
410 West Avenue, Medina**

Officers Present:	Brian Napoli	Supervisor
	Jeffrey Toussaint	Councilman
	Cliff Barber	Councilman
	Duane Payne	Councilman
	Mary Woodruff	Councilwoman
	Hannah Hill	Town Clerk
	John Olinger	Highway Superintendent
	Julie Cecchini	Assessor
	Kathy Bogan	Town Attorney

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

ACCEPT AGENDA:

Supervisor Napoli asked for a motion to accept the agenda for the February 20, 2025 meeting. The motion was offered by Councilman Toussaint and seconded by Councilman Barber.

Motion Carried: 5 Ayes 0 Nays

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Supervisor Napoli asked for a motion to accept the minutes of the January 21, 2025 meeting as presented. The motion was offered by Councilwoman Woodruff and seconded by Councilman Toussaint.

Motion Carried: 5 Ayes 0 Nays

COMMUNICATIONS:

- A. Letter of congratulations sent to Justin McAdoo for being named Ridgeway's Firefighter of the Year.
- B. Municipal Shelter Inspection Reports
- C. Attorney letters from Allied Financial, our independent auditors
- D. Office of the District Attorney: Traffic Diversion proceeds, \$2400.00
- E. Thank you from Helena Chemical
- F. NYS/Cornell: Local Roads Program

DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS:

Work Session: March 11, 2025, 7PM, Ridgeway Town Hall
Town Board Meeting: March 17, 2025, 7PM, Ridgeway Town Hall

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Comptroller onsite audit completed; final report to come in the Spring.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. RESOLUTION NO. 18 - 02/20/2025 RESOLUTION: APPROVE RIDGEWAY COURT AUDIT AND SEND TO OFFICE OF COURT ADMINISTRATION

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

Adopted: 5 Ayes 0 Nays

Resolved to approve Ridgeway Court audit and send to Office of Court Administration.

B. RESOLUTION NO. 19 - 02/20/2025 RESOLUTION: APPROVE DECOMMISSIONING BOND FOR SWETT ROAD SOLAR 1, LLC

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

Adopted: 5 Ayes 0 Nays

Resolved to approve decommissioning bond for Swett Road Solar 1, LLC.

C. RESOLUTION NO. 20 - 02/20/2025 RESOLUTION: APPOINT REGINALD CICHOCKI TO THE RIDGEWAY ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

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

Adopted: 5 Ayes 0 Nays

Resolved to appoint Reginald Cichocki to the Ridgeway Zoning Board of Appeals.

D. RESOLUTION NO. 21 - 02/20/2025 RESOLUTION: APPROVE SUPERVISOR TO SIGN ATTORNEY LETTERS FOR ALLIED FINANCIAL

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

Adopted: 5 Ayes 0 Nays

Resolved to approve Supervisor to sign attorney letters to Allied Financial.

E. RESOLUTION NO. 22 - 02/20/2025 RESOLUTION: APPROVE PURCHASE OF 2024 JOHN DEERE GATOR XUV835M HVAC FOR \$28,640.24

Offered by Councilwoman Woodruff who moved its adoption.

Seconded by Councilman Toussaint.

Adopted: 5 Ayes 0 Nays

Resolved to approve purchase of 2024 John Deere Gator for \$28,640.24.

**F. RESOLUTION NO. 23 - 02/20/2025 RESOLUTION: REMOVE ITEMS FROM INVENTORY:
TWO (2) BLACK OFFICE CHAIRS, DISCARD AS JUNK**

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

Adopted: 5 Ayes 0 Nays

Resolved to remove two (2) black office chairs from inventory and discard.

OTHER BUSINESS:

A. Fire Company Report for January:

None received.

B. Department and County Legislator Reports:

Town Clerk: Town Clerk Hill had nothing at this time, but asked about an older laptop that the assessors are no longer using due to the purchase of a new one. After discussion, the Board decided to discard the laptop as junk.

**RESOLUTION NO. 24 - 02/20/2025 RESOLUTION: REMOVE ITEMS FROM INVENTORY:
ONE (1) DELL LAPTOP DISCARDED AS JUNK**

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

Adopted: 5 Ayes 0 Nays

Resolved to remove Dell laptop from inventory and discard as junk.

Assessor: Assessor Cecchini said her office is pretty quiet but they have been busy with exemptions. She told the Board that the equalization rate for this year's roll will go down to 90 from 97. She said that she will be going ahead with another reassessment next year.

Attorney: nothing to report

Highway Superintendent: Superintendent Olinger said that his department is doing a lot of plowing and they are running low on salt, but did get four hundred ton in this week. He explained that this year they have used almost twice the amount of salt as previous years.

C. Councilman Reports:

Councilman Payne: nothing to report

Councilman Toussaint: nothing to report

Councilwoman Woodruff: Councilwoman Woodruff brought up the topic of the GO-Art project at the fairgrounds and the Board discussed. Attorney Bogan suggested speaking to Robert Batt from Cornell Cooperative Extension for more information. Councilman Barber expressed that he believes the Town should have been notified about this project and suggested that the Board invite Mr. Batt, Orleans County Legislators, and other members of the Cornell Co-op Board to the next workshop. The Board agreed that this was a good idea.

Councilman Barber: nothing to report

D. Pay Bills:

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

A- General Townwide	\$ 69,905.65
B- General Outside Village	\$ 2,549.42
DA- Highway Townwide	\$ 32,559.78
DB- Highway Outside Village	\$ 138.95
SF- Fire Protection District	\$ 212,919.00
SL- Knowlesville Light District	\$ 472.23
SS- Knowlesville Sewer	\$ 1,132.59
SW- Water Improvement Areas	\$ 13,218.64
Total Abstract:	\$ 332,896.26

Offered by Councilman Toussaint, seconded by Councilman Payne.

Motion carried: 5 Ayes 0 Nays

OPEN SESSION: QUESTIONS, PUBLIC COMMENT

Supervisor Napoli asked for any questions or comments. None were heard.

As there was no further business, Supervisor Napoli asked for a motion to adjourn. The motion was offered by Councilwoman Woodruff and seconded by Councilman Barber.

Motion carried: 5 Ayes 0 Nays

The meeting was adjourned at 7:58 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Hannah Hill
Ridgeway Town Clerk