



BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES

May 14, 2024 at 7:00 PM

Ridgeway Community Center - Room 101/102 208 Jarvis Street, Ridgeway, WI 53582

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Meeting called to order by President Casper at 7:00 pm.

PRESENT: President Michele Casper, Trustee Cindy Niehaus, Trustee Kellee Venden, Trustee Ruth Nevins, Trustee Brad Butler, Trustee Julene Garner, Trustee Steve Vosberg, Dale Peterson-Director of Public Works, Braden Losby -Streets and Parks Superintendent, Shyanne Cushman-Deputy/Utility Clerk, Lori Phelan-Clerk/Treasurer

ABSENT: Marshal Michael Gorham

CONFIRMATION OF OPEN MEETING

Phelan indicated this was a properly noticed meeting posted on May 10, 2024, at the Ridgeway Community Center and the Village website, with notification sent via email/text to subscribers with an amended agenda posted on May 13, 2024.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS RECITED.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Tracy Peterson thanked the board for the work being done at the park with the new poles and lights. Also appreciates the clean-up days. He had questions relating to MHTC fiber. Casper said to reach out to MHTC directly.

Motion by Vosberg, Seconded by Niehaus to adopt the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried.

1. Minutes to be Adopted: Board of Trustees April 9, 2024, Finance Committee May 6, 2024
2. ACH Payments and General Fund Disbursements
3. Adoption of Agenda

ANNOUNCEMENTS, DEPARTMENT REPORTS, AND CORRESPONDENCE

4. President Casper appointed:
Niehaus as chair of the Public Works, Safety and Health Committee, Butler and Nevins as members.
All other committees remain unchanged.

D Peterson resignation accepted with his last day to be May 31, 2024. Casper shared that the Director of Public Works position has been posted on the Village website, Indeed, Wisconsin

Wastewater Operation Association, League of Wisconsin Municipalities, Rural Water Association and the Village Facebook page.

Phelan informed the board that the Village Community Center is being switched to MHTC Fiber and phone. Dennis will be on site with the MHTC technicians to ensure all is set up for a smooth transition. Cost savings to the village will be over \$2000 per year.

Notification received that Iowa County Highway Department project has been approved. Craig Hardy to discuss more at the June board meeting.

Phelan shared the award of the 2024 Recycling Grant in the amount of \$2641.79 has been received from the DNR.

5. Losby shared that the delivery of the skid steer will be the week of May 20th. The new mower is working great!
Peterson, Losby and Phelan provided updates on the projects at the park and depot. All light poles have been placed and lights are being installed and anticipate they will be working next week. ADA sidewalks and paths have been put in place in the park and Depot. Asphalt was laid at the Depot today. Clean up and landscaping will be done for project completion.
Department reports have been received and filed.
6. Property Insurance Appraisal was shared in the announcements.
James Orr Inspection Report for Well #1 West Farwell Street, passed.
Casper informed the board that she gave pre-approval for Peterson to order the Polymer Drum and GeoTubes due to the anticipated long delivery time for the GeoTubes.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION AND ACTION

7. **Motion by Nevins, Seconded by Niehaus to accept the Plan Commission recommendation to allow Jon & Sue Husom to put in their own well and septic at 56 Stonier Lane, contingent on a passing perk test and future hook up to Village Utilities if they become available. The home owner will be responsible for sealing up the well and septic at their own expense.**
Motion carried.
8. **Motion by Butler, Seconded by Niehaus to accept the recommendation of the Plan Commission to rezone 711 Main Street from B-1 to R-2.**
Motion carried.
9. **Motion by Niehaus, Seconded by Garner to accept the recommendation of the Plan Commission to assign the address of 108 E Keane Street to parcel ID 177-0203.08.**
Motion carried.
10. **Motion by Vosberg, Seconded by Butler to approve the Leary CSM for 108 E Keane Street.**
Motion carried.
11. **Motion by Venden, Seconded by Niehaus to rent the Golden Room at a rate of \$550 per month to Candice Stolz, per the published fee schedule or July-Dec for \$3000 (\$500/month). Revisit end of year for annual agreement.**

Motion carried.

Phelan will contact Candice.

12. Community Center Roof hasn't been leaking. Braden, Lori and Shyanne will keep an eye on it.
13. High Flows and Manhole Leak quotes have been requested. Tabled till next month.
14. **Motion by Niehaus, Seconded by Butler to approve a budget amount not to exceed \$15,000 for the Independence Day Celebration being held on Saturday, June 29, 2024.**

Motion carried.

15. Cushman shared the funds raised by the RaeAnn Butteris and the library volunteers for new carpet have reached \$6725.00. Casper recommended using the funds donated by the Cullen, Johnson and McSherry families to cover the remaining amount and move forward with ordering and installation.

Motion by Venden, Seconded by Butler to use up to \$3500 for new carpet and installation in the library from the donations.

Motion carried.

16. **After discussion a motion was made by Butler and Seconded by Niehaus to continue with our current pest control service.**

Motion carried.

17. Jamie Coogan was in attendance with interest in the portable building on the back side of the Community Center. He had questions regarding the current status and what the expectations would be for clean-up. After some discussion he is still interested. He will get back to Phelan as he works to try to get a plan in place for moving it.
18. **Motion by Nevins, Seconded by Garner to approve the Rule Construction pay app #2 in the amount of \$72,043.89**

Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Nevins, Seconded by Garner to adjourn at 8:58pm