

THE VILLAGE OF



RIDGEWAY

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES

June 09, 2026 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 Butler at 7:00 pm.

PRESENT: President Bradley Butler, Trustee John Harpold, Trustee Cynthia Niehaus, Trustee Kayla Goebel, Trustee Julene Garner, Trustee Ruth Nevins, Lamont Larkins-Director of Public Works, Kevin Meckley-Streets and Parks Superintendent, and Lori Phelan-Clerk/Treasurer.

CONFIRMATION OF OPEN MEETING

Phelan confirmed this was a properly noticed meeting being posted on June 5, 2026 at the Ridgeway Community Center and on the Village website with notifications being sent to subscribers via email and/or text.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The pledge was recited.

PUBLIC COMMENT

*Members of the public may address the Village Board during this time. Comments are limited to **three (3) minutes** per speaker. The Village Board will **not engage in discussion or take action** on items presented during public comment. However, issues raised may be referred to Village staff or scheduled for discussion at a future meeting.*

None

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by **Butler** to adopt the consent agenda, seconded by **Nevins**. Motion carried.

1. Minutes to be Adopted:
Board of Trustees, May 12, 2026
2. ACH Payments and General Fund Disbursements
Pooled Checking Account Disbursements-\$64,407.52
Chase Credit Card Purchases-\$850.99
Citibank Costco Credit Card Purchases-\$479.26

April ACH Payments-\$88,469.09

April Payroll-\$16,316.00

3. Adoption of Agenda

ANNOUNCEMENTS, DEPARTMENT REPORTS, AND CORRESPONDENCE

4. President Messages:

Butler updated the Board to share that a new citizen member of the Park & Recreation Commission has been appointed. Her name is Grace Zouski. Planning for the Independence Day Celebration is moving along. Square has been set up to be able to take cards for chicken and beer tickets as well as in the concession stand. The commission will meet again on June 16th to review and see what is yet to finalize.

5. Clerk/Treasurer Report:

Phelan shared May 2026 month end balances of all bank accounts:

All accounts-\$1,708,037.37

GF Pooled Checking-\$535,616.07

GF Money Market-\$859,987.20

Sewer DNR Replacement-\$96,784.99

Water Money Market-\$89,464.37

CDBG Accounts-0

RD Sewer Replacement-\$59,922.25

Holiday Helper-\$27,666.00

SDWL Debt Service-\$40,019.00

Now accepting Credit/Debit at the Concession Stand using Square.

Meadowlark Organics to meet with Plan Commission July 1st regarding possible subdivision.

Simplified Rate Case application in process with the Public Service Commission.

Blood Drive on July 1st @ Ridgeway Community Center

Library Update:

Summer Programs starting soon.

Raptor event at the Ridgeway Library on July 31st hosted by the Dodgeville Public Library.

6. Public Works, Streets and Parks Report

Lamont inquired about Well #1 update-new well planning or rehab the current one. He will return with high level information next month.

INI Quotes-Meudt Ct., Tallman Ct. to Grove St. will be coming next month.

Provide televising quotes next meeting.

Volleyball lights now have a timer on one pole. The other pole will have a timer placed on it as well.

Park preparation for Independence Day Celebration.

Trim piece for cooler door to be repaired.

7. Marshal Report

Received and filed.

Iowa County Deputy, Alex Cejpek, present. He will be here temporarily. Our permanent Deputy will likely be starting the first week of July.

8. Riniker Scholarship Award-Clerk Treasurer Institute

The Village was granted a scholarship for Riniker to attend the UW Green Bay WMCA Clerk Institute in July.

OLD BUSINESS FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

9. Village Trustee Vacancy

Motion by **Butler** to appoint Andrew Cusimano to the vacant trustee seat with a term ending in April 2028, seconded by **Niehaus**. Motion carried.
Andrew joined the table with the board.

10. 2025 Audit Presentation-Shawn Roelli, Johnson Block

Shawn Roelli presented and reviewed the 2025 Audit Report with the Board of Trustees.
Restricted funds from ATC are available for allowable uses.

11. Proposed 2026 Street Reconstruction – Kirby Street Award of Construction Bids

Mark Doyle of Delta 3 presented the bids for the Kirby Street project.

Motion by **Nevins** to award the Kirby Street construction to G-Pro Excavating, LLC for Contract #1 in the amount of \$142,822.50, seconded by **Niehaus**. Motion carried.

12. Ordinance 2026-03 Repealing and amending Municipal Code 6.04(19)(h) Sand and Grease Trap

Motion by **Niehaus** to approve repealing and amending Ordinance 6.04(19)(h) of the Ridgeway Municipal Code, seconded by **Butler**. Motion carried.

13. Insurance Claim - Playground Equipment Replacement

The claim for the vandalism was denied. Decide next steps to replace damaged pieces/parts.
Previously approved replacement parts pending insurance claim results.

Motion by **Niehaus** to table this while exploring other enhancement items, seconded by **Garner**. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

14. Solicitor Permit Application

All necessary documentation has been provided. President approval of the liability/bond.
Clerk can issue permit.

No motion needed, just approval by the President. Wanted to share with the board so everyone knew in case people asked them.

15. Social Media Policy

Motion by **Butler**, seconded by **Niehaus** to approve the Social Media Policy. Motion carried.

16. Skid loader Lease/Purchase

Discussion regarding renting or buying and using remaining funds from the Kirby Street project pending final costs. Tabled until the project is completed.

17. Amend Ord 8.04(4) License Application

Motion by **Nevins** to be in alignment with the State application forms and approve amending Ord 8.04(4) removing the requirement for the application to be notarized, with the change as discussed, seconded by **Goebel**. Motion carried.

18. 2026-2027 Liquor License Applications

Motion by **Niehaus**, seconded by **Goebel** to approve the 2026-2027 Liquor/Tobacco License applications as presented. Motion carried.

19. Emergency Response Plan

Motion by **Butler**, seconded by **Goebel** to refer the updated Emergency Response Plan to the Public Works, Safety and Health Committee. Motion carried.

20. August Board Meeting Date

Motion by **Niehaus**, seconded by **Butler** to move the August Board of Trustees meeting to August 5, 2026 due to the election on August 11, 2026. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by **Garner** to adjourn, seconded by **Niehaus**. Motion carried, adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

DRAFT MINUTES TO BE APPROVED AT THE NEXT REGULAR SESSION BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING.