

THE VILLAGE OF



RIDGWAY

PARK & RECREATION COMMISSION (AMENDED) MEETING MINUTES

**August 01, 2023 at 6:30 PM
Ridgeway Park Shelter - 299 Hughitt Street**

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Meeting called to order by Chair Casper at 6:30pm.

PRESENT: Michele Casper, Kellee Venden, Julene Garner, Braden Losby, Megan James, Lexus Barnard
Melissa Hooks, and Deputy Clerk Maggie Johnson

CONFIRMATION OF OPEN MEETING

Johnson indicated this was a properly noticed meeting posted on July 31, 2023, at the Ridgeway Community Center, and the Village website with notification sent via email/text to subscribers.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Minutes from 6.27.2023

Motion made by Barnard, seconded by Venden to adopt the consent agenda and minutes as presented. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND REPORTS

There were no announcements.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION AND ACTION

2. Farmers Market Updates

Amber was present to give a farmers market update. The outdoor market is going well and the last one is October 15. Amber also mentioned having an outdoor market in the future. Casper mentioned an outdoor market would be a great addition to the alumni game on September 16th.

3. Library Program Update (Maggie)

Johnson gave an update on the library's summer camp and the Rockin' Reptiles & Awesome Amphibians event. The summer camp is going well and typically 10 kids show up each week. Almost 120 people attended the Rockin' Reptiles & Awesome Amphibians, including residents from CrestRidge Senior Living.

4. After School Library Programming (Bruce Paull)

Bruce Paull presented information about the group Sources of Strength and grant opportunities for additional programming in the community. Bruce also mentioned the need for the Ridgeway Volunteer Library to be open until 6pm on weekdays. Johnson stated finding volunteers who like to work with kids can be hard to find and keep.

5. July Fourth Celebration Recap

Casper walked through the highlights of the July 4th event. Overall, the commission was pleased with the event. The commission will discuss next year's date at the beginning of 2024.

6. Alumni Game (Michele)

Casper discussed the details of the alumni game. The game is currently scheduled for Saturday, September 16 starting at 3pm at the Ridgeway field. Ridgeway alumni will play Dodgeville's alumni. The commission discussed adding music, a night market, and bingo. Details will be released as they are determined.

7. Halloween Planning

The commission discussed Halloween details. The Halloween event will be held on Sunday, October 29. Details will be released as they are determined.

8. Holiday Helpers Date (Michele)

The commission discussed Holiday Helpers and set the date as Saturday, December 9th. Details will be released as they are determined.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Venden, seconded by Garner to adjourn at 7:57pm. Motion carried.