

THE VILLAGE OF



# RIDGWAY

## **PARK & RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA**

**May 02, 2023 at 6:30 PM**

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

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### **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

### **CONFIRMATION OF OPEN MEETING**

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

- [1.](#) Minutes from 3.28.2023

### **CORRESPONDENCE, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND REPORTS**

2. Farmers Market Updates
- [3.](#) Friends of the Military Ridge Trail 2023 Event Calendar (Maggie)
4. Park and Recreation Donations (Maggie)
5. Youth Baseball Updates (Maggie)
6. Dog Park Updates (Maggie & Braden)
- [7.](#) Library Programming Updates (Maggie)
8. Home Talent Updates (Maggie/Michele)
  - 1: Updates
  - 2: Steamliners chalkers & limestone
9. Easter Recap

### **ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION AND ACTION**

10. John McSherry's Chicken Pit Memorial (Maggie/Michele)
11. Concession Stand Volunteers (Michele)
12. 4th of July Event Planning

### **ADJOURNMENT**

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## PARK & RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

March 28, 2023 at 6:30 PM

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### CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Meeting called to order by Chair Casper at 6:36pm.

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

ABSENT: Braden Losby

### CONFIRMATION OF OPEN MEETING

Johnson indicated this was a properly noticed meeting posted on March 24, 2022, at the Ridgeway Community Center, and the Village website with notification sent via email/text to subscribers.

### CONSENT AGENDA

1. Minutes from 3.7.2023

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

### CORRESPONDENCE, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND REPORTS

2. May and June Meeting Dates

Johnson mentioned the Park and Recreation Commission will not meet in April because of the election on April 4th. The next meeting is on May 2nd. June will also have two meetings, June 6 and 27, because of July 4th.

3. Farmers Market

Amber and Amy were present to give a farmers market update. Amber proposed moving the Ridgeway Farmers Market bank account under the Village to inherit the nonprofit status. She and Amy will provide financial information to the Board of Trustees at the April 11th meeting.

4. Park and Recreation Donations

Johnson gave an update on Park and Recreation donations. Vickie Stangel donated \$50 in John McSherry's memory, bringing the donation total to \$150.

Barnard asked if there were any updates on naming the field after John McSherry. Casper mentioned she and Johnson have talked to the McSherry family about naming the field after him, and they were more in favor of honoring him through the chicken barbeque pit. Casper and Johnson will continue to work with the McSherry family.

5. Dog Park Updates (Maggie)

Johnson gave an update on the dog park. The Board of Trustees approved the purchase of the Kirby Built Top Dog A-Frame Ramp at the March 14th meeting. Johnson ordered the ramp, but it will take 10-12 weeks from the order date to arrive. Johnson expects it to arrive in June or July.

6. Library Programming (Maggie)

Johnson gave an update on library programming. Duke Otherwise, a kid's performer, will perform at the Ridgeway Community Center on June 13 at 4pm. Duke will be paid through the Iowa County grant the Ridgeway Volunteer Library received in partnership with Dodgeville Public Library. Johnson also mentioned Brianna Johnson will lead a library program this summer starting in June.

7. Youth Baseball Update (Maggie)

Johnson gave an update on youth baseball. Rock Reeson said he will coach tee ball this year. Sign up applications are due Friday, April 21.

## ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION AND ACTION

8. Home Talent

1: Updates

2: Outfield Signs

3: Steamliners chalkers & limestone

1: Updates & Outfield Signs

Casper mentioned she and Johnson met with Adam Halverson, Ayden Halverson, and Jeff Garthwaite on March 15th to discuss the 2023 Home Talent season. Johnson presented the outfield sign fundraiser to Halverson and Garthwaite during their meeting and the team has decided to pursue the fundraiser. Casper also mentioned that Miles Rolli will be the Home Talent head coach this year.

3: Steamliners chalkers & limestone

Johnson presented pricing for a streamliner chalker and limestone. The team will use these to line the field. Casper requested pricing for spray paint bottles in addition to the chalker and limestone. Johnson will put together official pricing for the Board of Trustee meeting on April 11th.

9. Easter Egg Hunt

The Commission discussed the Easter egg hunt's final details. Casper asked all volunteers to arrive at 3pm to hide eggs. James mentioned making sure people know the event has been moved from the park to the community center. Johnson said she will post a reminder on Facebook.

10. 4th of July Event Planning

Casper mentioned she has booked the band Power Take Off (PTO) to play at the 4th of July Celebration. Casper will have more event details at the May 2nd meeting.

11. Concession Stand Volunteers (Michele)

Casper mentioned she will need additional help in the concession stand this summer. Johnson said she will put together a concession stand sign up.

12. Park Signage Repainting

Johnson presented the Funk Sign Company quote to paint the east and west welcome signs, public works shop sign, cardinal parking sign, and the cardinal park sign. Casper requested the quote to be put on the April 11th Board of Trustee meeting agenda.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by Garner, Seconded by Venden to adjourn at 7:50pm.



# FRIENDS OF MILITARY RIDGE TRAIL

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## 2023 CALENDAR OF EVENTS \*\*

**\*\* Dates and locations are subject to change. Check website or Facebook for changes.**

**\*The public is invited to all Friends of MRT Board meetings. Most board meetings are second Mondays.**

- Spring & Beyond** As you walk the trail, take along a bag to pick up litter...Thank you!
- April 10** 3:00 pm Cleaning of Depot by all who are available.  
5:30 pm \*Friends of MRT Board meeting held at Depot in Ridgeway.
  - May 8** 5:30 pm \*Friends of MRT Board meeting held at Depot in Ridgeway.
  - May 12** 3:00 pm Continue cleaning of depot as needed. Discussion of history of depot.
  - June 4** 12-3 pm **Railroad Depot Museum and Caboose Open to Public.**
  - June 7** 7-9 am **Friends Information Table – Fitchburg area Trailhead**
  - June 12** 5:30 pm \*Friends of MRT Board meeting held at Depot in Ridgeway.
  - June 17** HHH volunteers for rest station at Black Earth: sign up at [HorriblyHilly.com](http://HorriblyHilly.com)
  - July 1** 8:30 – 12:00 noon Scavenger Hunt on Trail Begins at Waltz Shelter
  - (July 2)** RAIN DATE for Scavenger Hunt, same time and location.
  - July 2** 12-3 pm **Railroad Depot Museum and Caboose Open to Public. Ridgeway Days**
  - July 9** 11-2 pm **Dodgeville Public Library story time at Depot, check-out library resources.**
  - July 10** 5:30 pm \*Friends of MRT meet at Depot in Ridgeway.
  - July 30** 11-2 pm **Dodgeville Public Library story time at Depot, check-out library resources.**
  - Aug. 6** 12-3 pm **Railroad Depot Museum and Caboose Open to Public.**
  - Aug. 14** 5:30 pm \*Friends of MRT Board meeting at Depot in Ridgeway.
  - Aug. 20** 11-2 pm **Dodgeville Public Library story time at Depot, check-out library resources.**
  - Sept. 3** 12-3 pm **Railroad Depot Museum and Caboose Open to Public.**
  - Sept. 11** 5:30 pm \*Friends of MRT Board meeting at Depot in Ridgeway.
  - Sept. 17** 11-2 pm **Dodgeville Public Library story time at Depot, check-out library resources.**
  - Oct. 9** 5:30 pm \*Friends of MRT Board meeting, location to be determined.
  - Nov. 13** 5:30 pm \*Friends of MRT Board meeting at Blue Mounds State Park Shelter:  
Potluck supper

**\*\* By Appointment:** Guided hikes originating at the Riley DNR parking lot led by Meg Skinner, Volunteer Naturalist between May 15 and October 15.

Please email in advance your request to schedule a guided hike: [meggskinner@gmail.com](mailto:meggskinner@gmail.com)

RIDGEWAY  
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# KIDS COMMUNITY SUMMER CAMP



**FUN & CREATIVE  
COMMUNITY  
ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS  
5-12 YEARS OLD**

**THURSDAYS**

**JUNE 22 -  
AUGUST 24**

**Free!**

### **Activities**

- ✓ Reading exercises
- ✓ Math exercises
- ✓ Outdoor activities
- ✓ Exploring the community

### **Ridgeway Volunteer Library**

208 Jarvis St  
Ridgeway, WI 53582

### **Deadline to sign up**

Friday, June 2nd

**More Information** 608-924-5881 or [info@ridgewaywi.gov](mailto:info@ridgewaywi.gov)

**Thank you to Malcolm Stack Foundation for funding this program!**

