

THE VILLAGE OF



# RIDGEWAY

## FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

April 08, 2026 at 5:30 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. Adoption of Agenda

### ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION AND ACTION

- [2.](#) DRAFT lease - 5 tillable acres at the end of Cardinal Way
3. 2026 Budgets - Status and Review
4. Fund 150 - Public Property and Events
5. Convene in closed session pursuant to State Statute 19.85(1)(c) considering employment promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the government body has jurisdiction: Michael Gorham
6. Reconvene in open session to act upon closed session discussion

### ADJOURNMENT

*Any person(s) with a qualifying disability, as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act, that requires the meeting or material at the meeting to be in an accessible location or format, must contact the Village Clerk at the address listed above or call 608-924-5881, prior to the meeting so that any necessary arrangements can be made to accommodate each request.*

*AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING: I hereby certify that this notice has been posted at the Ridgeway Community Center, on the Village Web Site and notifications sent to subscribers.*

*/s/ Lori Phelan, Clerk/Treasurer*



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## LAND LEASE

**Parker Ihm (Lessee)** and **Village of Ridgeway (Lessor)** enter into this Agreement (Lease) in consideration of their mutual promises and respective obligations set forth in the following provisions, conditions and covenants:

### PROVISIONS, CONDITIONS, AND COVENANTS

#### LAND

Lessor leases to Lessee and Lessee hires from Lessor from the term at the rent, and upon all of the other provisions, conditions and covenants hereinafter set forth, a 6.0 acres (+/-) portion of 12.0 acres of real property situated at South end of Cardinal Way Sub-division to the abutment of Grove Street (Hwy “HHH”), the County of Iowa and State of Wisconsin which is commonly known as Village of Ridgeway, hereinafter referred to as the “Land”.

#### USE

The Land shall be used and occupied by Lessee for the purpose of farming and for no other purpose.

- No liquid manure will be applied. Lessee shall remain mindful of potential nuisances to neighbors and minimize same.
- Ingress and Egress shall be from Cardinal Way with the lightest weight equipment necessary until and unless access becomes available by other means. Barricades removed must be replaced. We understand that this is farming and some amount of field spoils will make their way to the roadway, however, lessee must take extreme care to limit tracking and keep the roadway free from dirt and mud.
- Any and All coordination and communication will be done through the Village of Ridgeway. Lease and legal with the Village Clerk. Operations and communication with Public Works and Streets & Parks.
- Lessee agrees to maintain the non-planted and untilled land with respect and care as deemed agreeable. No debris piles, compost, or other operations to occur on the un-leased acreage with lessee maintaining their access with the least amount of disturbance to the un-leased land.

#### TERM

The Lease shall commence on May 1, 2026, and expire on April 30, 2029 (3 Year Term) unless such it shall otherwise begin or be delayed, extended, or terminated in accordance with other provisions contained

herein. Lease may be terminated at the end of a crop season in the event any development would be approved to be built on the said land.

**CROP Provision:** This lease may be terminated prior to the end of the crop season by the Lessor, in the event any development is approved, and work is to begin prior to crops being harvested. The Village agrees to pay the lessee any costs incurred to plant the crops and any loss due to the inability to harvest planted crops should this provision be invoked.

## **RENT**

Lessee shall pay Lessor as rent for the Land \$80.00 per acre, per year to be paid in full annually on May 1 of each year. The annual payment equals (6 acres at \$80) \$480.00.

## **INDEMNIFICATION**

Lessee agrees to indemnify and hold Lessor harmless and free from any and all costs and expenses and liabilities, including attorney fees, arising by reason of any damage or injury to any person or property which may arise from or be due to the occupancy or use of the Land by Lessee, its employees, agents, guests or visitors unless such is caused by or attributable to the negligence or intentional conduct of the Lessor, its agents, contractors, employees or invitees.

## **PUBLIC AUTHORITY REQUIREMENTS**

Lessee agrees to conduct its business on the Land in compliance with all laws, ordinances and regulations of USDA, Federal, State and local governmental agencies, in accordance with the direction of any public officer(s) pursuant to law, and as required by all rules, orders, regulations or requirements of any regulatory body having jurisdiction over the Land or the business of the Lessee conducted therein. Lessee must practice best use of conservation practices.

## **DEFAULT BY LESSEE – REMEDIES OF LESSOR**

- A. Failure to pay any rental installment or other sums of money required of Lessee hereunder, as and when due, for a period of fifteen (15) days following receipt of written notice thereof shall constitute a material default and breach of this Lease by Lessee.
- B. Upon the occurrence of any of the circumstances of default set forth in the Article, Lessor may hold and/or declare Lessee in default of the Lease by giving written notice thereof; whereupon, Lessor shall have the option to pursue any one or more of the remedies hereinafter set forth in addition to those rights of recovery which may be available through other actions or procedures at law or in equity:
  - (1) Request Lessee to immediately surrender the Land; and, upon the failure of Lessee to do so, take immediate possession of the land by detainer suit or otherwise.

