

TOWN OF RIDGEWAY
TOWN BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2014

The regular board meeting was called to order by Supervisor Napoli at 7:00 P.M. at the Town Hall, Medina, NY.

Those Officers Present:	Brian Napoli	Supervisor
	Jeffrey Toussaint	Councilman
	Paul Blajszczak	Councilman
	David Stalker	Councilman
	Mary Woodruff	Councilwoman
Others:	Mark Goheen	Hwy Superintendent
	Daniel Wolfe	Code Enf. Officer(Absent)
	Katherine Bogan	Attorney
	Patricia Laszewski	Assessor
	Barbara J. Klatt	Town Clerk
	Owen Toale	
	Karen Kaiser	
	Jarred Saj	
	Joe Kujawa	
	Michael A. Grover	
	Tessa White	
	Jodi Stockwell	

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

RESOLUTION NO. 117 – 11/17/14

RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT AGENDA

Offered by Councilman Stalker, who moved its adoption.
Seconded by Councilman Blajszczak.

Resolved to accept agenda as presented.

Adopted: 5 ayes 0 nays

RESOLUTION NO. 118 – 11/17/14

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE MINUTES
OCTOBER 20, 2014 TOWN BOARD
MEETING

Offered by Councilwoman Woodruff, who moved its adoption.
Seconded by Councilman Toussaint.

Resolved to approve minutes from October 20, 2014 Town Board meeting as presented.

Adopted: 5 ayes 0 nays

COMMUNICATIONS:

- A. NYS Parks-Barge Canal has been placed on the National Register.
- B. Legislator/Supervisor group will not be meeting in November or December.

DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS

- A. Workshop - December 9, 2014 at 7:00 P.M. Ridgeway Town Hall
- B. Public Hearing – Notice of Unsafe Building-3652 Knowlesville Rd., Medina, N.Y. Monday, December 15, 2014 at 7:00 P.M. Ridgeway Town Hall
Town Board Meeting to follow public hearing.
- C. End of Year Meeting – Tuesday, December 30, 2014 - 2:00 P.M.- Ridgeway Town Hall

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Water District #12 – One signed easement received, three outstanding.
- B. Water District #13 – Need easements from engineer to obtain signatures.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION NO. 119 – 11/17/14

RESOLUTION TO ADOPT 2015 BUDGET

Offered by Councilman Stalker, who moved its adoption.
Seconded by Councilman Toussaint.

Resolved to adopt final budget for 2015 for the Town of Ridgeway.

SUMMARY OF THE TOWN BUDGETS FOR THE YEAR 2015

	Expenditures	Estimated Revenue	Unexpended Balance	Amount to be Raised by Tax
	RIDGEWAY			
General	\$ 676,006.00	\$ 274,520.00	\$ 73,267.00	\$ 328,219.00
General Outside Village	\$ 88,408.00	\$ 36,570.00	\$ -	\$ 51,838.00
Highway Townwide	\$ 568,502.00	\$ 196,500.00	\$ 6,542.00	\$ 365,460.00
Highway Outside Village	\$ 446,396.00	\$ 230,150.00	\$ 26,165.00	\$ 190,081.00
Fire Protection District	\$ 168,496.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 168,496.00
Knowlesville Light District	\$ 3,244.00	\$ 10.00	\$ (10.00)	\$ 3,244.00
Knowlesville Sewer District	\$ 35,494.00	\$ 28,510.00	\$ -	\$ 6,984.00
Water Debt Service 31E	\$ 9,600.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,600.00
Water Debt Service 269	\$ 8,455.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,455.00
Water #2 Debt Service	\$ 20,125.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20,125.00
Water #3 Debt Service	\$ 32,272.38	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 32,272.38
Water #4 Debt Service	\$ 72,067.25	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 72,067.25
Water #5 Debt Service	\$ 26,432.50	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 26,432.50
Water #6 Debt Service	\$ 13,918.52	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 13,918.52
Water #7 Debt Service	\$ 6,751.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,751.00
Water #8 Debt Service	\$ 9,145.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,145.00
Water #9 Debt Service	\$ 5,157.50	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,157.50
Water #10 Debt Service	\$ 14,650.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 14,650.00
Water # 11 Debt Service	\$ 2,083.76	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,083.76
Total Water Improvement Areas	\$ 2,207,203.91	\$ 766,260.00	\$ 105,964.00	\$ 1,334,979.91
TOTALS				

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that the Annual Preliminary Budget of the Town of Ridgeway for the fiscal year beginning January 1st, 2015 has been completed and filed in the Office of the Town Clerk of Ridgeway at the Town Hall, 410 West Avenue, Medina, New York, where it is available for inspection by any interested persons at all reasonable hours.

FURTHER NOTICE is hereby given that the Town Board of the Town of Ridgeway will meet and review said Preliminary Budget and hold a Public Hearing hereon at the Town Hall at 7:00 PM on the 12th day of November, 2014 and that at such hearing any person may be heard in favor or against the Preliminary Budget as compiled, or for or against item or items therein contained:

PURSUANT IN section 113 of the Town Law, the proposed salaries of the following Town Officers are specified as follows:

SUPERVISOR	\$9882
COUNCILMEN	3560
TOWN JUSTICE	25000
TOWN CLERK	38,110
HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT	54858

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN CLERK

BARBARA J. KLATT

TOWN CLERK

TOWN OF RIDGEWAY

DATED: October 24, 2014

Adopted:

5 ayes

0 nays

Offered by Councilman Blajszczak, who moved its adoption.
Seconded by Councilman Stalker.

LAWRENCE H. SANDERSON
Town Justice

TOWN of RIDGEWAY
JUSTICE COURT
4062 Salt Works Road
Medina, New York 14103

Phone (585) 798-3282
Fax (585) 318-4107

November 14, 2014

Barbara J. Klatt
Ridgeway Town Clerk
410 West Avenue
Medina, NY 14103

Nancy M. Sunukjian, Esq.
Office of Justice Support
187 Wolf Road, Suite 103
Albany, NY 12205

Re: Resignation

Dear Ms. Klatt and Court System Administrator:

After much thoughtful and careful consideration, I have decided to resign as the Town Justice of the Town of Ridgeway effective November 15, 2014 as a result of health related reasons.

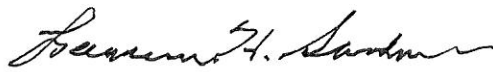
Having spent 23 years on the bench of the Town of Ridgeway Town Court as well as a number of years as Judge of the Village of Medina Village Court, this was not an easy decision to make. Serving as a Magistrate is a sobering experience. Knowing full well that one's decisions not only affect the individuals appearing before you but also the community at large.

It has been a personal honor to serve the Town of Ridgeway, and I trust that my years on the bench have been of benefit to the community.

I am deeply appreciative to the Town of Ridgeway Town Board for appropriating the necessary resources in order to provide an efficient and responsive Town Court.

I shall miss being on the bench, but I recognize that physical infirmities do not allow me to continue to serve. Accordingly, in accord with the provisions of §26 of the Town Law of the State of New York and §31 of the Public Officers Law of the State of New York, I hereby resign, effective November 15, 2014, as Town Justice of the Town of Ridgeway Town Court.

Sincerely yours,


Lawrence H. Sanderson

cc: Brian P. Napoli, Supervisor
Hon. Douglas W. Marky

Resolved to accept letter of resignation from Town Justice, Lawrence Sanderson, with regret, effective November 15, 2014.

Adopted: 5 ayes 0 nays

RESOLUTION NO. 121 – 11/17/14

RESOLUTION TO SET PUBLIC
HEARING FOR HOUSE DEMOLITION
OF OWNER JAMES GROVES, 3652
KNOWLESVILLE RD, KNOWLESVILLE
NY 14479

Offered by Councilman Toussaint, who moved its adoption.
Seconded by Councilman Stalker.

Resolved to set public hearing for house demolition of 3652 Knowlesville Rd., Knowlesville, NY 14479, owner James Groves. Notice of Unsafe Building, Tax ID (70.2-3-35) will be filed at Orleans County Clerks' Office.

Adopted: 5 ayes 0 nays

RESOLUTION NO. 122 – 11/17/14

RESOLUTION OF THE RIDGEWAY
TOWN BOARD AUTHORIZING RE-
ASSESSED WATER CHARGES TO BE
ADDED TO 2015 PROPERTY TAX
BILLS

Offered by Councilman Toussaint, who moved its adoption.
Seconded by Councilman Stalker.

RESOLVED that the following unpaid charges for public water usage be re-assessed and added to the January 2015 town/county property tax bills; and it is

FURTHER RESOLVED, that pursuant to Town of Ridgeway Water District Rules and Regulations, Section 67-2, Item G: Liability For Water Service, Penalties, and Liens Penalty shall be included in the re-assessed water charges; as follows:

Re-Assessed Water: Charges for accounts including unpaid water usage from billings and/or prior billings with an account balance due will include and additional \$100.

Adopted: 5 ayes 0 nays

OTHER BUSINESS:

FIRE COMPANY REPORT – No Report

DEPARTMENT AND COUNTY LEGISLATOR REPORT

Attorney, Kathy Bogan, again asked Supervisor Napoli to obtain WD#13 easements from Chatfield Engineers so she can proceed with mailings. Only one easement for WD#13 has been signed and returned.

Assessor Laszewski stated that the exemption renewals will be mailed out soon. Additions will be made to 2015 assessment roll.

Highway Superintendent, Mark Goheen, reported that his highway crew is getting trucks ready for winter weather.
He also said he would be happy to finish up getting signatures on the 3 easements for WD#12.

County Legislator, Lynne Johnson, stated that Orleans County Legislators will hold a Public Hearing on the 2015 County Budget on Monday, December 1, 2014 at 7:00 P.M. in Albion.

Many letters of interest have been received concerning rural broadband. With the passing of proposition #3 on the ballot in November, hope is to get infrastructure and achieve the goal of providing broadband to all rural residents. Legislator Johnson gave kudos to Supervisor Napoli for speaking out loudly in favor of broadband and getting the ball rolling years ago.

COUNCILMAN REPORT

Councilman Blajszczak and Councilwoman Woodruff also congratulated Supervisor Napoli for taking an active part in bringing to light the need for broadband infrastructure.

Councilman Blajszczak also said he was very impressed with Dr. Igoe's new building for Dentistry. It looks exceptional.

Councilwoman Woodruff asked that a letter of appreciation be sent from the Town of Ridgeway to Justice Larry Sanderson.

All board members expressed appreciation for Judge Sanderson's years of dedication and accepted his resignation letter with regret. He will be missed.

BOARD REPORTS: PLANNING, ZONING

Supervisor Napoli, County Planning Board Chairman, said that the County received two referrals and that the Town of Ridgeway had the most number of building permits.

RESIDENTS/OTHER CONCERNS

Owen Toale asked about numbers on the final Town of Ridgeway budget for 2015. He wondered what increase or decrease he should expect on his Town/County taxes. Supervisor Napoli informed him that inside the Village went up .04 and outside the Village went up .07

Jared Saj asked the board about resumes for the Town of Ridgeway Justice position. Supervisor Napoli informed him that the Town has received three applications to date. Interviews will begin on November 20, 2014.

RESOLUTION NO. 123 – 11/17/14

RESOLUTION TO PAY BILLS

Offered by Councilman Toussaint, who moved its adoption.
Seconded by Councilman Blajszczak.

Resolved to pay bills as presented:

PREPAID ABSTRACT	\$ 1003.98
ABSTRACT	\$ 85555.25
TOTAL ABSTRACT	\$ 86559.23

Adopted: 5 ayes 0 nays

ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business to discuss, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:31 P.M. by Councilman Stalker and seconded by Councilwoman Woodruff.

Town of Ridgeway,

Barbara J. Klatt
Town Clerk