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**VILLAGE OF RIDGEWOOD
VILLAGE COUNCIL
REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING
OCTOBER 8, 2025
7:30 P.M.**

1. Call to Order - Mayor
2. Statement of Compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act
3. Roll Call - Village Clerk
4. Flag Salute
5. Acceptance of Financial Reports
6. Approval of Minutes
7. Proclamation

Recognize Tenth Anniversary of Giving Thanks Ridgewood Elder Dinner
8. Recognize Donation of Fine Art Prints from Ridgewood Resident Mary Zisk
9. **Recognize Ridgewood Raiders Softball 14U Black Team and Coaches - New Jersey Little League Junior State Champions; Represented NJ East Region 3rd Place; NJ Little League District 4 Champions; NJ Little League Section 1 Champions**

Caroline Amorosa Maddy Loffredo
Giuliana Angelo Kelsey Miller
Avery Butler Camille Nitch

Isabella Ferrigno
Abigail Gerber
Blake Kelly

Amelia Salerno
Charlotte Sher
Harper Wiatrak

Coaches: Mike Kelly, Nicole Parks, Louis Gerber

10. **Recognize Ridgewood Baseball Ridgewood Raiders Baseball 12u Black Team and Coaches - USABL Tournament Champions; NJ Little League District 4 Champions; NJ Little League Section 1 Champions**

Joshua Brown
Alex Cimler
Dylan DeSisto
AJ Finston
Richard Fogarty
Owen Giacomelli

Cal Jackson
Jackson Karg
Lukas Kozlowski
Rory Miller
Dex Wesner
Preston Williams

Coaches: Richie Miller (manager), Rich Fogarty, Christine Giacomelli, Bryan Kozlowski, Marc Favieri

Pursuant to Chapter 3-19 of the Code of the Village of Ridgewood, Manner of Addressing Council, and Chapter 3-20, Decorum, the Village Council meetings shall be conducted in the following manner:

Manner of Addressing Council

Persons other than Councilmembers may be permitted to address the Council in the proper order of business. A person present may, upon recognition by the Chair, be heard either upon ordinances upon second reading or at the time of petitions and oral communications from the public and at such other times as the Council may, by majority vote of those present, specifically permit. No person shall address any remark or question to any specific Councilmember, nor shall any person be permitted to address the Chair while a motion is pending. A Councilmember may, through the Chair, respond to any communication or address received pursuant to this section.

Decorum

Any person who shall disturb the peace of the Council, make impertinent or slanderous remarks or conduct himself in a boisterous manner while addressing the Council shall be forthwith barred by the presiding officer from further audience before the Council, except that if the speaker shall submit to proper order under these rules, permission for him to continue may be granted by a majority vote of the Council.

11. Comments from the Public (Not to exceed 3 minutes per person - 40 minutes in total)
12. Village Manager's Report
13. Village Council Reports

14. ORDINANCES - INTRODUCTION - RIDGEWOOD WATER

NONE

15. ORDINANCES - PUBLIC HEARING - RIDGEWOOD WATER

4057 - Bond Ordinance - Supplemental Appropriation for the Construction of the Main PFAS Treatment Facility (NTE \$1,500,000)

4058 - Bond Ordinance - Supplemental Appropriation for the Construction of the Eastside PFAS Treatment Facility (\$2,000,000)

4059 - Bond Ordinance - Supplemental Appropriation for the Construction of the Mountain PFAS Treatment Facility (NTE \$2,000,000)

16. RESOLUTIONS - RIDGEWOOD WATER

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS, NUMBERED 25-390 THROUGH 25-397 ARE TO BE ADOPTED BY A CONSENT AGENDA, WITH ONE VOTE BY THE VILLAGE COUNCIL. THERE IS A BRIEF DESCRIPTION BESIDE EACH RESOLUTION TO BE CONSIDERED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA. EACH RESOLUTION WILL BE READ BY TITLE ONLY:

25-390 Title 59 Approval - Construction of New Glen Avenue Booster Station - Approves the construction of a new booster station at Glen Avenue, which will transfer water from the Low Zone to the Intermediate Zone, along West Glen Avenue. This will result in improvements to the water pressure in the higher elevations of the Village of Ridgewood and the Borough of Midland Park.

25-391 Award Contract under Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Program - Lease of 2025 Ford Maverick Hybrid Compact Pickup Truck and 2025 Ford Escape SUV Plug-in Hybrid (NTE \$16,148.16/year for 4 years, for both vehicles) - Awards a contract under Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Program to Enterprise Fleet Management, 1550 Route 23 North, Suite 101, Wayne, NJ

25-392 Award Contract Under North Jersey Wastewater Cooperative Pricing System - Passaic Valley Sewerage Commission - Carbon Steel Spool - Glen Avenue Tank Booster Station (NTE \$16,985) - Awards a contract under North Jersey Wastewater Cooperative Pricing System through Passaic

Valley Sewerage Commission to Rapid Pump & Meter Service Company, 285 Straight Street, Paterson, NJ

25-393 Award Contract Under Educational Services Commission of NJ Contract - Furnishing and Installation of Genetec Video Servers (NTE \$74,338.16) - Awards a contract under the Educational Services Commission of NJ Contract to Open Systems Integrators, 211 Yardville Hamilton Square Road, Hamilton Township, NJ

25-394 Authorize Change Order - Additional Cold Water Meters and Accessories (NTE \$40,000) - Authorizes a change order to the original sole responsible bidder, Rio Supply, Inc., 100 Allied Parkway, Sicklerville, NJ. This change order is necessary in order to fund the purchase of additional new cold water meters to replace the non-functioning cold water meters.

25-395 Authorize Change Order - Professional Services for PFAS Treatment Facilities - Prospect, Ames, Wortendyke, and Cedar Hill - Additional Construction Administration and Observation (NTE \$653,000) - Authorizes a change order to the original vendor, Mott MacDonald, 111 Wood Avenue South, Iselin, NJ. This change order is necessary due to significant changes in the construction start dates and project duration and an unanticipated level of effort required to meet the NJ I-Bank administrative inspection requirements.

25-396 Authorize Department of Community Affairs Grant Application - Main PFAS Treatment Facility - Authorizes an application for a Department of Community Affairs \$1,000,000 grant for the construction of a PFAS Treatment Facility in the Borough of Glen Rock. Also authorizes the Mayor and Village Clerk to execute the grant agreement, if it is awarded.

25-397 Declare Vehicle Surplus Property - Declares a 2016 Jeep Patriot surplus property, as it is no longer needed for public use. Also authorizes the Village Manager to dispose of said property.

17. ORDINANCES - INTRODUCTION

4061 - Vacate a Portion of Marlborough Road - Vacates a portion of Marlborough Road to satisfy the 1983 disposal of Green Acres restricted property, in accordance with New Jersey Green Acres Program requirements

4062 - Bond Ordinance - Improvements to Kings Pond Park and Playground (NTE \$618,000) - Appropriates this money for the purchase and installation of a playground and a

shelter at Kings Pond Park, and the extinguishment of a Green Acres restriction

- 4063 - Amend Chapter 265 - Vehicles and Traffic - Parking Prohibited at All Times - Extension of Fire Zone on Beverly Road** - Increases the length of the parking prohibition area on Beverly Road, at Heermance Place, in order to extend the Fire Zone for use by emergency vehicles
- 4064 - Amend Chapter 145 - Fees - Fire Watch Services Fees** - Amends fees for various Fire Watch services, including application, firefighter hourly rate, and administrative fees
- 4065 - Amend Chapter 145 - Fees - 2026 Parking Permit Fees** - Establishes the 2026 fees for various parking permits in the Central Business District
- 4066 - 2026 Management Salary Ordinance** - Establishes salaries and various employment criteria for management personnel for 2026
- 4067 - 2026 Non-Union Salary Ordinance** - Establishes salaries and various employment criteria for non-union personnel for 2026

18. ORDINANCES - PUBLIC HEARING

- 4060 - Bond Ordinance - Acquisition of Warner Theater Property - 190 East Ridgewood Avenue (NTE \$2,600,000)**

19. RESOLUTIONS

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS, NUMBERED 25-398 THROUGH 25-411 ARE TO BE ADOPTED BY A CONSENT AGENDA, WITH ONE VOTE BY THE VILLAGE COUNCIL. THERE IS A BRIEF DESCRIPTION BESIDE EACH RESOLUTION TO BE CONSIDERED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA. EACH RESOLUTION WILL BE READ BY TITLE ONLY:

- 25-398 Adopt Revised Bidding and Quotation Thresholds** - Adopts the revised bidding and quotation thresholds as set forth by the State Treasurer of NJ. The Village of Ridgewood is permitted to do so because there is a Qualified Purchasing Agent on staff. The new bidding threshold has increased from \$44,000 to \$53,000 and the new quotation threshold has increased from \$6,600 to \$7,950.
- 25-399 Award Contract Under Bergen County Contract - Chevrolet Tahoe - Fire Department (NTE \$57,785.24)** - Awards a contract under Bergen County Contract to Pellegrino Chevrolet, 1000 Gateway Boulevard, Westville, NJ
- 25-400 REMOVED FROM AGENDA**
- 25-401 Authorize Change Order - Replacement of Underground Fuel Storage Tanks and Fuel System - Village Fleet Services - Monitoring Well Installation and Groundwater Sampling (NTE \$46,955)** - Authorizes a change order for out of scope

tasks related to the underground fuel storage tanks and fuel system to be awarded to the original lowest responsible bidder, Betts Environmental Services, 160 Hamburg Turnpike, Butler, NJ

25-402 Authorize Shared Services Agreement - Use of Styrofoam

Densifier (Franklin Lakes) - Authorizes a Shared Services Agreement with the Borough of Franklin Lakes for the use of the Village's Styrofoam densifier. The Borough of Franklin Lakes will deliver the Styrofoam collected in Franklin Lakes to the Village of Ridgewood, and will pay the Village of Ridgewood \$5/bag. The Village of Ridgewood will then process the Styrofoam through the Styrofoam densifier and sell the finished material to a company which manufactures products out of the densified Styrofoam.

25-403 Authorize Shared Services Agreement - Use of Styrofoam

Densifier (Washington Township) - Authorizes a Shared Services Agreement with the Township of Washington for the use of the Village's Styrofoam densifier. The Township of Washington will deliver the Styrofoam collected in Washington Township to the Village of Ridgewood, and will pay the Village of Ridgewood \$5/bag. The Village of Ridgewood will then process the Styrofoam through the Styrofoam densifier and sell the finished material to a company which manufactures products out of the densified Styrofoam.

25-404 Declare Property Surplus - Various I.T. Items - Declares various I.T. items surplus property and authorizes and directs the Village Manager to dispose of said property

25-405 Authorize Execution of Memorandum of Understanding -

Childhood Lead Exposure Prevention Project - Authorizes the Mayor and Health Officer to execute the Memorandum of Understanding with the Bergen County Department of Health Services to provide this required health program for the Village

25-406 Authorize Execution of Memorandum of Understanding -

Comprehensive Cancer Control Plan, NJ Cancer Education and Early Detection Program, Tuberculosis Control and Public Health Emergency Preparedness Program - Authorizes the Mayor and Health Officer to execute the Memorandum of Understanding with the Bergen County Department of Health Services to provide these required health programs for the Village

25-407 Cancellation of General Capital Ordinance Balances -

Cancels unexpended General Capital ordinance balances for projects that are now completed or changed in scope

25-408 Authorize Refund and Cancellation of Property Taxes - Block 4502, Lot 46 - Authorizes the Village Tax Collector

to partially refund the 2025 second quarter property taxes and refund the 2025 third quarter paid property taxes and going forward, due to the owner being a permanently disabled Veteran, during time of war.

25-409 Authorize Cancellation of Property Taxes on Foreclosed

Property - Block 4407, Lot 2 - Authorizes the cancellation of the property taxes billed for the year 2025 and the preliminary 2026 property taxes, due to the fact that the Village of Ridgewood foreclosed on the municipally-held lien for non-payment in the last six months, and all real property of the Village of Ridgewood is exempt from paying property taxes

25-410 Accept Donation - Fine Art Prints - Accepts the donation of six fine art prints from Ridgewood resident Mary Zisk, with a total cost of \$180, for use in the Village Hall. Mary Zisk does not have any applications before any Ridgewood Boards or Committees at this time.

25-411 Accept Donation - Renovation of Upper Hawes Baseball Field - Accepts a donation from the Ridgewood Baseball/Softball Association (RBSA) of an intensive remediation project to enhance the playing conditions, safety, and quality of the Upper Hawes Baseball Field, with a total cost of \$56,300. The RBSA does not have any applications before any Ridgewood Boards or Committees at this time.

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS, NUMBERED 25-412 THROUGH 25-415, WILL BE CONSIDERED SEPARATELY AND READ IN FULL:

25-412 Approve Budget for Ridgewood Business Alliance

25-413 Authorize Change Order - Kingsbridge Lane Pedestrian Bridge Structural Repair - Repairs to Deteriorating Abutment

25-414 Support Bergen County's Grant Application - Resiliency Impr<https://www.msn.com/en-us/news/us/search-firm-behind-illegal-immigrant-superintendent-selection-recruits-top-school-leaders-nationwide/ar-AA1OcFzL> **Lovements for Saddle River County Park**

25-415 Award Contract - West Glen Avenue Sidewalks - Blocks for West Glen Avenue Retaining Walls on Private Properties

20. Comments from the Public (Not to Exceed 3 minutes per person)

21. Resolution to go into Closed Session

22. Closed Session

Personnel - Boards and Committees; Professional Appointments

23. Adjournment