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**VILLAGE OF RIDGEWOOD
VILLAGE COUNCIL
REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING
AUGUST 13, 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. Proclamations
 - a. Proclaim September Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month
 - b. Proclaim September National Preparedness Month
 - c. Proclaim September National Suicide Prevention Awareness Month
8. Presentation of Certificate of Recognition - Jason Goodrich

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.

9. Comments from the Public (Not to exceed 3 minutes per person - 40 minutes in total)

10. Village Manager's Report

11. Village Council Reports

12. ORDINANCES - INTRODUCTION - RIDGEWOOD WATER

4054 - Amend Chapter 269 - Water - Update Definitions and Materials for Customer-Owned Water Service Lines - Amends Chapter 269 to address recent directives from the NJ Department of Consumer Affairs and the Uniform Construction Code, allowing customers to use materials other than copper for their water service, for the portion of the service owned by the customer. New definitions and changes to some archaic plumbing references are also included in this amendment.

13. ORDINANCES - PUBLIC HEARING - RIDGEWOOD WATER

NONE

14. RESOLUTIONS - RIDGEWOOD WATER

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS, NUMBERED 25-324 THROUGH 25-334, ARE TO BE ADOPTED BY A CONSENT AGENDA, WITH ONE VOTE BY THE VILAGE COUNCIL. THERE IS A BRIEF DESCRIPTION BESIDE EACH RESOLUTION TO BE CONSIDERED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA. EACH RESOLUTION WILL BE READ BY TITLE ONLY:

- 25-324Award Contract - Lead Service Line Replacements - Contract 1 (NTE \$2,253,650)** - Awards a contract to the lowest responsible bidder, Reivax Contracting Corporation, 165 River Road, Flemington, NJ
- 25-325Award Contract - Installation of Raw Water Mains - Phase 1 - Contract 4 - Cedar Hill PFAS Treatment Facility (NTE \$5,933,933.04)** - Awards a contract to the lowest responsible bidder, MSP Construction Corporation, 19-B Minneakoning Road, Flemington, NJ
- 25-326Award Contract - Construction of Mountain PFAS Treatment Facility (NTE \$3,554,013)** - Awards a contract to the lowest responsible bidder, Coppola Services, Inc., 28 Executive Parkway, Ringwood, NJ
- 25-327Award Contract - Construction of Main PFAS Treatment Facility (NTE \$3,300,000)** - Awards a contract to the lowest responsible bidder, Sovereign Consulting, Inc., 111-A North Gold Drive, Robbinsville, NJ
- 25-328Award Contract Under State Contract - Water Arsenic and Trace Metal Lab Testing Equipment (NTE \$147,870.43)** - Awards a contract under State contract to Agilent Technologies, Inc., 2850 Centerville Road, Wilmington, DE
- 25-329Award Contract Under State Contract - Chlorine Reagent Sets for Chlorine Analyzers at Various Treatment Facilities (NTE \$21,477.40)** - Awards a contract under State Contract to Hach Company, 56000 Lindbergh Drive, Loveland, CO
- 25-330Authorize Change Order - Professional Engineering Services - Various Design Changes and Permit Fees - Eastside, Main, and Mountain PFAS Treatment Facilities (NTE \$200,482)** - Authorizes a change order to the

original vendor, Arcadis U.S., Inc., 15 East Midland Avenue, Suite 3E, Paramus, NJ. The change order is necessary due to design changes and fees required to be paid.

- 25-331 Confirm Refund for Overpayment of Customer Payment Plan (NTE \$6,833.77)** - Confirms the refund that was approved by the Village Manager, for the Ridgewood Water customer residing at 697 Charnwood Drive, Wyckoff, NJ. The customer signed up for auto-pay to pay back a delinquent balance in installments, not realizing that the entire balance due on the account would be paid, which depleted her bank account and caused an extreme financial hardship.

- 25-332 Authorize Execution of Agreement with Township of Wyckoff and Smith Soudy Asphalt Construction Company, Inc. - Road Improvements on Hartung Drive and Carlton Road** - Authorizes the Mayor and Village Clerk to sign the Agreement the Village of Ridgewood has with the Township of Wyckoff and Smith Soudy Asphalt Construction Company, Inc. This will allow Ridgewood Water to use the Township of Wyckoff's 2025 paving contractor to restore the road surface on streets in the Township of Wyckoff, due to water main installation work on these roads.

- 25-333 Declare Property Surplus - Standby Generator - Wortendyke Facility** - Declares a standby generator surplus property and authorizes the Village Manager to dispose of the property

- 25-334 Authorize Sale of Surplus Property to Borough of Ringwood - Standby Generator** - Authorizes the sale of the standby generator to the Borough of Ringwood for \$39,500

15. **Resolution #25-335 - Capital Budget Amendment - Parking Capital Ordinance - Purchase of Kiosks and Related Services; and Payment for Option to Purchase Warner Theater** - Amends the Parking Capital Budget for the Purchase of Kiosks and Related Services and the General Capital Budget

16. ORDINANCES - INTRODUCTION

- 4055- Bond Ordinance - Purchase of Kiosks and Financing of Professional Parking Consultant (NTE \$1,372,000)** - Appropriates this money for the purchase and all related costs and expenses, as well as hiring a professional

parking consultant for various projects, analyses, and reports concerning kiosks, signage, parking rates, and parking access and revenue control system

4056 - Bond Ordinance - Down Payment for Option to Purchase

Warner Theater (NTE \$250,000) - Appropriates this money for an option to purchase the Warner Theater at 190 East Ridgewood Avenue (Block 3704, Lot 7), including all costs and expenses incidental to this option to purchase

17. ORDINANCES - PUBLIC HEARING

4050 - White Collar Salary Ordinance

4051 - Blue Collar Salary Ordinance

4052 - Amend Chapter 190 - Land Use and Development - Establish S-1 Senior Overlay Zone District.

4053 - Establish Special Improvement District (SID) and Designate a Non-Profit District Management Corporation (DMC)

18. RESOLUTIONS

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS, NUMBERED 25-336 THROUGH 25-358, ARE TO BE ADOPTED BY A CONSENT AGENDA, WITH ONE VOTE BY THE VILAGE COUNCIL. THERE IS A BRIEF DESCRIPTION BESIDE EACH RESOLUTION TO BE CONSIDERED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA. EACH RESOLUTION WILL BE READ BY TITLE ONLY:

25-336 Award Contract - Administrative Agent for Affordable

Housing Services (NTE \$7,500) - Awards a contract to Piazza and Associates, Inc., Princeton Forrestal Village, 201 Rockingham Row, Princeton, NJ

25-337 Award Sole Source Contract - Breath Testing Instrument

- Police Department (NTE \$22,822.50) - Awards a sole source contract to Draeger, Inc., 7256 South Sam Houston West Parkway, Suite 100, Houston, TX

25-338 Award Contract Under State Contract - Tax Map

Maintenance, GIS Support and State Certification - Tax Assessor's Office (NTE \$25,000)- Awards a contract under State Contract to Civil Solutions, 215 Bellevue Avenue, Hammonton, NJ. In 2025, \$25,000 will be paid, and the remaining balance of \$182,120 will be paid in 2026.

25-339 Award Contract Under State Contract - Public Safety VHF Radio Paging Base and UHF Radio Repeater

- (NTE \$41,069.72) - Awards a contract under State Contract to Motorola Solutions, c/o Goosetown Communications, 58 North Harrison Avenue, Congers, NY
- 25-340 Award Contract Under Sourcewell Cooperative - Purchasing System - Snowplows - Parks and Sanitation Divisions (NTE \$16,916)** - Awards a contract under Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing System to FDR Hitches, 1173 Goffle Road, Hawthorne, NJ
- 25-341 Award Professional Services Contract - Close Out of Environmental Services - Imported Fill Material at Schedler Property (NTE \$329,760)** - Awards a contract to Matrix New World Engineering, Land Surveying, and Landscape Architecture, P.C., 26 Columbia Turnpike, Florham Park, NJ. The Pay to Play forms have been filed with the Village Clerk's Office, as required by law.
- 25-342 Award Professional Services Contract - Social Worker - Health Department and Police Department (NTE \$36,000)** - Awards a non-fair and open Professional Services Contract to The Senior Company, 434 Union Boulevard, Totowa, NJ. The Pay to Play forms have been filed with the Village Clerk's Office, as required by law.
- 25-343 Award Professional Services Contract - Historic Ridgewood Train Station Pedestrian Tunnel Restoration and Repairs (NTE \$96,910)** - Awards a fair and open Professional Services Contract to Barton Ross and Partners, LLC, 184 South Livingston Avenue, Suite 9-140, Livingston, NJ
- 25-344 Award Emergency Contract - Replace Air Conditioning Unit and Fire Department Headquarters (NTE \$32,000)** - Awards an emergency contract to Atlantic Mechanical, Inc., 417 Paramus Road, Paramus, NJ
- 25-345 Establishment of the History and Cultural Center of Bergen County at the Historic John A.L. Zabriskie House and Partnerships with the Ridgewood Library's Bolger Heritage Center, and the Ridgewood Historical Society** - Establishes The History and Cultural Center of Bergen County in partnership with the Ridgewood Public Library and the Ridgewood Historical Society in order to advance the historical preservation of the Zabriskie-Schedler House and turn it into a vibrant center dedicated to local history, culture and community engagement
- 25-346 Authorize Change Order - Unleaded Gasoline and Diesel Fuel (NTE \$50,000)** - Authorizes a change order to the State Contract vendor, Rachles/Michele's Oil Company, Inc., 116 Keller Road, Clifton, NJ. This change order is necessary to have sufficient fuel for Village vehicles through the end of the year, due to vagaries in the hydrocarbon market.

- 25-347 Authorize Use of Ridgewood Open Space Trust Funds for Purchase of Pavilion at Irene Habernickel Family Park (NTE \$179,920)** - Authorizes the Village to use Open Space Trust Funds for the purchase of the pavilion at Habernickel Family Park, as allowed under the Open Space Trust Fund guidelines
- 25-348 Chapter 159 - 2025 Budget Amendment - Grant from State of New Jersey Department of Transportation - Van Neste Square Bus Shelter Improved Mobility Project** - Requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of a special item of revenue into the 2025 budget for Public and Private Revenues Offset with Appropriations - State of New Jersey, Department of Transportation - Van Neste Square Bus Shelter Improved Mobility Project - \$146,935 and that a like sum be appropriated in the 2025 budget under Operations excluded from "CAPS", Public and Private Appropriations Offset by Revenues: State of New Jersey, Department of Transportation - Van Neste Square Bus Shelter Improved Mobility Project - \$146,935
- 25-349 Accept 2024 Annual Audit** - Accepts the annual audit for 2024 and certifies that all members of the Village Council have reviewed, at a minimum, the sections of the audit entitled "General Comments" and "Recommendations"
- 25-350 Authorize 2024 Corrective Action Plan** - Approves the Corrective Action Plan proposed to correct the deficiencies found in the 2024 Annual Audit
- 25-351 Release Performance Surety Bond - 657 Ridgewood, LLC for 657 Franklin Turnpike - Shell Station/Dunkin Donuts** - Authorizes the release of the Performance Surety Bond for this project, as it has been deemed satisfactorily complete by the Building Department, Zoning Board of Adjustment, and Village Engineer
- 25-352 Authorize Execution of Memorandum of Understanding with the County of Bergen - Usage of NJ Grant Funds - Hearing Loops and Retrofitted Audio Systems** - Authorizes the Mayor and Village Clerk to execute the Memorandum of Understanding with the County of Bergen which outlines the terms and conditions of the NJ grant funds to be used to install hearing induction loops and retrofitted audio systems in three locations of Village Hall, in order to provide better sound volume for those with hearing deficiencies
- 25-353 Confirm Endorsement of Community Development Block Grant - SHARE, Inc. - 104 Cottage Place - Repair**

of Pipe - Confirms the endorsement of a \$3,750 Community Development Block grant for this project. This resolution does not obligate the financial resources of the Village but will expedite the expenditure of Community Development funds.

25-354 Authorize Renewal of Membership - Bergen County Joint Insurance Fund (JIF) - Authorizes the Village of Ridgewood's membership renewal in the Bergen County Joint Insurance Fund (JIF) from January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2028

25-355 Appoint Acting Municipal Court Administrator - Appoints Theresa Ernest, CMCA, the Acting Municipal Court Administrator on a provisional basis to undertake the duties of the absent Municipal Court Administrator and/or Deputy Municipal Court Administrator, during scheduled or unscheduled leaves of absence, a disaster or national security crises, until the absence or inability ceases.

25-356 Appoint Member to Ridgewood Arts Council - Appoints Debra Borzon Kaplove to a term that will expire on 6/30/2025

25-357 Declare Property Surplus - Graydon Pool Concession Stand Items - Declares two Graydon Pool concession stand items and authorizes the Village Manager to dispose of said items on GovDeals

25-358 Authorize Shared Services Agreement - Special Law Enforcement Officers Class III (Ridgewood Board of Education) - Authorizes a Shared Services Agreement with the Ridgewood Board of Education for several Special Law Enforcement Officers Class III. The Village will pay for their training and uniforms and the Ridgewood Board of Education will pay for their salaries.

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION, NUMBERED 25-359, WILL BE CONSIDERED SEPARATELY AND READ IN FULL:

25-359 Award Contract Under Bergen County Contract - Tree and Stump Removal Services for Paving Work and West Glen Avenue Sidewalk Installation (NTE \$43,450)

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

20. Adjournment