



Board of Trustees

Meeting Minutes

Date: January 7, 2021, 5:00 p.m.
Location: Cardinal Community Center
Gymnasium
208 Jarvis Street
Ridgeway, WI 53582

Members Present: President - J Steen
MK Baum
K Venden
M Casper
R Short
J Garner
S Vosberg

Staff Present: Clerk/Treasurer - L Phelan
Deputy Clerk - H Roessler
M Gorham

1. Meeting Opening

1.a Call to Order

Meeting called to order by President Steen @ 6:02pm

1.b Roll Call

1.c Confirmation of Open Meeting Law Compliance

L Phelan confirmed the agenda and hearing notice was posted on January 6, 2021 at the Ridgeway Village Hall/Fire Station, Farmer's Savings Bank entryway, Ridgeway Post Office lobby, and on the Village of Ridgeway website.

1.c.1 Reminder to residents where information can be accessed

2. Update from Village Board, Village Attorney, and Staff

2.a 2020 Projects, CDBG Award and 2021 Streets

J Steen spoke on recent projects that the Village has done. Shared the grants that have been recently awarded and the upcoming streets project, which was also awarded a grant.

2.b Village Park Improvements

M Casper shared the upcoming park improvements and why they need to be done. There has been a history of issues with the water and erosion. Since there is an upcoming streets project, we could potentially save costs as we will have contractors in the Village and they may bid both jobs.

2.c TID and Cardinal Way Subdivision Update

J Steen talked about the TID and how it is performing. The Cardinal Way subdivision is part of the TID, so this is providing growth within the district, which will increase the taxes that stay in the village.

3. 2020 Real Estate Tax Information

3.a Debt vs. Levy Increase

L Phelan shared information regarding the tax base, debt and levy increase. She suggested that residents come into the office to discuss their situation on an individual basis and provide more detail of the process.

3.b Determining the tax rate, levy limit, and tax base

L Phelan explained briefly, how the tax rate is determined and how the levy limit changed from the previous year due to the three new loans as well as other additions in the budget. She also shared how that increase in the levy impacted the tax rate.

4. Questions from Residents

4.a The board will respond to resident submitted questions

The Village attorney read the submitted questions and members of the board addressed and answered them.

5. Open Public Hearing

Motion by MK Baum

Seconded by J Garner

Motion to open public hearing

Motion carried

6. Close Public Hearing and Adjournment

Motion by MK Baum

Seconded by M Casper

Motion to close the public hearing

Motion carried

Motion by MK Baum

Seconded by R Short

Motion to adjourn

Motion carried