

A REGULAR WORK SESSION OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF RIDGEWOOD HELD IN THE SYDNEY V. STOLDT, JR. COURT ROOM OF THE RIDGEWOOD VILLAGE HALL, 131 NORTH MAPLE AVENUE, RIDGEWOOD, NEW JERSEY ON JUNE 7, 2017 AT 7:30 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER – OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT – ROLL CALL – FLAG SALUTE

Mayor Knudsen called the meeting to order at 7:31 P.M. and read the Statement of Compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act. At roll call, the following were present: Councilmembers Hache, Sedon, Voigt, Walsh, and Mayor Knudsen. Also present were Heather Mailander, Village Manager/Village Clerk; Matthew Rogers, Village Attorney; and Donna M. Jackson, Deputy Clerk.

Mayor Knudsen led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and held a Moment of Silence for all the men and women serving our nation and all first responders.

Mayor Knudsen thanked IT Director, Dylan Hansen, for all the work he did on improving the sound system in the courtroom.

2. SWEARING IN OF FIRE FIGHTER DANE KNUDSEN

Ridgewood Fire Chief, James Van Goor, introduced Firefighter, Dane Knudsen. Firefighter Knudsen grew up in Ridgewood and graduated from Ridgewood High School. Firefighter Knudsen joined the Volunteer Fire Department in 2011 and graduated from the Fire Academy in 2012. Firefighter Knudsen subsequently passed the Civil Service Test with a high score. Firefighter Knudsen was hired by the Ridgewood Fire Department on January 23, 2017. Chief Van Goor stated that the department was proud to have Firefighter Knudsen as a firefighter.

Dane Knudsen was sworn in as a Firefighter by Mayor Knudsen while his wife, Caroline, and his daughter held the Bible. There was a round of applause and congratulations from everyone in attendance.

3. SWEARING IN OF FIRE FIGHTER SHELBY TAYLOR

Ridgewood Fire Chief, James Van Goor, introduced Firefighter, Shelby Taylor. Firefighter Taylor is the first female firefighter in Ridgewood and the first female firefighter in Bergen County. Firefighter Taylor grew up in Ridgewood and graduated from Ridgewood High School. Right after high school, Firefighter Taylor joined the U.S. Marines and was stationed overseas in Italy and Spain. When she came back to the United States, Firefighter Taylor passed the Civil Service Test with a high score. Chief Van Goor stated that the department was proud to have Firefighter Taylor as a firefighter and for being the first female firefighter in the department.

Shelby Taylor was sworn in as a Firefighter by Mayor Knudsen while her mother, Suzanne, held the Bible. There was a round of applause and congratulations from everyone in attendance.

d. Policy

1. Boards and Committees

Mayor Knudsen asked her fellow Village Councilmembers to consider conducting a periodic review to determine if individual Boards and Committees are still necessary and whether or not they should continue or be revamped. As an example, Mayor Knudsen pointed out that when the FAC was formed, the Village did not have a C.F.O. Mayor Knudsen suggested creating an FAC Ad hoc Committee, which would handle special analysis of areas where the Village Council needs more in-depth information. This would be a better use of the FAC's talents and energies. Mayor Knudsen also suggested a membership restructuring of the Community Relations Advisory Board (CRAB), which was formed based on a horrific act of bias and hatred that occurred in Ridgewood. Mayor Knudsen suggested making it more of an ad hoc committee, with members that are appointed and specifically trained in handling matters of a personal and sensitive nature. Mayor Knudsen also suggesting forming an ad hoc committee to come up with a plan to use the Zabriskie/Schedler property. Mayor Knudsen explained that her basis for suggesting an ad hoc committee for the Zabriskie/Schedler property was the success of the Graydon Pool Ad hoc Committee. The Graydon Pool Ad hoc Committee was short-term, laser-focused on one issue, and incredibly productive.

Councilman Sedon stated that he was in favor of creating an FAC Ad hoc Committee; restructuring CRAB; and creating a Zabriskie/Schedler property Ad hoc Committee.

Councilwoman Walsh suggested focusing on how each Board and Committee would best serve the Village.

Councilman Hache felt that there is value in creating sub-committees from within. He agreed with assessing each Board and Committee to determine their relevance and their usefulness. In regard to the FAC, Councilman Hache suggested holding a meeting with FAC members and Mr. Rooney to determine how the Village Council can best leverage the collective talents of the FAC members.

Councilman Voigt agreed with Councilman Hache, adding that the FAC members have a real desire to provide a service to the community and to the Village. Councilman Voigt spoke of the importance of understanding what is important for the Village before determining that a Board or Committee is no longer necessary.

Councilman Voigt felt that CRAB is a useful committee for the Village. CRAB has brought ideas to the Village that were very relevant in terms of diversity.

Councilman Hache agreed with forming an ad hoc group for the Zabriski/Schedler property. He pointed out that this will be challenging, as there are a lot of different stakeholders, broadly spread out throughout the Village. For an ad hoc committee that meets once-a-month, Councilman Hache felt it will take years to get all the collected feedback and to have dialogue. He agreed that this ad hoc committee should follow the example of the Graydon Pool Ad hoc Committee, who met more often and were very engaged.

Mayor Knudsen pointed out that Ridgewood will soon be inclusive to CRAB; residents from Glen Rock will no longer be involved.

Mayor Knudsen suggested appointing an on-call, ad hoc committee so that when there is a special project, the ad hoc team will be contacted.

It was decided to move this discussion to the June 28, 2017 Village Council Work Session to allow time for the FAC members to give their input on ways they could best serve the community, and to contact residents who may be interested in being members of the Zabriskie/Schedler Ad hoc Committee.

2. Train Station Parking Lot & Garber Square Bike Lane

Mayor Knudsen stated that a number of residents have requested that the Green Garber Square Bike Lane revert back to being two lanes. Mr. Rutishauser explained that putting two lanes through Garber Square, even in the configuration that existed before resurfacing, is not physically possible, because it would not accommodate the 21' width required for NJ Transit busses to make the 90-degree turn at the bend in the road. There are no other roads under the Village's control in Ridgewood, except at the approach to an intersection, where there are two-lanes of traffic going in the same direction. This would require a number of ordinances and revisions to Chapter 265, Vehicles and Traffic.

Under questioning by Councilman Sedon, Mr. Rutishauser stated that the lanes were 23.8' wide and 31.6' wide in the preconstruction configuration at the 90-degree bend. Of that, at least 21' is needed to accommodate the turning busses. Mr. Rutishauser presented a radius diagram illustrating the situation.

Ms. Mailander stated that the Village is in the process of obtaining cameras or other devices to count the vehicles going through the intersection to help the Village Council better determine what action to take. Mr. Rutishauser pointed out that the traffic light at West Ridgewood Avenue and the traffic light at North Broad Street are on timers and do not have actuators that can sense additional traffic volume and adjust the cycle. Mayor Knudsen agreed that actuators are very important in creating a smooth flow of traffic.

This issue will be discussed further when more information is received.


3. Amendment to Power Tool Ordinance

Ms. Mailander explained that commercial use of power tools, landscaping and yard maintenance equipment, and motorized construction equipment is only permitted in the Village for the following hours: Monday to Friday, between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.; Saturday, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.; and prohibited entirely on Sundays. The ordinance does not apply to power machinery used for ice and snow removal.

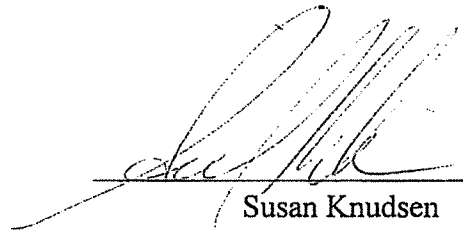
As a result of residents' complaints concerning commercial landscaping businesses using machinery early in the morning of a holiday, Mayor Knudsen asked for the Village Council's input on amending the ordinance to prohibit the commercial use of power tools, landscaping and yard maintenance equipment, and motorized construction equipment on holidays, as well as Sundays. These holidays would be named in the ordinance. Mayor Knudsen also asked the

12. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Village Council, on a motion by Councilman Sedon, seconded by Councilwoman Walsh, and carried unanimously by voice vote, the Village Council's Work Session was adjourned at 10:44 p.m.



Donna M. Jackson
Deputy Village Clerk



Susan Knudsen
Mayor

RESOLUTION NO. 17-215

WHEREAS, the Village Council of the Village of Ridgewood has determined that they wish to develop the Schedler property of the Village of Ridgewood, designated as Block 4704, Lots 9, 10, 11, and 12, with a street address of 460 West Saddle River Road on the Village Tax Map, into a public park; and

WHEREAS, the Village Councilmembers have agreed to form an Ad Hoc Committee for this purpose, comprised of two Village Councilmembers; the Director and Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation; a member of the Engineering staff; and resident members of the Planning Board, Ridgewood Wildscape, Shade Tree Commission/Green Team, and Parks, Recreation and Conservation Board and a sports organization; as well as a Ridgewood resident who lives in the area of the proposed park.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Council of the Village of Ridgewood does hereby appoint the following members to the Schedler Park Development Ad Hoc Committee, effective immediately:

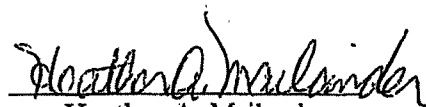
- Councilman Ramon Hache
- Deputy Mayor Michael Sedon
- Timothy Cronin, Director of Parks and Recreation
- Nancy Bigos, Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation
- Jovan Mehandzic, Assistant Engineer
- Isabella Altano, Planning Board Member
- Eleanor Gruber, Ridgewood Wildscape Member
- Manish Shrimali, Member Shade Tree Commission and Green Team
- Nicholas Whitney, Resident in area of Schedler property
- Philip Dolce, Resident in area of Schedler property
- Matthew Cunningham, Sports Representative
- Michael Winograd, Member of Parks, Recreation Conservation Board and Ridgewood Maroons

I hereby certify that this resolution, consisting of 1 page(s), was adopted at a meeting of the Village Council of the Village of Ridgewood, held this 12th day of July , 2017

	Moved	Second	Ayes	Nays	Absent	Abstain
Hache		X				
Sedon	X					
Voigt			X			
Walsh			X			
Knudsen			X			



 Susan Knudsen
 Mayor



 Heather A. Mailander
 Village Manager/Village Clerk

**THE RIDGEWOOD VILLAGE COUNCIL'S
PUBLIC WORKSHOP AGENDA
DECEMBER 6, 2017
7:30 P.M.**

1. 7:30 pm – Call to Order – Mayor
2. Statement of Compliance with Open Public Meeting Act
Mayor: “Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by a posting on the bulletin board in Village Hall, by mail to the Ridgewood News, The Record, and by submission to all persons entitled to same as provided by law of a schedule including the date and time of this meeting.”
3. Roll Call – Village Clerk
4. Flag Salute/Moment of Silence
5. Public Comments (Not to Exceed 3 Minutes per Person - 40 Minutes in Total)
6. Discussion
 - a. Ridgewood Water
 1. Award Change Order #2 - Lafayette Reservoir Improvements
7. Motion to Suspend Work Session and Convene Special Public Meeting
8. Special Public Meeting – See Attached Agenda
9. Motion to Adjourn Special Public Meeting and Reconvene Work Session
10. Presentation
 1. Burbio Calendar App
 2. Presentation by Schedler Ad Hoc Committee
11. Discussion
 - a. Ridgewood Water
 1. Award Contract – Water Billing and Data Collection/Processing Services
 2. Award State Contract – Emergency Generators
 3. Award Professional Services – Evaluation of Water Quality
 4. Award Contract – Line Stop and Valve Insertion Services
 5. Award Change Order #1 – Professional Services for Lafayette Reservoir Improvements
 6. Award Change Order #1 – Scada System Software

b. Parking

1. ParkMobile Contract
2. Chestnut Street Parking Kiosk
3. Cottage Place Lot – Employee Parking Spaces

c. Budget

1. Budget Transfer
2. Quarterly Financial Report
3. Authorize 2018 Cash Management Plan
4. Adopt 2018 Temporary Budgets – Current Operations, Water & Parking Utilities
5. Declare 1998 Ford Econoline Van Surplus – Signal Division
6. Cancel Real Estate Taxes for Disabled Veteran
7. Removed from Agenda
8. Award Contract – Landfill Disposal of Solid Waste 2018/2019
9. Award Contract – Recreation Program Instruction for 2018
10. Award State Contract – Police Radios
11. Rental of Two Parking Spaces - North Broad Street for Taxi Stand
12. Leasing of Police Vehicles
13. Award Contract - Poster Displays Advertising at Train Station Complex
14. Planning Board Master Plan
15. Award Contract – Minute Preparation for Village Council Meetings
16. Blue Collar, White Collar and Management Salary Ordinance Amendments
17. Award Contract – Security Improvements for Village Hall

d. Policy

1. Update on Glenwood Road
2. Establishment of Housing Authority
3. Removed from Agenda
4. Oppose New Regulations on Bee Keeping

e. Operations

1. Approve Application for Bergen County Community Development Block Grant for SHARE
2. Approve Application for Bergen County Municipal Alliance Grant – Drug & Alcohol Educational Programs 2018/2019
3. Approve Application for Bergen County Community Development Block Grant – Ridge Road Ramp
4. Confirm Endorsement of Community Development Projects - Family Promise of Bergen County

12. Review of December 13, 2017 Public Meeting Agenda
13. Manager's Report
14. Council Reports
15. Public Comments (Not to Exceed 5 Minutes per Person)
16. Resolution to go into Closed Session
17. Closed Session
 - A. Legal – Anticipated Litigation – Compliance with Site Plan
 - B. Personnel – Health Department
18. Adjournment