

COMMISSIONERS OF RIDGELY



ORDINANCE NO. 2026-402

AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS AND ESTIMATE INCOME IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BUDGET ADOPTED FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2026, AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2027

Be it ordained and enacted by the Commissioners of Ridgely, Maryland that the following tax rates and fees revenue and expenditure estimates are enacted for Fiscal Year 2026-2027:

- Sec. 1 General Fund
- Sec.2 Rate of Taxation on Real Property
- Sec. 3 Rate of Taxation on Business Personal Property
- Sec. 4 Service and Administration Fee Collected by Caroline County Tax Office

Sec. 1 General Fund

- A. That the following amounts shall be and hereby are appropriated for the expenditures designated for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027, for the General Fund:

Activity Title	Approved Budget & Appropriation
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	
General Administration	\$ 377,651
General Administration – Total	\$ 377,651
PUBLIC SAFETY	
Caroline County Sheriff’s Dept	\$ 481,246
Volunteer Fire Co. Grant	\$ 40,000
Security Cameras	\$ 8,520
Call Box	\$ 900
Town Hall Expenses	\$ 8,600
Town Hall Loan	\$ 10,726
Public Safety Total	\$ 550,492
PUBLIC WORKS	
Streets and Grounds	\$ 256,729
Trash Collection	\$ 181,035
Parks	\$ 129,635
Public Works Total	\$ 567,399

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Economic Development Committee	\$ 2,500
Economic Development Total	\$ 2,500

GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES **\$1,498,042**

SEWER SYSTEM **\$ 470,090**

WATER SYSTEM **\$ 404,531**

WATER/SEWER RESERVES/DEFICIT **\$ (-156,140)**

CONTINGENCY **\$ 69,410**

TOTAL APPROPRIATION **\$2,285,933**

- B. That the following revenues are, in the considered judgement of the Town Commission, a fair appraisal and estimate of the revenues available to finance this budget and these appropriations for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027.

Source	Estimated Revenues
Taxes	\$ 1,036,405
Revenue from Other Agencies	\$ 274,426
Fines/Fees/Miscellaneous Income	\$ 256,621
Fees for Water Service	\$ 296,781
Fees for Sewer Service	\$ 421,700
Total FY27 Revenues	\$2,285,933

Sec. 2 Rate of Taxation of Real Property

That the rate of taxation on real property to be taxed within the boundaries of the Town of Ridgely, Maryland shall be and hereby is established as:

Forty-Six and .56 cents (\$0.4656)

On each one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of value for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and including June 30, 2027.

Sec. 3 Rate of Taxation on Business Personal Property

That the rate of taxation for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, and including June 30, 2027, on any personal property to be taxed by the Town of Ridgely, Maryland, shall be and hereby is established as:

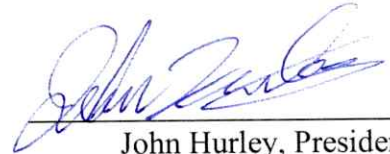
One Dollar and .275 Cents (\$1.275)

On each one hundred dollars (\$100.00) of assessed valuation, unless otherwise provided for by Article 81 of the Annotated Code of Maryland.

Sec. 4 Service and Administration Fee Collected by Caroline County Tax Office

That the rate of service and administrative fees on semi-annual billings assessed by the Caroline County Tax Office shall be established as: .110% Service and Administrative Fee.

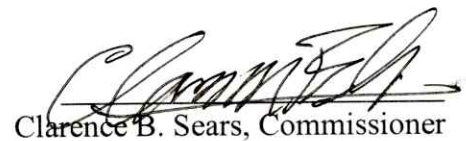
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John Hurley, President

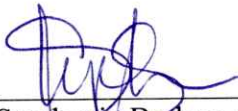


Chad Leister, Commissioner



Clarence B. Sears, Commissioner

ATTEST:



Stephanie Berkey, CMC
Town Clerk-Treasurer

Date Introduced: May 4, 2026

Date Passed: June 1, 2026

Effective Date: June 21, 2026