

**COMMISSIONERS OF RIDGELY  
AUGUST 1, 2022  
TOWN MEETING**



The Commissioners of Ridgely met on the above date at 6:00 pm in the town hall. The following were in attendance: President Anthony Casey, Commissioner John Hurley, Commissioner Leonard John Buckle, Clerk-Treasurer Stephanie Berkey, Director of Public Works David Crist, Zoning Administrator Melissa Leonard, Financial Assistant Gerald Sutton, Sgt Gordon Geesey, John Balderson, Jr, Cathy & Rick Schwab, Donna Eveland, Norma Pinkney and Delegate Jeff Ghrist.

President Casey opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Hurley made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 5, 2022 town meeting, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Buckle, approved.

**STAFF REPORTS  
CLERK-TREASURER**

Commission Hurley made a motion to approve paying the bills, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Buckle, approved. Total general funds reconciled \$133,468.11, total sewer funds reconciled \$9,293.75, total water funds reconciled \$8,580.24, total ARPA funds reconciled \$514,297.55. Sponsor donations for the Winter Festival have been coming and so far, we have raised \$9,700.

**DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS**

David Crist told the Commissioners that the last part of the LPPI grant for Martin Sutton Park has been ordered. New benches and trash cans have been ordered. There was a discussion about holding on the ARPA funding for possible matching funds for a water tower project or to utilize the funding now to make purchases for equipment that we would not have to get loans. Public works is going to be working on the backfilling of the tennis courts in the upcoming weeks.

**CHIEF OF POLICE**

Not present.

**ZONING ADMINISTRATOR**

Nothing to report.

**FINANCIAL ASSISTANT**

Nothing to report.

**HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

Cathy Schwab said that the Ridgely chat session that was held on July 23<sup>rd</sup> was a success. They may plan another session for October. The train station will be open the first Saturday of the month through September.

**OLD BUSINESS**

There was no old business.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Angela Citrone was not present to discuss her agenda item. Delegate Jeff Ghrist discussed the upcoming 2023 legislative session and potential town budget priorities. They are meeting in September with Secretary Brinkley to discuss priorities. The deadline is November 1, 2022, to make a budget request.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Cathy Schwab asked about restoring the caboose as a potential project for the legislative session. She will try and get a dollar amount to submit.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:16 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Stephanie L. Berkey, CMC Clerk-Treasurer