



Ridgway Youth Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

Monday, January 11, 2021

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Town Manager Preston Neill called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. and Youth Advisory members present were Emma Berwanger, Nerea McKnitt and Emmalee Taylor. Anna Bartschi and Christian Lindler were absent. Also present were Mayor John Clark and Town Manager Preston Neill. Christian Lindler joined the meeting at 2:20 p.m.

2. Approval of Minutes from January 11, 2021 Meeting

Emma Berwanger made a motion to approve the Minutes from the January 11, 2021 Youth Advisory Council meeting. Nerea McKnitt seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously by members present. Anna Bartschi and Christian Lindler were absent.

3. Selection of Officers

Town Manager Preston Neill explained that according to the *Authority and Procedures*, the group needs to select its own Mayor and Mayor Pro-Tem. The Mayor or, in the absence of the Mayor, the Mayor Pro-Tem, will be the presiding officer of Youth Advisory Council meetings. This item was postponed to the next meeting since all members were not present for this item.

4. Local Government Basics Presentation

Town Manager Preston Neill gave a presentation on the basics of local government. The presentation covered a number of items, including but not limited to:

- Types of local government
- Local government services and regulations
- Ridgway services and form of government
- Town Council actions
- Open Meetings Law
- Master Plan
- Strategic Plan
- Town Budget

5. Meeting Requirements

The group had a conversation about meeting requirements and expectations. Since the meetings are recorded and posted to the Town's YouTube Channel, it was explained that if any member misses a meeting, the expectation is that they take the time before the next meeting to watch the meeting they missed on YouTube. Members were also encouraged to attend a Town Council meeting every once in a while, to stay up to date on current events and community issues.

6. January 13, 2021 Council Meeting Agenda Review

Mayor John Clark reviewed items on the agenda for the January 13, 2021 Council meeting. He gave background for each item and explained the type of action required for each item (i.e., motion and vote, direction).

7. Next Meeting Date and Time

Town Manager Preston Neill reminded the group that the next meeting would take place on Monday, February 8, 2021 at 2:00 p.m.

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8. Future Agenda Items

Town Manager Preston Neill briefly reviewed items expected to be on future meeting agendas. The items include:

- Discussion regarding future activities and community service projects
- Discussion regarding goals to inform an “Action Plan”
- Guest speaker
- Selection of Officers

9. Public Comment

No public comments were made.

10. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Youth Advisory Council, the meeting was adjourned. The time was 3:36 p.m.