

Ridley Township Board of Commissioners
July 23, 2025
Meeting Minutes

The Regular Meeting of the Ridley Township Board of Commissioners was called to order by Board President Willert at 6:00pm on July 23, 2025 at the Township Building.

The following Commissioners were present: Mr. Saraceni, Mrs. Morrisette (*on phone*), Mrs. Cummins, Mr. McMenamin, Mr. Saunders, Mr. Warwick, Mr. Willert, and Mr. Bidoli.

Also present were Mr. Ryan (Township Manager), Mr. Catania (Township Engineer), Mr. Betzler (Controller) and Mr. Neill (Township Solicitor).

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Public Forum

- Ruth Ann Davidson, 532 Manor Circle, Folsom, appeared before the Board concerning animal control issues.
- Suzanne deSeife, 1209 Harper Avenue, Woodlyn, appeared before the Board requesting any road safety improvement updates

Manager's Report

Mr. Ryan requested approval of two (2) Block Party Requests – Clark Avenue on August 16th and Stockton Circle for September 6th.

Motion made by Mr. Bidoli, seconded by Mrs. Cummins to approve the block parties as presented. Motion carried unanimously (8-0).

Mr. Ryan requested approval of two (2) Special Event Permit requests – Eastlawn Cemetery Storytime on August 16th and Ridley Cheerleading Fundraiser at Folsom Field on October 4th.

Motion made by Mr. Saraceni, seconded by Mr. Warwick to approve the Special Event Permit requests as presented. Motion carried unanimously (8-0).

Recycling Report

Mr. Bidoli reported trash collected in June was 1,314.42 tons and recycling collected in June was 145.04 tons. 9 televisions were collected in June. He also announced the Community Shredding Day will be held on October 11th from 9am to 11am at the township building.

Controller's Report - No Report

Solicitor's Report- No Report

Engineer's Report

Mr. Catania recommended approval of the following certificates: N. Abbonizio Contractors, Inc. – Acres Drive Inlet Repair - \$8,600.00; Traffic Planning & Design, Inc. – Green Light-Go signal upgrades - \$7,222.50; Traffic Planning & Design, Inc. – Kedron & Academy signal inspection - \$1,312.30; A. Gargiule & Sons, Inc. – Michigan Ave Sanitary Sewer Relocation - \$20,825.25.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrisette, seconded by Mr. Bidoli to approve the certificates as read. Motion carried unanimously (8-0).

Mr. Catania recommended the bids received for the Balignac Avenue Sidewalk Replacement (CDBG Project) be rejected and readvertised.

Motion made by Mr. Warwick, seconded by Mr. Bidoli to reject the bids and readvertise as discussed. Motion carried unanimously (8-0).

Mr. Catania requested approval of a Resolution for a Multimodal Transportation Fund Grant Resolution for MacDade Boulevard Safety Improvements in the amount of \$2,217,425.00.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrisette, seconded by Mr. Warwick to approve the resolution as presented. Motion carried unanimously (8-0).

Highway & Sanitation Committee Report- No Report

Law & Ordinance Committee Report - No Report

Recreation Committee Report

Mr. McMenamin reported on upcoming recreation programs. Our Annual Fall Festival will be held on Sunday, September 21st with a raindate of September 28th at the Municipal Building.

Public Safety Committee Report

Mr. Willert read the Public Safety Committee Report noting the calls for service in June totaled 1,233. He also announced National Night Out will be held on Tuesday, August 5th from 5:30pm to 7:30pm at the Municipal Building.

Mr. Willert also reminded residents about the township's motorized scooter ordinance.

Health & Code Enforcement Committee Report

Mr. Saraceni read the Health & Code Enforcement Committee report for June as follows:

- Permits Issued – 310
- Contractors Registered – 17
- Certificates of Occupancy Issued – 51
- Rental Inspections – 30
- Health Inspections – 16

Building Committee Report- No Report

Library & Resource Center Committee Report

Mrs. Cummins reported that 9,492 patrons visited the library and checked out or downloaded 15,762 books and other items in June. Program attendance at 60 programs was 1,819 people. In addition, the library staff accepted 140 new passport applications in June, bringing the total for 2025 to 904. The library currently has 4,559 Facebook followers. She also reported on upcoming library programs.

Finance Committee Report

Mrs. Morrisette reported all Commissioners received a list of this month's bills.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrisette, seconded by Mr. Bidoli that the bills be approved subject to the Controller's review and approval. Motion carried unanimously (8-0).

Old and New Business

Mr. Saunders thanked the residents of the 100 block of Haverford Road for their patience during the PECO construction work.

Mr. McMenamin thanked Denise Faber, Marina Manager and staff for their hard work during the busy season.

Adjournment

Motion made by Mr. McMenamin, seconded by Mr. Bidoli to adjourn the meeting, Motion carried unanimously (8-0).

Meeting concluded at 6:21pm.