

**TOWN OF RIDGEVILLE  
MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING  
April 11, 2022**

Board Members in attendance: Chairman, Keith Giraud; 1<sup>st</sup> Supervisor, Ron Luethe; 2<sup>nd</sup> Supervisor, Jerry Haney; also in attendance was Clerk, Rita Williams.

The Special Meeting was called to order by Chairman, Keith Giraud. This meeting started at 7:00 P.M.

The Pledge to the Flag was recited.

**1. Discussion on Request for Dog Kennel on Kent Ave in Ridgeville from Tabitha Gnewikow**

Tabitha Gnewikow gave some information on what they want to do with the dogs. She noted that they have 10 Dogs. They had 4 Dogs and only got the other dogs this past year. They felt that the four original dogs were licensed to them and the remaining this last December. They don't know where the license information or papers are at this time. It was also noted that they have been breeding dogs for 2 years.

They are putting up a fence that is 6' high so the dogs will not be able to go into other yards. It was noted that the size of Kennels were not big enough for dogs that size.

There were a couple of comments from neighbors in attendance. There were 3 other couples in attendance from the neighborhood.

After a lengthy discussion the residents in attendance left and at that time there was a lengthy discussion by the board.

After discussion there was a motion by Ron Luethe and seconded by Keith Giraud to recommend to Zoning not to approve the CUP for a Dog Kennel at this time due to some issues and concerns and until all regulations are met: Motion Carried.

Those concerns are:

A previous history of licenses of all dogs and documentation demonstrated.

A business plan for a dog kennel presented and an understanding of the state & local requirements.

Public health & safety Issues addressed due to so many dogs.

The size of kennels should be corrected and regulation size for the size of the dogs.

Neighbor concerns met.

Address number of dogs running freely.

Address and control amount of noise of barking dogs.

**2. Approval of Driveway Permit for Mathew McPherson**

The driveway permit that was requested by Mathew McPherson was reviewed and approved with a motion from Ron Luethe and seconded by Keith Giraud. Motion Carried.

**3. Adjourn Meeting**

The meeting was adjourned with a motion from Keith Giraud and seconded by Jerry Haney. Motion Carried.

Rita Williams Clerk-Town of Ridgeville