

September 25, 2026

Village of Ridgeway Board of Trustees,

Please accept this letter as my formal resignation from my position as Trustee 4 on the Village of Ridgeway Board, effective immediately.

This was not a decision I made lightly. I chose to serve on the Village Board because I care deeply about Ridgeway and wanted to contribute to the community in another meaningful way. However recent circumstances have caused me to reflect on the level of support and mutual respect that is necessary to exist for me to continue in this role.

I believe that serving on a Village Board requires an environment where differing perspectives can be expressed respectfully, where individuals are allowed the opportunity to speak and be heard, and where board members feel supported while carrying out their responsibilities.

I want to be clear that my resignation from the Board should not be interpreted as a lack of commitment to the Village of Ridgeway. Living here for over ten years, eight of those years I have dedicated a significant amount of my personal time to serving this community through EMS, currently serving as the Assistant Chief of First Response. That service is incredibly important to me, and I will continue dedicating my time keeping our residents safe and caring for them during their most difficult moments.

Volunteerism is something I understand on a deeply personal level. I also recognize that service to a community takes different forms, many which are not always visible to others. I believe those contributions deserve to be respected rather than assumed or diminished. I am very grateful and appreciative to everyone that has the village's best interest in mind.

At this time, I believe stepping away from my position as Trustee 4 is the appropriate decision. I am grateful for the opportunity I had to serve on the Board.

I remain committed to serving the Village of Ridgeway as a first responder and to supporting the community I call home.

Respectfully,

Kayla Goebel
Trustee 4
Village of Ridgeway