

# Ridgway Dark Sky committee

ROCC Business Meeting October 24th 2019

Val Szwarc

## Recent Accomplishments

- Ridgway Town Council adopts International Dark Sky (2015 criteria) compliant Lighting Ordinance – Sept 18 and effective Oct 18
  - Congratulations to rest of the team who helped make this possible – Dave Jones, Howard Greene, and Rob Datsko
  - Thanks to strong support from Town Council
  - Both Telluride Planet and Plain Dealer interviewed Val Szwarc for excellent front-page articles highlighting this accomplishment
- ROCC Outreach brochure created to help educate the public and to be provided to the Town for their use
  - Thanks for Roze Evans for her help creating the brochure
- Presentations explaining Ridgway's new lighting ordinance being coordinated with area schools

## Upcoming activities

- Gather remaining materials needed to satisfy IDA criteria
  - Support letters
  - Additional outreach materials
- I will be attending IDA's 2019 annual meeting in early November
  - Tucson, AZ
  - Proposed paper accepted
- Draft and submit with Town IDA Dark Sky application later in 2019 or early 2020 (TBR)