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RIDGWAY DARK SKY COMMITTEE

ROCC ANNUAL MEETING DECEMBER 8TH 2019

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2019 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

THANK YOU

2019 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Ridgway Town Council adopts International Dark Sky compliant Lighting Ordinance – Sept 18
 - Congratulations to rest of the team who helped make this possible – Dave Jones, Howard Greene, and Rob Datsko
- ROCC Dark Sky Committee sponsored outreach has been broad in scope and diverse in media sources
 - Local Dark Sky Activities presentation to Black Canyon Astronomical Society Jan 2019
 - Sherbino Theater showing of "Saving the Dark" April 2019
 - Dark Sky Themed Star Party at Ridgway State Park May 2019
 - Ridgway's Guide to Dark Sky Outdoor Lighting Ordinance Oct 2019
 - Numerous articles in local papers including Plaindealer, Telluride Planet and Watch
 - KVNF airing of Dark Sky activities in Ridgway and Western Colorado – Dec 31 @ 6pm
 - Online postings on ROCC Facebook Page and Colorado Plateau Dark Sky Cooperative Newsletter

2019 ACCOMPLISHMENTS - CONTINUED

- Received ROCC executive committee approval for Town of Ridgway Challenge Grant
 - Toward replacement of Town's out of compliance street lights
- Sky Quality Measurements continued over Ridgway
- Provided Technical expertise to TOP leading to their approval to pursue Dark Sky Designation in 2020
- Accepted Presentation at IDA Annual Meeting Nov 2019
 - Challenges and solutions small Western Colorado towns have adopting IDA lighting ordinances
- Defined plan and schedule to assemble and submit the IDA application for Dark Sky Designation

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

- Draft and submit IDA Dark Sky Community application in early 2020
 - Target Feb 24, 2020 deadline
 - Significant effort that highlights Ridgway and documents all the Dark Sky related activities
- Gather remaining materials needed to satisfy IDA criteria for Ridgway
 - Support letters
- Create and initiate Dark Sky support “activities” for local Ridgway businesses and organizations
- Assist Top of the Pines (TOP) in their pursuit of IDA Dark Sky Sanctuary Designation

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QUESTIONS?

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