



# TOWN OF LEDYARD

## Agricultural Commission

### Meeting Minutes

741 Colonel Ledyard Highway  
Ledyard, Connecticut 06339

Chairman  
Bruce Garstka

#### Regular Meeting

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Tuesday, September 17, 2024

6:00 PM

Town Hall Annex-Hybrid Format

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#### I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Garstka called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

#### II. ROLL CALL

**Present** Community-at-Large Representative Katie Yuhas  
Alternate Member Steve Martic  
Farming Community Bruce Garstka  
Farming Community Russell Holmberg  
Farming Community Michael E. Marelli  
**Excused** Farming Community Allyson Angelini  
Farming Community William Thorne

#### III. CITIZENS COMMENTS

None present.

#### IV. COMMENTS OF COMMISSION MEMBERS

##### 1. Comments of Commission Members.

Chairman Garstka reported the passing of two noted members from the Agricultural Community, Keith Parkinson from Rose Hill Farm and Paddock Tack Shop as well as Paul Maugle from Maugle Sierra Vineyards. Chairman Garstka said he would like to extend his condolences to both families.

**RESULT:** DISCUSSED

#### V. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

##### 1. Informational items.

None.

#### VI. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

##### 1. Motion to APPROVE Regular Meeting Minutes from July 16, 2024, as written.

**RESULT:** APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

**MOVER:** Bruce Garstka

**SECONDER:** Michael E. Marelli

**AYE** 5 Yuhas Martic Garstka Holmberg Marelli

**EXCUSED** 2 Angelini Thorne

## **VII. CORRESPONDENCE**

### **1. Correspondence.**

Chairman Garstka received correspondence regarding Mr. Marelli's re-appointment to the Commission.

**RESULT:** DISCUSSED

## **VIII. OLD BUSINESS**

### **1. Any other Old Business to come before the Commission.**

None.

## **IX. NEW BUSINESS**

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Chairman Garstka said there is a new barn that opened on Pumpkin Hill Road, near Paint Mill Drive. He had heard from another Commission that the owner's last name is McGuire, and they plan to open a stable. Chairman Garstka plans to stop by the barn and introduce himself. The barn is Amish built.

The Paddock Tack Shop is up for sale. Chairman Garstka asked the Commissioners to get the word out to people who may be interested in the equine business.

Next month will be the Joint meeting (October 15, 2024). Chairman Garstka encouraged the Commissioners to bring up questions. He added that he would like any interested Commissions/Committees to join the meeting.

**RESULT:** DISCUSSED

## **X. ADJOURNMENT**

The Regular Meeting was ADJOURNED at 6:06 p.m.

**RESULT:** APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

**MOVER:** Bruce Garstka

**SECONDER:** William Thorne

**AYE** 5 Yuhas Martic Garstka Holmberg Marelli

**EXCUSED** 2 Angelini Thorne

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