



TOWN OF LEDYARD

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Town Council Meeting Minutes

Chairman Gary St. Vil

Regular Meeting

Wednesday, March 25, 2026

7:00 PM

Town Hall Council Chambers

WORKING DRAFT

In-Person: Council Chambers Town Hall Annex

Remote: Information noted below:

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Audio Only: Telephone: +1 646 558 8656; Meeting ID: 880 5620 0268; Passcode: 171095

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman St. Vil called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Council Chambers, Town Hall Annex Building.

Chairman St. Vil welcomed all to the Hybrid Meeting. He stated for the members of the Town Council and the Public who were participating via video conference that the remote meeting information was available on the Agenda that was posted on the Town's Website - Granicus-Legistar Meeting Portal.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ROLL CALL

Present: Town Councilor William Barnes
Town Councilor April Brunelle
Town Councilor Jessica Buhle
Town Councilor Adrienne Parad
Town Councilor James Thompson
Chairman Gary St. Vil
Town Councilor Tim Ryan
Town Councilor Carmen Garcia-Irizarry

Excused: Town Councilor Ty Lamb

IV. PRESENTATIONS

None.

V. RESIDENT & PROPERTY OWNERS (COMMENTS LIMITED TO THREE (3) MINUTES)

Mr. Mike Cherry, 5 Whippoorwill Drive, Gales Ferry

Mr. Brandon Graber, Church Hill Road, Ledyard

VI. COMMITTEE COMMISSION AND BOARD REPORTS

None.

VII. COMMENTS OF TOWN COUNCILORS

VIII. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION to approve the Town Council Regular Minutes of March 11, 2026

RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

IX. COMMUNICATIONS

Communications List for March 25, 2026

X. REFERRALS

XI. FISCAL YEAR 2026/2027 BUDGET UPDATE

Fiscal Year 2026/2027 Budget Update

XII. COUNCIL SUB COMMITTEE, LIAISON REPORTS

1. Administration Committee Report Fiscal Year 2025/2026

2. Community Relations Committee for Diversity, Equity & Inclusion – Report- Fiscal Year 2025/2026

3. Finance Committee Report Fiscal Year 2025/2026

4. LUPPW Committee Report Fiscal Year 2025/2026

5. Liaison Reports

XIII. REPORT OF THE MAYOR

Mayor Report Fiscal Year 2025/2025

XIV. OLD BUSINESS

Discussion and possible action on the Town Council's "Goals Letter"

RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

MOVER: William Barnes

SECONDER: James Thompson

AYE: 8 Barnes, Brunelle, Buhle, Parad, Thompson, St. Vil, Ryan, and Garcia-Irizarry

EXCUSED: 1 Lamb

XV. NEW BUSINESS

CONSENT CALENDAR

- *1. MOTION reappoint Mr. William Thorne (R)3 Adios Lane, Ledyard, to the Ledyard Farmers Market Committee for a to complete a three (3) year term ending February 26, 2029.

RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

- *2. MOTION to reappoint Mr. Gary Schneider, (D) 101 Inchcliffe Drive, Gales Ferry, to the Permanent Municipal Building Committee for a three (3) year term ending March 26, 2029.

RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

- *3. MOTION to approve four tax refunds in the combined total amount of \$12,562.61 each exceeding \$2,400.00 in accordance with tax collector departmental procedures.

- Beth Dench \$3,919.94
- Home Loan Serv for Lily Bensko \$2,724.59
- Home Loan Serv for Nicholas Onega \$2,696.00
- Laura Waite \$3,222.08

RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

MOVER: Jessica Buhle

SECONDER: April Brunelle

AYE: 8 Barnes, Brunelle, Buhle, Parad, Thompson, St. Vil, Ryan, and Garcia-Irizarry

EXCUSED: 1 Lamb

Administration Committee

- 4. MOTION to recommend the Town Council set a Public Hearing (Hybrid Format - Video Conference and In-Person) on April 8, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. to be held in Council Chambers, Town Hall Annex, 741 Colonel Ledyard Highway, Ledyard, Connecticut, to receive comments and recommendations regarding proposed amendments to Ordinance #300-029 (rev. 2) "An Ordinance Regarding Control of Alcoholic Beverages at Town of Ledyard Facilities".

RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

MOVER: Carmen Garcia-Irizarry

SECONDER: April Brunelle

AYE: 8 Barnes, Brunelle, Buhle, Parad, Thompson, St. Vil, Ryan, and Garcia-Irizarry

EXCUSED: 1 Lamb

5. MOTION to adopt a proposed “Resolution Establishing An Ad Hoc Committee to Evaluate The Separation of the Planning Commission & Zoning Commission”, as presented in the draft dated March 11, 2026.

RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

MOVER: Jessica Buhle

SECONDER: James Thompson

AYE: 8 Barnes, Brunelle, Buhle, Parad, Thompson, St. Vil, Ryan, and Garcia-Irizarry

EXCUSED: 1 Lamb

6. MOTION to appoint Ms. Sarah Bowen, (D) 80 Avery Hill Road, Ledyard to the Inland Wetland and Water Courses Commission to complete a two (2) year term ending October 31, 2027 filling a vacancy left by Mr. Persano

RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

MOVER: Carmen Garcia-Irizarry

SECONDER: April Brunelle

AYE: 8 Barnes, Brunelle, Buhle, Parad, Thompson, St. Vil, Ryan, and Garcia-Irizarry

EXCUSED: 1 Lamb

7. MOTION to appoint Ms. Julie Harty (R) 26 Coachman Pike, to the Ledyard Beautification Committee to complete a three (3) year term ending October 26, 2028 filling a vacancy left by Ms. Schneider.

RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

MOVER: Carmen Garcia-Irizarry

SECONDER: April Brunelle

AYE: 8 Barnes, Brunelle, Buhle, Parad, Thompson, St. Vil, Ryan, and Garcia-Irizarry

EXCUSED: 1 Lamb

8. MOTION to appoint Ms. Marielle Winkelman (R) 11 Linden Lane, Ledyard, to the Ledyard Beautification Committee to complete a three (3) year term ending October 26, 2026 filling a vacancy left by Ms. Martic

RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

MOVER: Carmen Garcia-Irizarry

SECONDER: April Brunelle

AYE: 8 Barnes, Brunelle, Buhle, Parad, Thompson, St. Vil, Ryan, and Garcia-Irizarry

EXCUSED: 1 Lamb

9. MOTION to appoint Mr. Anthony Saccone, Jr., (D) 29 Richard Road, Gales Ferry to the Permanent Municipal Building Committee (PMBC) to complete a three (3) year term ending March 26, 2029, filling a vacancy left by Ms. Peterson.

RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

MOVER: Carmen Garcia-Irizarry

SECONDER: April Brunelle

AYE: 8 Barnes, Brunelle, Buhle, Parad, Thompson, St. Vil, Ryan, and Garcia-Irizarry

EXCUSED: 1 Lamb

Finance Committee

10. MOTION to authorize the Mayor to submit a COPS Law Enforcement Technology and Equipment Grant through the 2027 Congressionally Directed Spending initiative, to purchase Body Cameras and In-Car Camera Equipment.

RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

MOVER: Jessica Buhle

SECONDER: Carmen Garcia-Irizarry

AYE: 8 Barnes, Brunelle, Buhle, Parad, Thompson, St. Vil, Ryan, and Garcia-Irizarry

EXCUSED: 1 Lamb

11. MOTION to grant a Bid Waiver to PKF O’Conner Davies of Wethersfield, CT due to receiving fewer than three qualified bids in response to RFP #2026-03 (Auditing Services) in accordance with Ordinance #200-001 (rev.2) “An Ordinance Regarding Purchasing for the Town of Ledyard”

In addition, appoint PKF O’Conner Davies to conduct auditing services for the General Government, WPCA, and Board of Education for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, in accordance with Chapter III, Section 11 of the Town Charter for a fee of \$75,000.

RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

MOVER: Jessica Buhle

SECONDER: Tim Ryan

12. MOTION to authorize the Mayor to submit 2026 Ledyard Rotary Grant Application for Summer Camp Scholarships in the amount of \$1000.00

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Barnes moved to adjourn, seconded by Councilor Garica-Irizarery
VOTE Approved and so declared. The meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Transcribed by Roxanne M. Maher
Administrative Assistant to the Town Council

I, Gary St. Vil Chairman of the Ledyard Town Council,
hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and
correct copy of the minutes of the Regular Town Council
Meeting held on March 25, 2026.

Gary St. Vil Chairman

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