



TOWN OF LEDYARD CONNECTICUT

12 Van Tassel Drive
Gales Ferry, Connecticut 06339

Parks, Recreation & Senior Citizens Commission

~ AGENDA ~

Regular Meeting

Tuesday, December 16, 2025

7:00 PM

**Parks & Recreation/Senior Citizens
Center**

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. RESIDENTS & PROPERTY OWNERS COMMENTS

IV. PRESENTATIONS / INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

1. Upcoming Events and Activities.

V. MEMBER COMMENTS

1. Member Comments.

VI. REPORTS

1. Reports.

VII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Motion to APPROVE the Regular Meeting Minutes from November 18, 2025.

Attachments: [P&R minutes 11-18-25](#)

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

1. Discuss ideas for FY26-27 Capital Projects
2. Any Other Old Business to Come Before the Commission.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussion and possible motion to APPROVE the FY2026-27 budget.
2. Election of Officers.
3. Motion to APPROVE 2026 Calendar Meeting dates as written.

Attachments: [2026 Meeting Schedule](#)

4. Any Other New Business to Come Before the Commission.

X. ADJOURNMENT

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File #: 25-3003

Agenda Date: 12/16/2025

Agenda #: 1.

AGENDA REQUEST GENERAL DISCUSSION ITEM

Subject:

Upcoming Events and Activities.

Background:

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Department Comment/Recommendation:

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Agenda Date: 12/16/2025

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AGENDA REQUEST GENERAL DISCUSSION ITEM

Subject:

Member Comments.

Background:

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Department Comment/Recommendation:

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Agenda Date: 12/16/2025

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AGENDA REQUEST GENERAL DISCUSSION ITEM

Subject:
Reports.

Background:
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Department Comment/Recommendation:
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File #: 25-3004

Agenda Date: 12/16/2025

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MINUTES

Minutes:

Motion to APPROVE the Regular Meeting Minutes from November 18, 2025.



TOWN OF LEDYARD

Parks, Recreation & Senior Citizens Commission

Meeting Minutes

12 Van Tassel Drive
Gales Ferry, Connecticut 06339

Chairman
Kenneth J. DiRico

Regular Meeting

Tuesday, November 18, 2025

7:00 PM

**Parks & Recreation/Senior Citizens
Center**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman DiRico called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. at the Ledyard Senior Center.

II. ROLL CALL

Present	Chairperson Kenneth J. DiRico
	Chairman Lucrezia Finegan
	Chairman Carol Ann Schneider
	Chairman Lauren Hawes
	Chairman Loretta Kent
	Alternate Member Stephanie Bacon
	Chairman Paula Crocker
Excused	Alternate Member Vanessa Sotelo

In addition, the following were present:

Scott Johnson, Director of Ledyard Parks, Recreation and Senior Center
William Barnes, Town Council Liaison
Terry Fedors
Sandra Fedors
Barbara Kil, Tri Town Trail
Karen Parkison, Tri Town Trail President
Tom Olson, Tri Town Trail

III. RESIDENTS & PROPERTY OWNERS COMMENTS

IV. PRESENTATIONS / INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

1. TTT Update

Mr. Olson and Ms. Parkinson gave a presentation on the Tri Town Trail in Preston, Ledyard and Groton from the start of the project to where the project is today. The trail has multiple user, 50% dogwalkers and 50% walkers. There has been a partnership with Parks & Recreation throughout the entire process. Preston Park has an ADA path to the trail. Fundraisers are done throughout the year for maintenance and there will be a luminary trail on December 13, 2025

2. Upcoming Events and Activities

V. MEMBER COMMENTS

VI. REPORTS

- Courtney Sizer has given notice and her last day will be November 26, 2025.
- Community Center bathrooms have flooded Public Works is working on fixing this issue.
- Water has been shut off at Judge Crandall Field
- Irrigation at Colonel Ledyard Park and Judge Crandall have been completed
- There have been issues with the basketball schedule with coaches arriving earlier than their start time. Coaches have been told to wait for access before going into schools.

MOTION to approve the Director's Report

This was Approved and so declared.

RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

MOVER: Lucrezia Finegan

SECONDER: Loretta Kent

AYE 7 DiRico Finegan Schneider Hawes Kent Bacon Crocker

EXCUSED 1 Sotelo

VII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. MOTION to approve the November 4th Special Meeting Minutes

RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

MOVER: Loretta Kent

SECONDER: Lucrezia Finegan

AYE 7 DiRico Finegan Schneider Hawes Kent Bacon Crocker

EXCUSED 1 Sotelo

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

1. DISCUSS Youth Sports Oversight

Youth sports oversight was discussed as per last meeting determined to be the clubs/league responsibility to have coaches adhere to rules and regulations. Clubs/leagues should participate in safe sports and have everyone sign a code of ethics. There will be a meeting for youth sports next spring.

A sub committee will be formed to adapt final rules and regulations and prepare a formalized Town of Ledyard youth sports regulations for all youth sports.

MOTION to establish a Youth Sports Sub Committee

RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

MOVER: Loretta Kent

SECONDER: Lauren Hawes

AYE 7 DiRico Finegan Schneider Hawes Kent Bacon Crocker

EXCUSED 1 Sotelo

2. MOTION to approve the Parks, Recreation and Senior Citizens Department Joint Logo

The new LOGO was discussed and the commission chose the Oak Tree with bench with the rounded lettering.

RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

MOVER: Loretta Kent

SECONDER: Paula Crocker

3. Discuss ideas for FY26-27 Capital Projects

Installation of cameras at town parks and upgrading of Senior Center cameras to Commercial-grade equipment

Implementation of individual door access codes that can be changed frequently. It was noted this may not be possible at the Senior Center due to ADA door system

Replace playground mulch

Upgrades to Blonder Park bathrooms and correction of existing plumbing issues.

Upgrade of Town Green Light Switches to LED

Installation of new lights at the football field

Replacement or repair of bleachers at several fields; noted that these are costly to maintain.

Installation of a new Senior Center sign featuring the updated logo

Purchase a fryer for the Senior Center kitchen; need to extend the kitchen hood to add a fryer

Considering purchase of a bounce house for individuals to rent and for Camp to utilize; liability to be reviewed

Purchase of portable tents for events

Updates to the pavilion and parking lot at Lantern Hill Park

Mr. Johnson will prioritize this list prior to next meeting,

4. Any Old Business Proper to come before the Commission

XI. NEW BUSINESS

1. MOTION to dedicate a plaque honoring Ms. Janet Barnett at future pavilion at LHU Park

Ms. Terry Fedors and Ms Sandra Fedors gave a presentation to honor Ms. Janet Barnett with a plaque and/or the dedication of the future pavilion at LHU Park. Ms. Fedors stated that Ms. Barnett was an advocate for teen mothers, an NFA fair officer, Long Pond Volunteer, Food Pantry Volunteer and Amistad Program volunteer giving countless dedicated hours to the community.

RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

MOVER: Lucrezia Finegan

SECONDER: Loretta Kent

AYE 7 DiRico Finegan Schneider Hawes Kent Bacon Crocker

EXCUSED 1 Sotelo

1. Discussion and possible motion to dedicate the future pavilion at LHU Park in Janet Barnett's name

RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

MOVER: Paula Crocker

SECONDER: Lucrezia Finegan

AYE 7 DiRico Finegan Schneider Hawes Kent Bacon Crocker

EXCUSED 1 Sotelo

3. Discussion and possible motion to charge for Coffee in the main room.

It was noted that the charge for coffee was discontinued after the COVID pandemic to get more people into the building, also at that time we were received the coffee free from TVCCA.

RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

MOVER: Lucrezia Finegan

SECONDER: Carol Ann Schneider

AYE 7 DiRico Finegan Schneider Hawes Kent Bacon Crocker

EXCUSED 1 Sotelo

4. MOTION to change the meeting time to 5:30 pm on the 3rd Tuesday of every month

RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

MOVER: Lucrezia Finegan

SECONDER: Carol Ann Schneider

AYE 7 DiRico Finegan Schneider Hawes Kent Bacon Crocker

EXCUSED 1 Sotelo

5. Any New Business Proper to come before the Commission

X. ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Schneider moved the meeting be adjourned, seconded
by Ms. Finegan

The meeting adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

VOTE: 7-0 Approved and so declared



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Agenda Date: 12/16/2025

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Background:

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Department Comment/Recommendation:

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File #: 25-3009

Agenda Date: 12/16/2025

Agenda #: 1.

AGENDA REQUEST
GENERAL DISCUSSION ITEM

Subject:

Discussion and possible motion to APPROVE the FY2026-27 budget.

Background:

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Department Comment/Recommendation:

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Election of Officers.

Background:

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AGENDA REQUEST GENERAL DISCUSSION ITEM

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Motion to APPROVE 2026 Calendar Meeting dates as written.

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Department Comment/Recommendation:

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LEDYARD PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

Scott Johnson
Director

12 Van Tassel Drive Gales Ferry, CT 06335
Phone (860) 464-9213, (860) 464-9112

December 11th, 2025

Patricia A. Riley, Town Clerk
741 Colonel Ledyard Highway
Ledyard, CT 06339

Dear Patricia:

The Ledyard Parks and Recreation Committee meets the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 5:30 p.m. at the Ledyard Senior Center located at 12 Van Tassel Drive Gales Ferry, CT 06335. The following is the updated schedule of meetings for 2025:

Dates	Time	Place
January 20, 2026	7:00 p.m.	Ledyard Senior Center
February 17, 2026	5:30 p.m.	Ledyard Senior Center
March 17, 2026	5:30 p.m.	Ledyard Senior Center
April 21, 2026	5:30 p.m.	Ledyard Senior Center
May 19, 2026	5:30 p.m.	Ledyard Senior Center
June 16, 2026	5:30 p.m.	Ledyard Senior Center
July 21, 2026	5:30 p.m.	Ledyard Senior Center
August 18, 2026	5:30 p.m.	Ledyard Senior Center
September 15, 2026	5:30 p.m.	Ledyard Senior Center
October 20, 2026	5:30 p.m.	Ledyard Senior Center
November 17, 2026	5:30 p.m.	Ledyard Senior Center
December 15, 2026	5:30 p.m.	Ledyard Senior Center
January 19, 2027	5:30 p.m.	Ledyard Senior Center

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at Scott@ledyardrec.org.

Sincerely,

Scott Johnson Jr.
Director



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File #: 25-3008

Agenda Date: 12/16/2025

Agenda #: 4.

AGENDA REQUEST GENERAL DISCUSSION ITEM

Subject:

Any Other New Business to Come Before the Commission.

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