

# Chairman Bruce Garstka

# TOWN OF LEDYARD CONNECTICUT

741 Colonel Ledyard Highway Ledyard, Connecticut 06339

# Agricultural Commission ~ AGENDA ~

Regular Meeting

**Tuesday, July 16, 2024** 

6:00 PM

**Town Hall Annex-Hybrid Format** 

#### REMOTE MEETING INFORMATION

**Zoom Meeting Link:** 

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87283882679?pwd=HR15mqo3EbI5GTjgNdaklVfx2TeDN7.1

Meeting ID: 872 8388 2679

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- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. CITIZENS COMMENTS
- IV. COMMENTS OF COMMISSION MEMBERS
  - 1. Comments of Commission Members.
- V. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS
  - 1. Informational items.

#### VI. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Motion to APPROVE Regular Meeting Minutes from June 18, 2024, as written.

**Attachments:** AG minutes 6-18-24

### VII. CORRESPONDENCE

1. Correspondence.

#### VIII. OLD BUSINESS

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

#### IX. NEW BUSINESS

1. Any other New Business to come before the Commission.

#### X. ADJOURNMENT

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File #: 24-0605 Agenda Date: 7/16/2024 Agenda #: 1.

# AGENDA REQUEST GENERAL DISCUSSION ITEM

**Subject:** 

Comments of Commission Members.

**Background:** 

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**Department Comment/Recommendation:** 



741 Colonel Ledyard Highway Ledyard, CT 06339-1511

File #: 24-0606 Agenda Date: 7/16/2024 Agenda #: 1.

# AGENDA REQUEST GENERAL DISCUSSION ITEM

**Subject:** 

Informational items.

**Background:** 

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**Department Comment/Recommendation:** 



741 Colonel Ledyard Highway Ledyard, CT 06339-1511

**File #:** 24-0610 **Agenda Date:** 7/16/2024 **Agenda #:** 1.

# AGENDA REQUEST GENERAL DISCUSSION ITEM

# **Subject:**

Motion to APPROVE Regular Meeting Minutes from June 18, 2024, as written.

# **Background:**

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# **Department Comment/Recommendation:**



741 Colonel Ledyard Highway Ledyard, Connecticut 06339

# **Agricultural Commission Meeting Minutes**

Chairman Bruce Garstka

### **Regular Meeting**

**Tuesday, June 18, 2024** 

6:00 PM

**Town Hall Annex-Hybrid Format** 

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Garstka at 6:00 p.m.

#### II. ROLL CALL

**Present** Farming Community Allyson Angelini

Alternate Member Steve Martic Farming Community Bruce Garstka Farming Community Russell Holmberg Farming Community Michael E. Marelli

**Excused** Community-at-Large Representative Katie Yuhas

Farming Community William Thorne

### III. CITIZENS COMMENTS

None present.

#### IV. COMMENTS OF COMMISSION MEMBERS

1. Comments of Commission Members.

Mr. Martic attended the Historic District Commission meeting and provided an update.

Mr. Marelli said that Sweet Hill Farm in Gales Ferry has approval to be developed into apartments.

Mr. Marelli said that Liz Burdick has returned to the role of Town Planner. Chairman Garstka said he would schedule an appointment to meet with her. Mr. Marelli has a meeting scheduled with her on Thursday.

**RESULT:** DISCUSSED

#### V. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

1. Informational items.

None.

#### VI. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Motion to APPROVE Regular/Joint Meeting Minutes from March 19, 2024, as written.

**RESULT:** APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

MOVER: Bruce Garstka SECONDER: Michael E. Marelli

AYE 5 Angelini Martic Garstka Holmberg Marelli

**EXCUSED** 2 Yuhas Thorne

#### VII. CORRESPONDENCE

1. Correspondence.

None.

#### VIII. OLD BUSINESS

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None.

#### IX. NEW BUSINESS

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Chairman Garstka met with Joan Nichols of the Connecticut Farm Bureau regarding putting deed restrictions on farm properties, as an option for Farmers in town. He requested a list of attorneys who are familiar with the process.

Mr. Marelli asked about updating the list of current farms in Ledyard. Chairman Garstka said that he would request the list created approximately a decade ago from Justin Dube, MIS Director.

Chairman Garstka suggested that the Commission continues dropping into other Committee meetings and visiting other farms to keep ourselves visible in the community.

The Commission agreed to keep the July meeting as scheduled and cancel it in July if there is no pressing business.

**RESULT:** DISCUSSED

#### X. ADJOURNMENT

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File #: 24-0607 Agenda Date: 7/16/2024 Agenda #: 1.

# AGENDA REQUEST GENERAL DISCUSSION ITEM

**Subject:** 

Correspondence.

**Background:** 

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**Department Comment/Recommendation:** 



741 Colonel Ledyard Highway Ledyard, CT 06339-1511

File #: 24-0608 Agenda Date: 7/16/2024 Agenda #: 1.

# AGENDA REQUEST GENERAL DISCUSSION ITEM

# **Subject:**

Any other Old Business to come before the Commission.

# **Background:**

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# **Department Comment/Recommendation:**



741 Colonel Ledyard Highway Ledyard, CT 06339-1511

File #: 24-0609 Agenda Date: 7/16/2024 Agenda #: 1.

# AGENDA REQUEST GENERAL DISCUSSION ITEM

# **Subject:**

Any other New Business to come before the Commission.

# **Background:**

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# **Department Comment/Recommendation:**