



# **TOWN OF LEDYARD**

## **Youth & Social Services Board**

### **Meeting Minutes - Draft Minutes**

741 Colonel Ledyard Highway  
Ledyard, Connecticut 06339

Chairman  
Mikayla Bozym

#### **Special Meeting**

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**Thursday, December 7, 2023**

**5:30 PM**

**Council Chambers - Hybrid Format**

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#### **REMOTE MEETING INFORMATION**

##### **Join Zoom Meeting**

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81319504439?pwd=vlSgD1ZIk5aM8jT85apn9Zm4OJQSe.1>

**Meeting ID: 813 1950 4439 Passcode: 908812**

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#### **I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Bozym called the meeting to order at 5:45 p.m. at the Council Chambers, Town Hall Annex Building.

#### **II. ROLL CALL**

**Present**      Community-at-Large Representative Maria Nott  
                    Community-at-Large Representative Charlene Rand  
                    Chairman Mikayla E. Bozym

                    Private Youth Agency Representative Lisa Smith

**Excused**      School System Representative Heather Shipley

**Absent**      Police Department Representative Dan Grimm  
                    Under Age 21 Representative Mackenzie Hope

In addition, the following were present:

Kristen Chapman - Social Services Coordinator

Kate Sikorski - Youth Services Coordinator

Karen Goetchius - Administrator Supervisor Youth Services

Town Council Chairman Rodriguez

#### **III. RESIDENTS & PROPERTY OWNERS COMMENTS**

None

#### **IV. MEMBER COMMENTS**

None

#### **V. REPORTS**

**1. Youth Services Report**

**Youth & Social Services  
Report for Ledyard Youth Services  
October 2023**

**JRB (Juvenile Review Board): 4 open cases**

- 1 case for review 11/13/23
- 2 cases for closure 11/13/23
- 1 case for case management only (open till December 2023)

**Chronically Absent Students:** LYS Supervisor met with Jodi Davis on 10/6/23 and had a discussion on support for Chronically Absent Students and community diversion.

**Counseling:****Case Load Summary**

Kate- 18

Sara-9

Allison-10

Joanne-9

**Total families: 46 active cases**

**Waiting List: 0**

**Referral Sources of current clients:**

- Parent/ Guardian referrals: 17
- Self: 5
- School referrals: 21
  - o GFS/JWL-4
  - o GHS-3
  - o LMS-6
  - o LHS-8

**Groups:**

**5 Social Skills Lunch Bunches running at GFS/JWL - 18 participants total.**

- 2- Kindergarten grp
- 1- First grade grp
- 1- Second grade grp
- 1- Third grade group

**Interns:**

- Currently have three URI MFT interns- hours are on track for completion in April 2024
- Julia Driscoll is a master's Student (Human Service and Counseling) at POST University- started 10/24/23- 600 hours in 9 months

**ARPA Funded Clinical Position:**

- Pat Frost-Associate Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist hired for up to 16

hrs./week.

· No cases currently

**Donation Fund (\$5 per office session charge)**

· Current Amount of Donations: \$106.86

**2. Social Services Report**

Report for Ledyard Social Services  
September/October

**Food Pantry Statistics**

September 2023

Total Client Visits - 79

Total # of Eligible Clients Served - 130

Unduplicated Households Served - 51

October 2023

Total Client Visits - 93

Total # of Eligible Clients Served - 146

Unduplicated Households Served - 61

Total New Clients September - 4

Total New Clients October - 6

Total New Clients 2023 YTD - 33

**Referrals** - September/October 2023

211 - 1

Elder Protective Services - 1

LICEAF - 3

State Social Services - 3

TVCCA Energy Assistance Intake - 23

TVCCA Other - 1

**Social Services Account Balances**

Linda C. Davis Food Pantry - \$106,935.67

LYS Enrichment Grant - Parks & Rec Scholarships - \$3540.82

LYS Enrichment Grant - Parks & Recreation Scholarships ARPA - \$0.00

Miscellaneous Assistance - \$4990.26

**VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. MOTION to approve the Youth & Social Services Board regular meeting minutes of September 19, 2023.

**RESULT:** APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

**MOVER:** Charlene Rand

**SECONDER:** Maria Nott

**AYE** 4 Nott Rand Bozym Smith

**EXCUSED** 1 Shipley

**ABSENT** 2 Grimm Hope

## **VII. OLD BUSINESS**

### 1. Holiday Programs - 2024

Ms. Chapman stated the Stuff-A-Cruiser event for Holiday Meals is Saturday, December 16th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Village Market. Meal bags will be available for purchase for \$20 per bag. Ms. Chapman stated she is anticipating providing 90-95 households with meals this holiday season. There are 107 children registered and matched for the Adopt-A-Family gift program.

## **VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

### 1. MOTION to approve the Youth & Social Services 2024 meeting schedule.

**RESULT:** APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

**MOVER:** Lisa Smith

**SECONDER:** Charlene Rand

**AYE** 4 Nott Rand Bozym Smith

**EXCUSED** 1 Shipley

**ABSENT** 2 Grimm Hope

## **IX. ADJOURNMENT**

Ms. Duzy moved the meeting be adjourned, seconded by Ms. Nott

The meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

VOTE: 4-0 Approved and so declared

Respectively Submitted,

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Chairman Bozym  
Youth & Social Services Board

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