



TOWN OF LEDYARD

Agricultural Commission

Meeting Minutes

741 Colonel Ledyard Highway
Ledyard, Connecticut 06339

Chairman
Bruce Garstka

Regular Meeting

Tuesday, November 19, 2024

6:00 PM

Town Hall Annex-Hybrid Format

I. CALL TO ORDER

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

II. ROLL CALL

Present Farming Community Allyson Angelini
Community-at-Large Representative Katie Yuhas
Farming Community Bruce Garstka
Farming Community Russell Holmberg
Farming Community Michael E. Marelli

Absent Farming Community William Thorne

Non-voting Alternate Member Steve Martic

Also in attendance:

Naomi Rodriguez, Town Council Chairperson

III. CITIZENS COMMENTS

None present.

IV. COMMENTS OF COMMISSION MEMBERS

1. Comments of Commission Members.

Chairman Garstka visited the LHS Agriscience Open House and was impressed with the talent of the students and the programming. He proposed the Agricultural Commission reach out to farmers with a goal of connecting students with mentors in Town.

V. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

1. Informational items.

None.

VI. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Motion to APPROVE Regular/Joint Meeting Minutes from October 15, 2024, as written.

RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

MOVER: Bruce Garstka

SECONDER: Russell Holmberg

AYE 5 Angelini Yuhas Garstka Holmberg Marelli

ABSENT 1 Thorne

VII. CORRESPONDENCE

1. Correspondence.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

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

Chairman Garstka was disappointed in the turnout at the joint meeting. He would like to encourage the Chair People of each of the Commissions/Committees to send a delegate in the future if they are unable to attend. It's a valuable opportunity for Commissions/Committees to share what they are doing and get on the same page.

RESULT: DISCUSSED

IX. NEW BUSINESS

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

Chairman Garstka made a proposal to set the next Joint Commission meeting for April. He is not canceling the meetings for the winter, but currently not planning to hold the committee meetings for December, January, and February, unless new agenda items arise. He would like the Commission members to attend a different Town meeting, with the goal of networking.

RESULT: DISCUSSED

X. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to ADJOURN the Regular Meeting at 6:07 p.m.

RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

MOVER: Bruce Garstka

SECONDER: Michael E. Marelli

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