

Mike Marelli

TOWN OF LEDYARD

741 Colonel Ledyard Highway Ledyard, Connecticut 06339

Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes

Regular Meeting

Tuesday, October 14, 2025

6:30 PM

Town Hall Annex - Hybrid Format

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting was called to order by acting Chairman Harwood at 6:30 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Present Vice Chair James Harwood

Commissioner Barbara Kil Chairperson Michael E. Marelli Commissioner Dave Cohen

Commissioner Kathleen Edgecomb Commissioner Roberta Levandoski

Excused Commissioner Betsy Graham

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

1. Public Comments.

None.

IV. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Motion to APPROVE Regular Meeting Minutes from September 9, 2025, as written.

RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

MOVER: Kathleen Edgecomb

SECONDER: Dave Cohen

AYE 6 Harwood Kil Marelli Cohen Edgecomb Levandoski

EXCUSED 1 Graham

V. CORRESPONDENCE

1. Correspondence.

None.

VI. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

1. Informational items.

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended the transfer of Kettlehole and 13 Applewood Drive on September 11, 2025, and asked the Conservation Commission to send a letter of support for the Kettlehole transfer.

Chairmen Marelli also reported that the Loftus well field may be sold by the Town.

Motion to APPROVE the submission of a letter of support for the transfer of town-owned property "Kettlehole" to Avalonia Land Conservancy.

RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

MOVER: James Harwood SECONDER: Michael E. Marelli

AYE: 6 Harwood Kil Marelli Cohen Edgecomb Levandoski

EXCUSED: 1 Graham

Motion to APPROVE the submission of a letter of support for the transfer of town-owned property at 13 Applewood Drive to Avalonia Land Conservancy.

RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

MOVER: James Harwood SECONDER: Michael E. Marelli

AYE 6 Harwood Kil Marelli Cohen Edgecomb Levandoski

EXCUSED 1 Graham

VII. OLD BUSINESS

1. Property Walks.

Chairman Marelli reported that he performed a property walk at the White-Hall Property.

B-Man Landscaping submitted an estimate to clear the field at White-Hall Park for \$1,500. Further discussion to be had later in the meeting under agenda item "Field Clearing at White-Hall property".

RESULT: DISCUSSED

2. Financial Reports.

The Commission will ask the Finance Department if the audit has been completed for the new fiscal year.

RESULT: DISCUSSED

3. Pollinator Pathways Project continued.

No updates.

4. Field Clearing at White-Hall Property.

Chairman Marelli said that B-Man has purchased a new piece of motorized equipment which is not too wide and will make clearing easier. Mr. Cohen will get a hold of B-man to get the clearing scheduled.

Motion to APPROPRIATE \$1,500 to B-Man Landscaping for mowing of upper field at White-Hall Park, using funds from the White-Hall account.

RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

MOVER: Barbara Kil

SECONDER: Roberta Levandoski

AYE 6 Harwood Kil Marelli Cohen Edgecomb Levandoski

EXCUSED 1 Graham

5. Recommendations to Burton Woods Management Plan Update.

No updates.

6. Any Other Old Business to come before the Commission.

None.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

1. Motion to APPROVE the Conservation Commission 2026 Calendar Year Meeting Schedule as written.

RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

MOVER: Kathleen Edgecomb SECONDER: Roberta Levandoski

AYE 6 Harwood Kil Marelli Cohen Edgecomb Levandoski

EXCUSED 1 Graham

2. Any Other New Business to come before the Commission.

Chairman Marelli pointed out that there is a conflict with the Commission's November meeting which falls on Veteran's Day. The Commission discussed either moving the meeting date or cancelling the meeting. It was decided to hold a vote for cancellation.

Motion to CANCEL the Conservation Commission's November 11, 2025, meeting, and to call a special meeting if needed.

RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

MOVER: Kathleen Edgecomb SECONDER: Roberta Levandoski

AYE 6 Harwood Kil Marelli Cohen Edgecomb Levandoski

EXCUSED 1 Graham

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to ADJOURN the Regular Meeting at 6:49 p.m.

RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

MOVER: Barbara Kil

SECONDER: Michael E. Marelli

AYE 6 Harwood Kil Marelli Cohen Edgecomb Levandoski

EXCUSED 1 Graham

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