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741 Colonel Ledyard Highway Ledyard, Connecticut 06339

## **Finance Committee Meeting Minutes**

#### **Regular Meeting**

Wednesday, August 6, 2025

5:00 PM

Town Hall Annex Building - Hybrid Format

#### **WORKING DRAFT**

In -Person Location: Council Chambers, Town Hall Annex Building

Remote Participation Information Noted Below:

Join Zoom Meeting from your Computer, Smart Phone or Tablet:

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84204926231?pwd=sRDaNHpRh64fsnVgF2jViuAB4nZtvp.1 Audio Only: Telephone: +1 646 558 8656; Meeting ID: 842 0492 6231; Passcode: 007089

#### I CALL TO ORDER

the Meeting was called to order by Committee Chairman Councilor Saccone at 5:00 p.m. at the Council Chambers Town Hall Annex Building.

Councilor Saccone welcomed all to the Hybrid Meeting. He stated for the Town Council Finance Committee and members of the Public who were participating via video conference that the remote meeting information was available on the Agenda that was posted on the Town's Website - Granicus-Legistar Meeting Portal.

#### II. ROLL CALL

**Present:** Tony Saccone

Jessica Buhle Tim Ryan

In addition, the following were present:

Mayor Fred Allyn, III Director of Emergency Management Jim Mann Administrative Assistant Roxanne Maher

#### III. RESIDENTS & PROPERTY OWNERS COMMENTS

#### IV. PRESENTATIONS / INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

#### V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION to approve the Finance Committee Minutes of June 18, 2025

- VI. Finance Director's Report Fiscal Year 2025-2026
- VII. Financial Reports Fiscal Year 2025-2026

#### VIII. OLD BUSINESS

1. Discussion regarding potential uses for the funding received from the National Opioid Settlement Payments.

Mayor Allyn, III mentioned that the Grant Funding that has supported the Ledge Light Health District Ledyard Prevention Coalition would be ending around September 30, 2025. He stated that Senior Health Program Coordinator Kerenza Mansfield would like to attend the Finance Committee's September 3, 2025 meeting to present a proposal and request support from the National Opioid Settlement Funding to help the Ledyard Prevention Coalition to continue their programs and activities related to the Opioid Prevention, Recovery, Wellness Programs and. Narcan training; as well as provide Narcan Emergency Kits.

He sated at their September 27, 2023 meeting the Ledyard Town Council allocated \$36,100 to the Ledyard Prevention Coalition; and he noted that funding has also been allocated to Community Speaks Out (October 23, 2024 - \$10,000) and Connecticut Recovery Support (January 15, 2025 - \$10,000).

Councilor Saccone questioned whether the Ledyard Prevention Coalition has been providing reports. Mayor Allyn stated that Ms. Mansfield provides Reports at their monthly meetings and that he would ask that she provide the reports when she attends the September 3, 2025 Finance Committee meeting.

- 2. Continued discussion regarding the status and possible changes to Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) and Capital Non-Recurring (CNR) Fund based on the American Rescue Act Funding (ARPA) and the process to approve ARPA Projects and expend ARPA Funding.
- 3. Continued discussion regarding upcoming potential Grant Opportunities.

Councilor Buhle provided an update on Ledyard's Grant Application *COPS Law Enforcement Technology and Equipment Grant* Application in the amount of up-to \$240,000; which the Town Council approved to resubmit under the 2025 Congressionally Directed Spending initiative at their April 17, 2025 meeting. She noted that once again their Grant Application has been approved by Appropriations Committee and that they were waiting for final approval through Congress.

Councilor Saccone questioned what these funds would be used for. Councilor Buhle stated the COPS Law Enforcement Technology and Equipment Grant would be used to purchase

equipment would modernize and increase the functionality of software that allowes them to maintain the records for the Police Department, Dispatch, and their Police Officers. He stated the upgraded software would include enhanced mapping capabilities, and would give them the ability to go back into historical data for investigative purposes.

**4.** Discussion scheduling Regular Quarterly Joint Finance Committee Meetings between the Town Council and Board of Education.

Councilor Saccone noted that due to Board of Education Contract Negotiations that the Joint Meeting that was previously scheduled for August 19, 2025 has been moved to August 20, 2025. He stated that the Joint Meeting would be in place of the Finance Committee's Regular Meeting.

5. Any Old Business proper to come before the Committee.

None.

#### IX. NEW BUSINESS

1. MOTION to appropriate \$10,000 to Account #21020301-57300-G0015 (Fire Marshall - New Equipment - State Grant).

In addition, authorize the expenditure of up to \$10,000 to complete the upgrade to the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) for Emergency Management.

The funding source for this project is the Town of Ledyard's FY 2026 Nuclear Safety Emergency Program Funding Allocation.

Moved by Councilor Buhle, seconded by Councilor Ryan

**VOTE: 3 - 0 Approved and so declared** 

**RESULT:** RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL

MOVER: Jessica Buhle SECONDER: Tim Ryan

**AYE:** 3 Saccone, Buhle and Ryan

2. MOTION to recommend Mayor Fred B. Allyn III execute "Standard Fast Track and Study Process Generator Interconnection Agreement" and "Contingent Approval for INT-109249" between The Connecticut Light and Power Company d/b/a Eversource Energy for INT-109249 - Juliet Long School\_Ledyard Board of Education.

Moved by Councilor Ryan, seconded by Councilor Buhel

**VOTE: 3 - 0 Approved and so declared** 

**RESULT:** RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL

MOVER: Tim Ryan SECONDER: Jessica Buhle

**3.** MOTION to approve Standing Bid Waivers as follows:

- Vendors included in the Town of Ledyard Standing Bid Waiver List for FY 25/26,
- · Capital Region Purchasing Council Bids,
- · State of Connecticut bids,
- · Other states' bids, purchasing cooperatives (i.e. Sourcewell) , and federal government bids.

Moved by Councilor Buhle, seconded by Councilor Ryan

**VOTE: 3 - 0 Approved and so declared** 

**RESULT:** RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL

MOVER: Jessica Buhle **SECONDER:** Tim Ryan

4. Any New Business proper to come before the Committee None.

#### X. ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Saccone moved the meeting be adjourned, seconded by Councilor Buhel **VOTE:** 3 - 0 Approved and so declared, the meeting was adjourned at 5:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Anthony Saccone, Sr. Committee Chairman

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Committee

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