Roxanne Maher

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Sent: Tuesday, May 27, 2025 3:24 PM **To:** Roxanne Maher; Fred Allyn, III

Subject: Ledyard General Government Finance Director

This note is in support of the raise that was proposed in the original budget for Ledyard's Finance Director Matthew Bonin.

As a former auditor and CPA, Matt has served Ledyard well, even while substantially underpaid. In my experience, he has done an excellent job for the Town and has saved us millions through his due diligence with the Town's interest bearing accounts.

If the Council decides to cut his originally proposed raise in the new budget, I believe we will lose Mr. Bonin to another town, and when we do, Ledyard will pay its next finance director more than the salary originally proposed in this year's budget.

This small raise will not affect the budget vote either way, but will affect the taxpayers in the coming year as the Town searches for a replacement.

I respectfully request that you preserve Mr. Bonin's increase in the new budget proposal.

-Bill Saums

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