



TOWN OF LEDYARD
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LEDYARD FARMERS' MARKET COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING

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Chairman Pamela Ball

HYBRID FORMAT
~ MINUTES~

Wednesday, October 1, 2025

5:30 PM

Annex Meeting Room- Annex Building

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I. CALL TO ORDER – The Meeting was called to order by Committee Chairman Pamela Ball at 5:30 p.m.

Chairman Ball welcomed all to the Video Conference Meeting; and she noted that the remote meeting information for the Farmers Market Committee and members of the Public to participate in tonight's meeting was available on the Agenda that was posted on the Town's Website - Granicus-Legistar Meeting Portal.

II. ROLL CALL –

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Location	Arrived	Departed
Pamela Ball	Chairman Pro-tem/Manager	Present	In-Person	5:30 pm	6:16 pm
Ellin Grenger	Committee Member	Absent			
Sarah Martic	Recording Secretary	Present	Remote	5:30 pm	6:16 pm
Bill Thorne	Alternate Member/Treasurer	Present	In-Person	5:30 pm	6:16 pm
Allison Troy	Committee Member	Present	Remote	5:30 pm	6:16 pm
Ethan Foltz	Committee Member	Present	Remote	5:30 pm	6:16 pm

Alternate Member Mr. Bill Thorne was seated as a Regular Member.

III. RESIDENTS & PROPERTY OWNERS COMMENTS -

IV. PRESENTATIONS

Eagle Scout Michael attending remotely via Zoom, proposed an Eagle Scout project to help the Farmers Market by making improvements to the Storage Shed which would include installing new shelving, rodent proofing, repainting, portable power supply and trash can covers. Ms. Ball would work with Michael to coordinate time and to provide Michael access to the Storage Shed.

V. MEMBER COMMENTS

Mr. Foltz suggested the Farmers Market Committee discuss extending the dates of the Market for the 2026 Season. The Committee agreed to defer this discussion to a meeting when all members of the Committee were present.

The Farmers Market Committee expressed a Huge Thank You to the Town and to the Parks & Recreation Commission for their support during the year.

Ms. Ball noted that the Farmers Market Website would be updated to thank everyone for a Great 2025 Season. She also noted that the newsletter would be sent and that posts would be created on their Social Media site.

VI. TREASURER REPORT

- Year to Date Report – September 25, 2025
- Purchase Orders Report – September 25, 2025

Treasurer Mr. Thorne reviewed the Financial Reports noting the Total Munis Balance was in the amount of \$31,175.33.

The Committee discussed looking into creating a Venmo Account; which was an on-line App that would allow them to send and receive money, pay bills, etc.

VII. MARKET MANAGER REPORT

Market Manager/Chairman Ball suggested the Farmers Market Committee look into getting a computer, printer, and ink for the volunteer members serving on the Farmers Market Committee would not be using their personal computers to conduct the business of the Farmers Market.

Ms. Ball went on to explain that the Farmers Market Google drive was half full and that they would need to update it for more storage. She also commented on the Drop Box and 3x media.

VIII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION to approve the following Farmers Market Committee Minutes

- Regular Meeting Minutes May 7, 2025
- Regular Meeting Minutes June 5, 2025

Moved by Ms. Martic, seconded by Ms. Ball

VOTE: 5 – 0 Approved and so declared

IX. OLD BUSINESS

1. Review and Close Out the 2025 Summer Market.

- MOTION to make a \$400.000 donation to the Ledyard Rotary.

Moved by Ms. Ball, seconded by Ms. Martic

Discussion: Ms. Ball noted that the Rotary was scheduled for two Markets. However, she stated that they did three Markets, due to a Musician not being able to perform at the last minute, noting that the Rotary filled-in doing three performances for the season. She stated in-lieu of payment that the Farmers Market has been making a donation to the Ledyard Rotary.

VOTE: 5 – 0 Approved and so declared

RESULT: APPROVED 5 – 0**MOVER:** Pam Ball, Committee Chairman**SECONDER:** Sarah Martic, Recording Secretary**AYES:** Pam Ball, Ethan Foltz, Sarah Martic, Allisson Troy, Bill Thorne**EXCUSED:** Ellin Grenger

- MOTION to make a \$250.000 donation in the form of an Amazon Gift Card to Paula Watkins.

Moved by Ms. Ball, seconded by Ms. Troy

Discussion: Ms. Ball noted the significant amount of time Ms. Watkins gave to the Market volunteering at the Market and in doing all social media content for the Season. To recognize and thank Ms. Watkins the Farmers Market agreed to make a donation.

VOTE: 5 - 0 Approved and so declared

RESULT: APPROVED 5 – 0**MOVER:** Pam Ball, Committee Chairman**SECONDER:** Allison Troy, Committee Member**AYES:** Pam Ball, Ethan Foltz, Sarah Martic, Allisson Troy, Bill Thorne**EXCUSED:** Ellin Grenger

- MOTION to make a \$100.00 donation to Guiding Eyes for the Blind.

Moved by Ms. Troy, seconded by Ms. Ball

Discussion: Ms. Troy noted the significant amount of time that Lauren & Dune Rugh volunteered to help the Market this Season. To recognize and thank Lauren & Dune Rugh for their efforts the Farmers Market Committee would be making \$100.00 donation to Guiding Eyes, noting that this was a non-profit Organization that Lauren & Dune Rugh supported.

VOTE: 5 - 0 Approved and so declared

RESULT: APPROVED 5 – 0**MOVER:** Allison Troy, Committee Member**SECONDER:** Pam Ball, Committee Chairman**AYES:** Pam Ball, Ethan Foltz, Sarah Martic, Allisson Troy, Bill Thorne**EXCUSED:** Ellin Grenger

2. MOTION to approve the Ledyard Farmers Market Committee Meeting Schedule for 2026 as presented in the draft dated September 25, 2025 as noted below:

2026 CALENDAR MEETING SCHEDULELedyard Farmers' Market Committee first ***Wednesday*** at 5:30 p.m. Town Hall Annex BuildingJanuary 7
October 7February 4
November 4March 4
December 2April 1
January 6 , 2027

May 6

June 4

July 2

August 6

September 3

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Denotes meeting cancelled due to holiday

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Denotes regular meeting date scheduled is different from regular schedule

Moved by Ms. Ball, seconded by Ms. Martic

Discussion: Ms. Ball noted that during the winter months the Committee would be meeting on the first Wednesday of the month; and once the Market opened in June the Committee would be meeting on the first Thursday of the month.

VOTE: 5 – 0 Approved and so declared

RESULT: APPROVED 5 – 0

MOVER: Pam Ball, Committee Chairman

SECONDER: Sarah Martic, Recording Secretary

AYES: Pam Ball, Ethan Foltz, Ellin Grenger, Sarah Martic, Allisson Troy

EXCUSED:

3. Discussion regarding Committee Member Terms.

The Farmers Market Committee reviewed when each of the members terms would be due for renewal, noting that two members would come due in 2026.

RESULT: DISCUSSED

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

XII. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION to adjourn the meeting at 6:16 p.m.

Moved by Mr. Thorne, seconded by Ms. Ball

VOTE: 5- 0 Approved and so declared

Respectfully submitted,
Pamela Ball
Committee Chairman