



TOWN OF LEDYARD

741 Colonel Ledyard Highway
Ledyard, Connecticut 06339

Community Relations Committee For Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Meeting Minutes

Chairman S. Naomi
Rodriguez

Regular Meeting

Wednesday, October 16, 2024

6:30 PM

Town Hall Annex - Hybrid Format

WORKING DRAFT

In -Person: Council Chambers, Town Hall Annex Building

Remote Participation: Information Noted Below:

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I CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

Present: April Brunelle
Gary St. Vil

Excused: Gary Paul

In addition, the following were present:

S. Naomi Rodriguez, Town Council Chairman
Roxanne Maher, Administrative Assistant

III. RESIDENTS & PROPERTY OWNERS COMMENTS

IV. PRESENTATIONS / INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION to approve the Community Relations Committee for Diversity, Equity & Inclusion's Regular Meeting Minutes of September 18, 2024.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

1. Continued discussion and possible action draft a schedule for Public Information Forums to

present to residents the types of services the town offers; how to access services and the authority residents should direct concerns regarding services.

2. Continued discussion and possible action to identify various town venues to host “Informal Conversations in the Park” to engage residents in discussions regarding their concerns and their ideas for potential solutions
 - Long Pond on Lantern Hill Road (Showcase the Lantern Hill Waterfront Park, (2) Provide some history regarding Long Pond; (3) Provide information regarding the importance of preventing invasive plants from being transferred from different bodies of water, and (3) Engage residents)
 - Winthrop Park near the Gales Ferry Community Center (Town Council April 10, 2024 meeting Mr. Kelly expressed concerns regarding the tennis courts, pickle ball courts, engage residents etc.).
3. Discussion regarding ideas to increase communication/transparency with residents.
 - Ms. Beth Ribe, Governance Training Proposal
4. Discuss starting a relationship with the Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Council to help foster communication and mutual points of interest.
5. Research Community Organizations that provide Opioid and Substance Abuse Disorder, Recovery, and Prevention Programs relative to the use of the Opioid Settlement Funding.
6. Any other Old Business proper to come before the Committee

VII. NEW BUSINESS

1. MOTION to set the Community Relations Committee for Diversity, Equity & Inclusion’s 2025 Regular Meeting schedule.
2. Any other New Business proper to come before the Committee.

IV ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

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