



TOWN OF LEDYARD CONNECTICUT

741 Colonel Ledyard Highway
Ledyard, Connecticut 06339

Land Use/Planning/Public Works Committee

~ AGENDA ~

Chairman
Kevin J. Dombrowski

Regular Meeting

Monday, February 6, 2023

6:00 PM

Town Hall Annex - Hybrid Format

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

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- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. RESIDENTS & PROPERTY OWNERS COMMENTS
- IV. PRESENTATIONS / INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Water Pollution Control Authority e-mail dated January 25, 2023 re: Response to Southeastern Connecticut Water Authority (SCWA) Chairman January 19, 2023 Report pertaining to a requested 150-foot radius easement around the SCWA well that would come onto town property where the Route 117 Ledyard Center Water Storage Tank was located.

Attachments: [Water Pollution Control Authority \(WPCA\) e-mail to SCWA-2023-01-.pdf](#)
[Southeastern CT Water Authority \(SCWA\) Chairman Report-2023-01-19.pdf](#)

- V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION to approve the Land Use/Planning/Public Works Committee Regular Meeting Minutes of January 9, 2023

Attachments: [LUPPW-MIN-2022-01-09.pdf](#)

- VI. OLD BUSINESS

- 1. Continued discussion and possible action to periodically review the list of town owned property; and update accordingly for the "Assignment of Administrative Control".

Attachments: [ADMIN CONTROL TOWN OWN LAND -Appendix B -2022-03-07.xlsx](#)

2. Continued discussion regarding the progress of enforcing regulations to address blight issues.

Attachments: [ORD-300-012-rev-1-Blight-Ordinance-and-Public-Nuisance-for-the-Town-of-Ledyard.pdf](#)

3. Status update regarding security and safety concerns regarding Park on East Drive

Attachments: [East Drive Park-Jamieson -Saums e-mail Thread-2022-09-27.pdf](#)
[East Drive Park-Jamieson e-mail-2022-09-20.pdf](#)
[EAST DRIVE -Color-FLYER-NEWS PAPER-2022-07-20.pdf](#)
[East Drive Park-Informal Conversation 2022-07-20-Community Relations ltr dated 2022-07-02 to Residents-A.pdf](#)

4. Discussion regarding the appropriate mechanism to provide information to residents pertaining to the structure and operation of land use processes in the Town of Ledyard.
5. Any other Old Business proper to come before the Committee.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussion regarding the Conservation Commission's interest to purchase a parcel for open space.
2. Any other New Business proper to come before the Committee.

IV ADJOURNMENT

DISCLAIMER: Although we try to be timely and accurate these are not official records of the Town.



File #: 23-1150

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AGENDA ITEM
CORRESPONDENCE

Subject:

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Correspondence Background:

Water Pollution Control Authority e-mail dated January 25, 2023 - Joint Meeting between WPCA and SCWA.

Town Council 1/25/2023 Meeting;

During Councilor Saums WPCA Liaison Report he noted the following:

Southeastern Connecticut Water Authority (SCWA) Request - The WPCA reviewed and discussed a request from SCWA in which they talked about a new SCWA Ledyard Division Well that would be located across the street from the Ledyard Center Water Storage Tank. Councilor Saums read an excerpt from the SCWA Chairman's Report as follows:

“...B. Upgrades at the Ledyard Pump Station and Spicer Hill Booster Station

This project includes installation of variable frequency pumps (VFDs) at the Ledyard Pump Station and the Spicer Hill Booster Station, which is part of the Ledyard distribution system. This project also includes the elimination of the hydropneumatic pressure tanks at both stations, which is a top priority for DPH. SCWA intended to request bids in August, but unfortunately, the pump manufacturer stated there is now a 6-month lead time for delivery of the VFD packages. Based on long-lead times for delivery, and escalating prices for the VFDs, SCWA plans to install the pumps using in-house labor in the spring, with the assistance of a certified plumber and electrician.

C. New Well at Ledyard Division

During the drought last summer SCWA realized an additional well is necessary at the Ledyard pump station because the summer usage was averaging between 30 to 40 thousand gallons/day. 40,000 gallons/day is the maximum allowable yield of the two existing wells at Ledyard Division. The application for a new well was submitted to the Department of Public Health (DPH) in September and SCWA received approval in November. SCWA is now working with the Town of Ledyard to obtain an easement because the State requires that SCWA control a 150-foot radius around each well.

Councilor Saums stated the required 150-foot radius around the SCWA well would come onto town property where the Route 117 Ledyard Center Water Storage Tank was located. Therefore, he stated the question was why the Department of Public Health (DPH) would approve an expansion of SCWA's existing failing well in the shadow of Ledyard's Water Storage Tank.

D. Tower Division Upgrades

The project to replace the original water main leading from the Tower Division pump stations to the main distribution located on East Drive was completed in December 2022. Throughout the two-week project water was provided through the backup water main, completed in 2021, using the trailer mounted mobile pump station constructed several years ago.

Councilor Saums went on to note in their report, SCWA stated that they were working with the Town of Ledyard to request a 150-foot radius easement over Town-owned property to support a new well for their Ledyard Center system. He stated the WPCA discussed, and

then approved a motion to recommend that the Town Council disapprove SCWA request for an easement over Town land, which would include the Route 117 Water Storage Tank in Ledyard Center. He stated the WPCA noted multiple reasons for their recommendation to deny SCWA's easement request as follows: (a) SCWA already had an interconnection with WPCA to purchase water to sell to their customer; (b) SCWA has never cooperated with WPCA on exclusive service area requests, (c) Because Ledyard's WPCA's system has better capability to serve future development in the area, (d) The WPCA did not see any point in expanding a system with such limited capabilities; (e) SCWA customers in Ledyard experience frequent water supply issues, (f) SCWA repeatedly excavates town roads - including newly paved roads - to repair leaks on a regular basis, and has not reinvested enough ratepayer funds to replace its aging water mains, which the WPCA believes would be a better use of SCWA's customers' money.

Mayor Allyn noted Councilor Saums' WPCA Report in which he referred to a SCWA Report that stated "*SCWA was working with the Town of Ledyard to request a 150-foot radius easement over Town-owned property to support a new well for their Ledyard Center system.*" Mayor Allyn stated that he wanted to clarify this statement noting that he has never had any communication with SCWA regarding an easement area, not written, not verbal, not in-person, nothing. He stated he did not know where this statement was coming from, but that it was not based in fact. He stated if he does receive any communications from SCWA regarding this subject that he would let the Town Council know.

Roxanne Maher

From: Roxanne Maher
Sent: Thursday, January 26, 2023 8:43 AM
To: Town Council Group
Subject: FW: SCWA well proposal in Ledyard Center
Attachments: Chairman's Report 1.19.23.pdf

Roxanne M. Maher



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the Ledyard Town Council
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council@ledyardct.org*

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From: Mathieu, Lori <Lori.Mathieu@ct.gov>
Sent: Thursday, January 26, 2023 1:17 AM
To: William Saums <WSaums@ledyardct.org>; water pollution control authority <wpc.ledyard@ledyardct.org>
Cc: Fred Allyn, III <mayor@ledyardct.org>; Roxanne Maher <council@ledyardct.org>; Smith, Mandy <Mandy.Smith@ct.gov>; Mcphee, Eric <Eric.Mcphee@ct.gov>
Subject: Re: SCWA well proposal in Ledyard Center

thank you Ed, appreciate your reach out. I am copying Eric Mcphee and Mandy Smith who can work to provide information and assistance. Believe that a meeting would be good for us to get together and share our information.

Lori J. Mathieu, Public Health Branch Chief
Environmental Health & Drinking Water Branch
Connecticut Department of Public Health
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DPH 24 hour emergency reporting line: 860-509-8000
web-site: www.ct.gov/dph/publicdrinkingwater

From: William Saums <WSaums@ledyardct.org>
Sent: Wednesday, January 25, 2023 5:40 PM
To: water pollution control authority <wpc.ledyard@ledyardct.org>; Mathieu, Lori <Lori.Mathieu@ct.gov>
Cc: Fred Allyn, III <mayer@ledyardct.org>; Roxanne Maher <council@ledyardct.org>
Subject: RE: SCWA well proposal in Ledyard Center

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Attaching a copy of the SCWA Chairman's Report, which is the source of the information the WPCA was given. I've been the Town Council liaison to the WPCA for more than 15 years, and I fully support Chairman Lynch's concerns.

-Bill Saums
(O) 1-860-572-7181
(M) 1-401-225-5362

From: water pollution control authority <wpc.ledyard@ledyardct.org>
Sent: Wednesday, January 25, 2023 12:25 PM
To: lori.mathieu@ct.gov
Cc: William Saums <WSaums@ledyardct.org>
Subject: SCWA well proposal in Ledyard Center

Good morning Lori:

I don't know if you remember me and I am not sure if you are the right person to address this to, but I am confident that you will know the person(s) that can help us here.

As chairperson of the Ledyard WPCA, I was surprised to learn that the Department of Health granted a conditional permit to Southeastern Connecticut Water Authority to drill a well in Ledyard Center. The reason is that you were instrumental in encouraging water interconnects in the event that emergencies and (I am assuming) for other contingencies when a well or other small water systems fail. The requested well permit has such a system already connected to it - we (Ledyard WPCA / GU) installed an interconnect several years ago and can adequately supply water - as a matter of fact we have done so in the past validating the viability of the interconnect.

The condition that DPH put on the well requires a 150-foot radius easement. The Ledyard WPCA commissioners voted last night to recommend to the town council that such a request be denied for the following reasons:

1. There presently is an interconnect that allows us to supply GU water to the system.
2. The proposed well cannot adequately supply the required pressure for future development in Ledyard Center for fire suppression systems or volume for hydrants
3. SCWA does not own the land and the restriction for land use would restrict the owner use of the land easement.
4. Sewer is being planned for Ledyard center and dual water suppliers greatly complicate billing.

I suppose I could go on and on with these points, but I think the idea has been made that granting a well permit to address a failed well in the area makes no sense to us.

I guess my question is where do we go from here? I suppose if the condition has not been met then no well permit would be granted, but I think a more definitive approach would be better for all parties involved. The mayor has been kept up to date on the developments.

I appreciate your attention in this matter.

Sincerely,

Ed Lynch, WPCA
Mobile 646-732-9224

**Southeastern Connecticut Water Authority
Chairman's Report to the Representative Advisory Board**

January 19, 2023

I. Operational Activities

A. Seven Oaks/Montville Interconnection Project

This project will complete the interconnection between Seven Oaks and Montville divisions. This past July the owners of the property (100 Waterfall LLC) agreed to an easement for the proposed water main interconnection across their property. They plan on constructing a housing development on this property in the next few years. The proposed water main connection route and grading design was completed by Lenard Engineering in August, and they are currently working on the engineering design/specs, easement maps, and wetlands permits. Seventy-five percent of the construction costs will be funded from the Federal Infrastructure Aid Bill, and the State Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF). SCWA hopes to receive project approval by next spring and award the project next summer.

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II. Administrative Activities

A. Fiscal Year 2021 Annual Audit

Hoyt, Filippetti & Malaghan, LLC conducted their initial audit visit of SCWA in mid-September, and their final visit on November 1st. They will present their audit findings to the Representative Advisory Board (RAB) Finance Committee and the Authority prior to the January 2023 RAB meeting. They will have a representative available to answer questions during the Finance Committee's presentation.

B. Partnership with Regional Water Authority (RWA) in Pipesafe Program

In March 2022 the Authority signed an agreement with the South Central Regional Water Authority (RWA) to enter into a partnership in their service line protection program, which is called PipeSafe. This partnership allows RWA to enroll SCWA customers in the PipeSafe program, and in exchange SCWA receives a percentage of the monthly fees charged our customers. Although the original implementation was scheduled for mid-November, RWA did not begin mailing PipeSafe brochures to our customers until late December due to a delay rolling-out of new rates, and problems inputting the SCWA customer base into the PipeSafe potential customer base. Distribution of the PipeSafe brochures should be completed by the middle of January.

III. Planning Activities

A. Oakdale Heights Subdivision (Montville)

Oakdale Heights is a 219-home subdivision in Montville that has been operating its own water system since the subdivision was developed in the mid-1960's. Due to the pending retirement of their certified operator, and several active HOA board members, the Oakdale Heights subdivision Homeowners Association (HOA) has expressed interest in either selling or turning over full-time operation to another certified operator or utility. At the December meeting the Authority authorized the General Manager to explore this opportunity further.

In late December the General Manager and SCWA Foreman/Chief Certified Operator conducted an on-site visit of the Oakdale Heights water system with the chair of their HOA water committee. Their system consists of two fully operational pump houses, with a total of 5 wells, and 2.5 miles of distribution main. There is one emergency generator that can run both pump stations if needed. During the on-site visit the General Manager informed the HOA Water Committee Chair that the Authority probably does not have any interest in purchasing the system, but might be interested in taking over and running the system, as SCWA has done at other subdivisions over the years.

After a lengthy discussion of the risks and benefits of taking over the Oakdale Heights water system at their January meeting, the Authority voted to open discussions and work towards an agreement to take over the water system. The Authority agreed that the first step should be for the General Manager to reach out to SCWA legal counsel for assistance and guidance, which he has done.

B. Green Village – Salem

In 2020 SCWA signed an agreement to take over as the owner/operator of the pumphouse and water distribution system at the new Green Village development in Salem once it is completed. Green Village is a 55 and over community with 48 townhouse units, each unit with individual meters. After multiple delays involving water quality and quantity in the wells, DPH finally granted approval of the system in November 2022. Final approval was contingent on installation of a treatment system, which has been completed. Currently there are 14 units occupied.

C. Construction of Millwood Subdivision (part of Hillcrest Division) in Montville

Sun Communities, Inc. is continuing construction of the new Millwood development, adjacent to their Hillcrest subdivision in Montville. The Millwood development will have 46 modular homes for people aged 55 and over, and will tie into the existing Hillcrest water distribution system. The first fourteen homes have been sold, and several more homes are nearing completion.

D. PFAS (Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances)

SCWA continues to monitor new guidelines and regulations pertaining to PFAS (Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances). The State DPH has still not established Maximum Contaminant Levels (MCL) for PFAS in drinking water, but they are encouraging all public water systems to test for PFAS. In August the EPA officially designated two PFAS substances, perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) and perfluorooctanesulfonic acid (PFOS), as hazardous substances under Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA). In December the General Manager attended a virtual meeting hosted by the Connecticut Interagency PFAS Task Force.

E. Regional Considerations

- 1) Drought Update:** In November the State's Interagency Drought Workgroup (IDW) reduced all eight Connecticut counties to Drought Stage 1 (Below Normal Conditions). This month the IDW removed all counties out of any Drought Stages.
- 2) Water Utility Coordinating Committee (WUCC):** The Eastern Connecticut Water Utility Coordinating Committee (WUCC) and the Statewide WUCC both last met on November 16, 2022. Currently the Statewide WUCC is trying to address several topics involving interconnections/regionalization, non-community water systems design requirements, conservation/drought, and the process requiring non-community systems to connect to existing community water systems.
- 3) SCWA Interaction with Southeastern Connecticut Council of Governments (SCCOG):** SCWA and the SCCOG continue to interact cooperatively. The General Manager participates on the SCCOG Regional Water Committee's Technical Advisory Subcommittee (TAS).
- 4) SCWA Interaction with the WPC and CWWA:** The General Manager is a member of the CT Water Planning Council Advisory Group (WPCAG), which meets monthly. He also represents SCWA as a member of the Connecticut Water Works Association (CWWA) Legislative Affairs Committee.

Edward C. Monahan, Chairman
Southeastern Connecticut Water Authority



TOWN OF LEDYARD

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MINUTES

Minutes:

MOTION to approve the Land Use/Planning/Public Works Committee Regular Meeting Minutes of January 9, 2023



TOWN OF LEDYARD
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 Ledyard, CT 06339

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Chairman Kevin J. Dombrowski

MINUTES
LAND USE/PLANNING/PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE –
SPECIAL MEETING

Monday, January 9, 2023

6:00 PM

Town Hall Annex Building

DRAFT

- I. CALL TO ORDER – The meeting was called to order by Councilor Paul at 6:00 p.m. at the Council Chambers, Town Hall Annex Building.

Councilor Paul welcomed all to the Hybrid Meeting. He stated for the Town Council Land Use/Planning/Public Works 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 –

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Location	Arrived	Departed
Gary Paul	Committee Chairman	Present	In-Person	6:00 pm	6:34 pm
John Marshall	Town Councilor	Present	Remote	6:00 pm	6:34 pm
S. Naomi Rodriguez	Town Councilor	Present	In-Person	6:00 pm	6:34 pm
Kevin Dombrowski	Chairman	Present	In-Person	6:00 pm	6:34 pm
Fred Allyn, III	Mayor	Present	In-Person	6:00 pm	6:34 pm
Michael Marelli	Conservation Commission Chairman	Present	In-Person	6:00 pm	6:34 pm
Roxanne Maher	Administrative Assistant	Present	Remote	6:00 pm	6:34 pm

- III. CITIZENS' PETITIONS – None.

- IV. PRESENTATIONS/INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- 1. Conservation Commission 2022 Open Space Acquisition Plan

Mr. Michael Marelli, 4 Lee Brook Drive, Ledyard, Conservation Commission Chairman, explained the *2022 Open Space Acquisition Plan* was drafted as a guiding document for future planning purposes and to apply for and receive Grant Funding. He stated the Plan has targeted properties that would be good to acquire for open space connectivity, wildlife preservation, passive recreation, etc. He stated that he has also shared Ledyard’s Conservation Commission’s *2022 Open Space Acquisition Plan* with the City of Groton Conservation Commission. He noted Groton’s Conservation Commission Chairman Richard Palmieri contacted him to discuss the two Commissions working together because much of Groton’s Plan and Ledyard’s Plan mesh together. He stated the two Conservation Commissions would plan a joint meeting in the future.

Councilor Rodriguez stated in reading the Conservation Commission *2022 Open Space Acquisition Plan* that she was impressed with the detail, historical background and future goals it provided.

Chairman Dombrowski suggested the Conservation Commission forward the *2022 Open Space Acquisition Plan* to the Planning & Zoning Commission to be included in the next amendment of the Plan of Conservation and Development (POCD). He stated by including the *2022 Open Space Acquisition Plan* in the POCD that it would then become the “*Town’s Plan*”.

Mr. Marelli stated the Open Space Acquisition Plan should be incorporated into the POCD. He stated the Conservation Commission sent the Plan to all of the Town’s Land Use Commissions/Departments, which included the Agricultural Commission, Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission, Parks and Recreation Commission and the Planning & Zoning Commission, so that everyone would be aware of what the Conservation Commission was thinking about. He stated the Conservation Commission was hopeful that in making land use decisions that Ledyard’s other Land Use Commissions would take the Conservation Commission’s goals into consideration.

RESULT: DISCUSSED /COMPLETED

- 2. Mr. Love e-mail dated 1/5/2023 re: Baseball/Softball Complex

Councilor Rodriguez stated that she liked Mr. Love’s idea. However, she questioned how the proposed Baseball/Softball Complex would be paid for.

Chairman Dombrowski questioned where the proposed Baseball/Softball Complex would be located.

RESULT: DISCUSSED/COMPLETED

- 3. Mr. Fagin e-mail dated 1/9/2023 re: Support Bush Pond Lease between Grahams and Town

RESULT: RECEIVED

- 4. Agricultural Commission memo dated January 5, 2023 inviting Land Use Departments/ Commissions to their March 21, 2023 meeting to continue the Joint Discussion they began on October 18, 2022 regarding land use mutual goals.

Councilor Rodriguez suggested the Conservation Commission make their *2022 Open Space Acquisition Plan* available for discussion at the Agricultural Commission’s March 21, 2023 meeting. She noted that the Agricultural Commission has invited a number of the Town’s Land Use Commissions to their March 23, 2023 to continue their discussion regarding mutual goals and she suggested the Conservation Commission make their *2022 Open Space Acquisition Plan* available for discussion at that meeting, noting the purpose of these types of joint meetings was communicate things such as the Conservation Commission’s *2022 Open Space Acquisition Plan*.

- V. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES

MOTION to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of December 5, 2022
Moved by Councilor Rodriguez, seconded by Councilor Marshall

VOTE: 3 - 0 Approved and so declared

VI. OLD BUSINESS

1. No Action on the Town-owned property; and update accordingly for the “Assignment of Administrative Control of Town-Owned and Town-Leased Property”.

Councilor Rodriguez stated Land Use Director Juliet Hodge was on vacation, but that she would contact her next week to check on the status of the completion of the Geographic Information System (GIS) Update.

RESULT: NO ACTION

Next Meeting: 02/06/2023 6:00 p.m.

2. Enforcement of regulations to address blight issues.

Councilor Paul stated the purpose of keeping the regulations to address blight issues on the Committee’s Agenda was to monitor how effective Ordinance #300-012 (rev 1) was; and to see if the Ordinance needed to be adjusted.

Mayor Allyn, III, stated he thought the provisions provided in Ordinance #300-012 (rev 1) were effective. He stated Zoning Enforcement Officer/Blight Officer John Herring retired on December 31, 2022 and that the town was actively working to fill the position. He stated prior to his resignation Mr. Herring issued a numberer of *Notice of Blight Violations*. He stated some of the violations were substantial and that a number of properties have come into compliance. However, he stated that there were still some properties that required a lot of work for them to come into compliance.

Councilor Rodriguez addressed the time to hire a new Zoning Enforcement Officer and she questioned during the interim whether Mr. Mike Cherry would be willing to once again step-in as the Interim Zoning Enforcement Officer.

Mayor Allyn explained that Zoning Enforcement Officer/Blight Officer John Herring retired a little earlier than he had initially planned too was because the State passed Legislation that required all Zoning Enforcement Officers to be Connecticut Association of Zoning Enforcement (CAZEO) Certified by January 1, 2023. He stated although Mr. Herring was not CAZEO Certified that he was very good and knew the job. He went on to explain CAZEO was a 100% Volunteer Organization and that CAZEO was inundated with people who needed to get their certification, after the Legislation was passed. He explained that the CAZEO Registration was limited to 40 people, with a first come, first serve enrollment. He stated because CAZEO could not accommodate all those who needed the education by January 1, 2023, that there were a lot of people who were working as Zoning Enforcement Officials that could not receive the Certification to meet the new Legislation. He went on to explain that Legislation has already been proposed to extend the January 1, 2023 CAZEO Certification deadline date to 2024 or 2025. Therefore, he stated Mr. Cherry would not be returning to serve as the Interim Zoning Enforcement Officer, noting that this piece of Legislation has put a wrinkle in terms of trying to fill these types of municipal land use positions.

RESULT: DISCUSSED

Next Meeting:02/06/2023 5:30 p.m.

3. Potential future uses for the 101.80-acre Clark Farm property located at 1025 Colonel Ledyard Highway.

Chairman Dombrowski stated there were no updates regarding the Clark Farm usage, noting that Mr. Majcher was continuing his farming activity on the leased area and that the Tri-Town Trail was using the property to pass to get back onto Route 117. He explained the Town renewed a Lease with Mr. Majcher in 2021. He noted the term of the Lease was *five years* and that the Tenant (Mr. Majcher) agreed to pay rent in the amount of *\$80 per acre for 20.29 acres* located on the parcel at *1025 Colonel Ledyard Highway, for a total payment of \$1,623.20 per year for designated area*. He explained the rent was being paid on an annual basis and that the Lease was expanded to include an additional 5.30 acres located on the west side of the Joe Clark Brook. He stated the reason Mr. Majcher requested increasing the term of his lease from one (1) year to five (5) years was because he was looking to grow hay instead of silage corn because the market for corn was declining and because of the time involved to cultivate hay.

Chairman Dombrowski continued by providing some background, stating that since the town acquired the Clark Farm in a land swap with the Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation for Indian Town Park (119 Indiantown Road) on September 4, 2007 that this item to review future uses of the Clark Farm Property has been on the LUPPW Committee's agenda. He stated at that time there was some discussions regarding Utopia purchasing the 70- acre former State Hospital Property located on Route 12; and so there were some discussions regarding the potential uses of the Clark Farm Property based on its proximity to the State Hospital property.

Chairman Dombrowski went on to explain that the Clark Farm property was under the Town Council's Administrative Control and was one of the larger open space properties owned by the Town. He stated should the town need a site to build a new High School, that the Clark Farm would most likely be a site for consideration. He stated there were no proposals to use the property at this time, other than the two uses he noted above. He stated the town was currently maintaining the Clark Farm as open space, using it for farming activity and for passive recreation activity. He suggested the LUPPW Committee remove the Clark Farm from their agenda, until a proposal comes forward.

By consensus the LUPPW Committee agreed to remove the Clark Farm Property update discussion from their future Agendas, noting that should any ideas/proposals come forward that they could put it back on their agenda.

RESULT: REMOVE FROM AGENDA

4. Security and safety concerns regarding the Park on East Street (Christy Hill Park).

Councilor Paul stated he visited the Park on East Drive and he noted the positive progress that has been made with the new lights, etc. He stated in speaking to Chief Rich regarding activity at the Park that the last call was in response to some rambunctious kids at the park in October, 2022. He stated Parks and Recreation and the Police Department have been doing a great job.

Councilor Rodriguez stated that she spoke with Mr. Jamison on January 8, 2023 noting that had the following comments:

- Parks and Recreation was doing a great job with locking the gate every night.
- The new lights were great.
- According to Mr. Jamison, the Police Departments response to the Park was 20-minutes. Mr. Jamison stated that:
 - Ledyard needed to hire more police to reduce response times; or
 - Request mutual aid from surrounding town's if the Ledyard's Police could not respond in a more-timely fashion.

Chairman Dombrowski noted with the winter weather and getting darker earlier that there has been less activity at the Park.

Councilor Marshall noted Mr. Jamison's comments that Councilor Rodriguez relayed regarding the Police Department's response time. He stated that Mr. Jamison's comments were unrealistic and not reasonable.

Councilor Paul stated the purpose of keeping the Park on East Drive on their agenda was to monitor the progress the Park improvements, noting that the discussion was regarding East Drive Park (Christy Hill Park).

RESULT: CONTINUED

Next Meeting: 02/06/2023 6:00 p.m.

5. Discussion regarding the appropriate mechanism to provide information to residents pertaining to the structure and operation of land use processes in the Town of Ledyard.

Councilor Paul stated at the LUPPW Committee's October 3, 2022 meeting they heard comments from a resident regarding the Land Use process and the approval process. He went on to state that they also discussed the importance for residents to understand the complexities of Land Use noting that it involved Regulatory, State Statutes, the Plan of Conservation & Development (POCD), etc. He stated in response to the citizen's comments the LUPPW Committee began to discuss the appropriate mechanisms/platform to get this type of information out to residents.

Councilor Paul went on to state the Community Relations Committee planned to work with Land Use Director Juliet Hodge after the holidays to coordinate and schedule an Informational Presentation sometime around April/May, 2023. He stated at their December 21, 2022 meeting the Community Relations Committee planned to develop a list of questions and topics to keep the Presentation on point/topic.

RESULT: DISCUSSED

Next Meeting: 02/06/2023 6:00 p.m.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

1. MOTION to recommend the Town Council approve a proposed "*Lease Agreement between Robert and Mary Graham and the Town of Ledyard*" for the lease of approximately 0.08 +/- acre parcel on Bush Pond (*Lantern Hill Valley Park*).
Moved by Councilor Rodriguez, seconded by Councilor Marshall

Discussion: Mayor Allyn, III, provided some background stating that Mr. and Mrs. Graham purchased a piece of land on the twenty-three-acre Bush Pond which was parallel to Long Pond. He stated Mr. and Mrs. Graham removed a number of the dilapidated cottages and cleaned up the property taking on a lot of the expense to open up the property making it more accessible. He stated at the Town Council's July 27, 2022 they authorized funding to conduct a land survey, draft a legal description of the three-quarter acre parcel, and to perform a title search. He also noted that the Town Attorney and the Graham's Attorney have worked together to draft the proposed lease presented this evening.

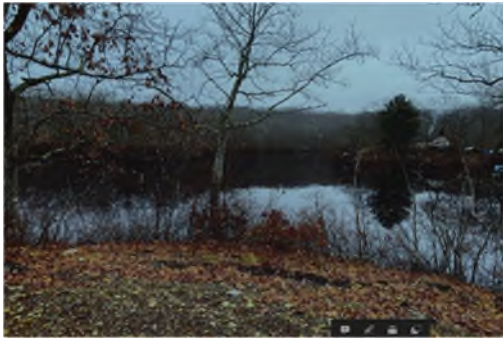
Mayor Allyn went on to note the terms of the proposed 99-year lease would allow the town to use the 0.8 +/- acres of the privately owned property as a waterfront park for passive (non-motorized) recreation such as canoeing, kayaking, fishing, etc., for a leased amount of \$10.00 per year. He explained that the Town could not construct a building on the parcel but that they could put in a gazebo for picnicking, and that the Graham's would allow the town to put a port-a-john on the property seasonally. He noted that the parcel would be under the Administrative Control of the Parks & Recreation Department. He stated that he worked with Parks & Recreation Director Scott Johnson, Jr., to provide some cost estimates at the Finance Committee's January 4, 2023 meeting noting initial cost for things such as the picnic pavilion, concrete floor, picnic tables, boat launch, etc. totaled approximately \$28,148 and that the annual maintenance for seasonal trash collection, porta-john, grounds maintenance such as grass mowing, etc. was estimated to cost about \$1,648.

Councilor Rodriguez noted in response to Councilor Saums' November 30, 2022 e-mail regarding the town's cost to maintain the Busch Pond – Lantern Hill Valley Park that Mayor Allyn and Parks and Recreation Director Scott Johnson, Jr. presented cost estimates.

	Quantity	Unit Price	Total	Recurring	Notes
Rectangular picnic table	1	\$1,300	\$1,300	N	8' Vinyl coated HD rectangular picnic table
ADA picnic table	1	\$1,500	\$1,500	N	8' Vinyl coated HD ADA rect. picnic table
Seasonal Port-a-John	1	\$62	\$558	Y	Contract price for P&R- Full Year cost
Picnic Pavilion	1	\$18,400	\$18,400	N	14x20 hip roof, Carefree Small Bldgs.
Concrete floor	1	\$5,300	\$5,300	N	16x22 poured floor
Protective bollards Mow/maintain	2	\$295.00	\$590.00	N	Protect front pavilion posts, plus install/ concrete
trash removal	1	\$41.67	\$500	Y	Annual cost
TOTAL Up-Start (Estimated)			\$28,148		
TOTAL ANNUAL MAINTENANCE (Estimated)			\$1,648		

Mayor Allyn presented photographs showing the work that the Grahams have done to clean up the property that has provided some public access to Bush Pond, pointing out areas for a gravel parking lot, picnic pavilion, boat launch for kayaks or canoes.





Councilor Paul questioned the amount of space for parking. Mayor Allyn stated the parking would be limited noting there would be space for about eight vehicles, the picnic pavilion would be about 14'X20" and would have two weatherproof picnic tables, noting that one picnic table would be ADA accessible, and two concrete steel bollards to prevent vehicles from backing into the pond, as well as signage.

Mayor Allyn, thanked Mr. and Mrs. Graham for their generous offer, noting that it was an incredible gift to the town.

The LUPPW Committee noted the site was beautiful and that they appreciated Mr. and Mrs. Graham's generous offer to the town.

VOTE:

3 – 0 Approved and so declared.

RESULT: 3 – 0 APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

MOVER: S. Naomi Rodriguez, Town Councilor

SECONDER: Gary Paul, Town Councilor

AYES: Gary Paul, John Marshall, Naomi Rodriguez

2. MOTION to recommend the Town Council set a Hybrid Public Hearing date for January 25, 2023; at 6:30 p.m. to be held in the Council Chambers, 741 Colonel Ledyard Highway, in accordance with CGS 07-163e, to receive comments and recommendations regarding the following:

“A proposed Lease Agreement between Robert and Mary Graham and the Town of Ledyard to enter into a 99-year lease for approximately 0.08 +/- acre parcel on Bush Pond (Lantern Hill Valley Park).”

Moved by Councilor Paul, seconded by Councilor Rodriguez
Discussion: Councilor Paul stated this action was to schedule a Public Hearing to obtain public comments regarding the proposed lease.

VOTE: 3 – 0 Approved and so declared.

RESULT: 3 – 0 APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

MOVER: Gary Paul, Town Councilor

SECONDER: S. Naomi Rodriguez, Town Councilor

AYES: Gary Paul, John Marshall, Naomi Rodriguez

3. MOTION to recommend the Town Council adopt the proposed amendments to Ordinance #300-027 (rev 2) “*An Ordinance Regulating Parking And Other Activities In Town Roads And Rights-Of-Way And Providing Penalties For The Violation Thereof*” as contained in the draft dated December 14, 2022, to include editorial clarifications received at the December 14, 2022 Public Hearing.

DRAFT: ~~10/13/2022~~ 12/14/2022

Ordinance: #300-027 (rev. 2)

AN ORDINANCE
REGULATING PARKING AND OTHER ACTIVITIES IN TOWN ROADS AND
RIGHTS-OF-WAY AND PROVIDING PENALTIES
FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF

Be it ordained by the Town Council of the Town of Ledyard

Section 1. Purpose

It is hereby declared to be in the best interests of the public safety, convenience and welfare of the Town to regulate and place restrictions on the parking of vehicles and other activities in Town rights-of-way within the control and limits of said Town, in general and during periods of snow emergencies, so as to preserve proper material condition of roads and rights-of-way and to not impede the transportation and movement of food, fuel, medical care, fire, health, police protection and other vital facilities of the Town.

Section 2. Definitions

For the purpose of this Ordinance, the following definitions shall apply:

- a. The words "vehicle" shall be defined as in Connecticut Statutes Section 14-1(102).
- b. The words "parked vehicle" shall be defined as in Connecticut General Statutes Section 14-1(66).
- c. The word "street" shall mean any public highway, road or street in the Town of Ledyard.

- d. The words "snow emergency" is hereby defined to be a period of time as forecast by a contracted weather service or the United States Weather Bureau, during which period vehicular and/or pedestrian traffic is expected to be hazardous or congested due to the elements, and during which period the parking of vehicles could hinder, delay or obstruct the safe flow of such traffic and/or the proper cleaning, clearing and making safe of the public highways of the Town.
- e. *For the purpose of this Ordinance "commercial or industrial vehicle" means any vehicle the principal use of which is the transport of commodities, merchandise, produce, freight, and any vehicle used primarily in construction, industry, including but not limited to, bulldozers, backhoes, tractors, tow trucks, dump trucks, tractor trailers (cab and/or trailer), or trucks fitted with cranes, air compressors, welders, tanks or similar equipment. "Commercial or industrial vehicle" also includes nonmotorized dumpsters, storage units, open or utility trailers greater than six (6) feet in length ~~and~~ **or in** height, and tool lockers; taxicabs, limousines, and/or any passenger vehicle that is greater than eight (8) feet in height marked with a sign, letters, or emblem advertising a commercial enterprise.*

Section 3. General Restrictions

- a. No person, firm or corporation shall place any fixed obstruction, or object or drain any water or other substance, within, under, upon or over any Town road or right of way without the written permission of the Director of Public Works.
- b. In the case of clearing and handling leaves from and in proximity to private properties, no person, firm or corporation shall place or leave any leaves in the roadway or permanently place leaves on Town property. Residents who contract out leaf removal services at their property shall be liable also for violations of this provision of the party they hire.
- c. In the case of removing snow from private driveways and properties, no person, firm or corporation shall move snow across or leave any snow in the roadway. Residents who contract out snow removal at their property shall be liable also for violations of this provision of the party they hire.
- d. The Director of Public Works may remove or alter any such obstruction or drain, and the expense incurred by the Director in such removal or alteration shall be paid by the person, firm or corporation placing such obstruction or drain; provided, however, at the discretion of the Director of Public Works, any fixed obstruction or drain made or placed without a permit, or in violation of provisions of a permit shall be removed or altered by the person, firm or corporation making or placing the same within thirty (30) days from the date when said Director sends by registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, a notice to such person firm or corporation ordering such removal or alteration.

Section 4. Construction Regulations

- a. No person shall construct a new driveway or relocate an existing driveway leading from private property to a town street or conduct work (excepting lawn or grounds maintenance) in a town right-of-way (ROW) area, until a permit has been obtained from the Director of Public Works or his agent. Plans fully depicting the proposed driveway location and or work in town ROW area shall be submitted for review and approval prior to commencing work.

- b. In determining whether to issue a permit, the Director of Public Works shall give due consideration to the effect of the proposed approach upon public safety, sightline and drainage needs.
- c. For driveways, all paving, drainage pipes, culverts, headwalls, catch basins, or ditches deemed necessary by the Director of Public Works or his agent must be installed at the owner's expense. The construction shall meet the requirements of the Road Ordinance, unless varied with the written permission of the Director of Public Works. For other work in town ROW areas, construction shall be conducted in accordance with the approved plans. As applicable, work shall meet the specifications of the Road Ordinance.
- d. The work shall be completed before a Certificate of Occupancy (CO) and a Certificate of Use and Compliance (CC), when applicable, are issued. If extenuating circumstances prevail, as deemed by the Director of Public Works, that prevent completion of work by the time all other CO and/or CC conditions are met, and unless waived by the Director of Public Works, the applicant shall deposit with the Town Treasurer security in the form of cash, in such amount as may be required by the Director of Public Works sufficient to cover the satisfactory completion of all work, including work required to repair the town street or ROW area. The security shall not be less than \$1,000.
- e. For work not involving a CO or CC, the applicant shall deposit with the Town Treasurer security in the form of cash, in such amount as may be required by the Director of Public Works sufficient to cover the satisfactory completion of all work, including work required to repair the town street or ROW area.
- f. If work governed by this ordinance is not completed within twelve (12) months of approval, the Town may utilize all or any necessary portion of the posted security to effect satisfactory completion.
- g. The holder of this permit shall be responsible for any damage done to the town street or ROW area in the completion of said work.

Section 5. Declaration of "Snow Emergency"

A "snow emergency" shall be declared by the Mayor or his/her designee, either before, during or after a fall of snow, sleet or freezing rain, when in his/her sound judgement and discretion the circumstances warrant determination of such an emergency in the interest of safety upon the public roads of the Town.

The Mayor's Office shall cause public announcements of such determination of snow emergency prior to the time of becoming effective, after which time a snow emergency shall be in effect. The Mayor or his/her designee shall determine when such emergency no longer exists and shall make public announcement of the same.

Section 6. Parking Restrictions

- a. No vehicle shall be permitted to remain parked on any street within the Town between the hours of 1:00 a.m. through 6:00 a.m. daily, during the period of December 1st through March 31st of each winter.

- b. It shall be unlawful at any time during the period of any snow emergency under provisions of this Ordinance for the owner of a vehicle or person in whose name it is registered, to allow, permit or suffer said vehicle to remain parked on any street in the Town of Ledyard.
- c. No vehicle shall be permitted to be parked on any street for a period of more than ten (10) consecutive days **in any 365 day period**. After such period, such vehicle will be considered a fixed obstruction according to Section 3 Paragraph (a).
- d. *No person shall park or store any commercial or industrial vehicle on any public street or roadway within any residential district or in front of any property currently used residentially unless for the purpose of actively loading or unloading materials, or while actively engaged in providing commercial service at the premises; nor shall such vehicles be parked in a residential district or in front of an existing residence outside normal business hours unless on site for an emergency service call.*

Section 7. Owner

In any prosecution or proceeding hereunder, the registration plate displayed on the vehicle shall constitute prima facie evidence that the owner of such vehicle was the person who parked such vehicle at the place where such violation occurred.

Section 8. Towing

~~Whenever any motor vehicle shall be found parked on any Town road during a period when parking is prohibited as herein set forth, such vehicle may be removed or conveyed under the direction of the Town Police Department by means of towing the same~~ *is found to be parked in violation of Section 6 of this ordinance, the motor vehicle may be removed (towed) at the owner's expense and/or a State of Connecticut Complaint Ticket (a parking ticket) shall be issued by the Ledyard Police Department. Each day that a violation continues shall be deemed a separate offense.*

Such removal shall be at the risk of the owner, and such owner is subject to the terms of the towing company in retrieving the vehicle.

Section 9. Penalties

- a. Any person, firm or corporation violation any provisions of Sections 3 or 4 of this ordinance shall be fined not more than Two Hundred (\$200.00).
- b. Any person found in violation of the provisions of Section 6 of this ordinance will be subject to the issuance of an infractions summons and be subject to a fine in accordance with a schedule, which *may be amended from time to time with the approval of the Town Council. The fine schedule is hereby incorporated in this Ordinance as fully set forth herein. (Appendix A).* ~~in accordance with the State of Connecticut Superior Court schedule.~~
- c. *Payment of the fine(s) associated with the issue of any Ticket shall be in accordance with current Connecticut State Statutes.*

Section 10. Severability.

If any section, or part of a section, of this Ordinance shall be held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such holding shall not be deemed to invalidate the remaining provisions hereof.

Section 11. Effective Date

In accordance with the Town Character this ordinance shall become effective on the twenty-first (21st) day after such publication following its final passage

Amended and Adopted by the Ledyard Town Council on: _____

Kevin J. Dombrowski, Chairman

Fred B. Allyn, III, Mayor

Published on:

Effective date:

Patricia A. Riley, Town Clerk

Revisions: Ordinance #38 “*Ordinance Prohibiting Parking on Town Roads During Winter Storms and Providing Penalties for the Violation Thereof*” adopted July 27, 1987; Ordinance #75 “*An Ordinance Amending An Ordinance Prohibiting The Placing of Obstructions or the Drainage of Water on Town Roads*” Adopted: June 9, 1999; Ordinance #100 “*An Ordinance Regulating Construction of Driveways to or Other Work Right-of-Way Areas of Any Street or Highway of the Town of Ledyard*” Adopted: February 8, 2006 .Ordinance #152 “*An Ordinance Regulating parking and Other Activities in town Roads and Rights-of-Way and Providing Penalties for the Violation Thereof*” Adopted August 8, 2018; Effective: September 4, 2018. Renumbered #300-027 on September 25, 2019. Amended on February 26, 2022 #300-027 (rev1); Effective: March 24, 2020.

History:

The Twenty-fourth Town Council (2017- 2019) Ordinance Update Initiative: Renumbered Ordinance #152 “*An Ordinance Regulating Parking and Other Activities in town Roads and Rights-of-Way and Providing Penalties for the Violation Thereof*” to Ordinance #300-027.

1999: Ordinance #38 “*An Ordinance Prohibiting the Placing of obstructions or the Drainage of Water on Town Roads*”. Section 1 added “*including portable or permanent basketball hoops*”

2018: Combined Ordinances #38, #75 & #100 because the subject matter of the three Ordinances dealt with the similar issue of the town right-of-way. Most of the language of the three ordinances did not change. Section 6 “*Parking Restrictions*; added paragraph (c) *No vehicle shall*

be permitted to be parked on any street for a period of more than ten (10) consecutive days. After such period, such vehicle will be considered a fixed obstruction according to Section 3 Paragraph (a). Updated State Statute numbers throughout the document. Section 3 “General Restrictions” paragraph (a) removed the following language “including portable or permanent basketball hoops”.

2019: Removed Section 11 “Cancellation of Previous Ordinances” - Per Town Attorney a “Cancellation Section” was not needed. The “Revisions” and “History” paragraphs indicate that the previous ordinance has been updated and replaced. Added new Section 11 “Effective Date” to be consistent with Town Ordinance format. No substantive changes were made to the ordinance.

2020 (rev.1): Section 3. General Restrictions: Inserted a new paragraph (b) as follows: *“In the case of clearing and handling leaves from and in proximity to private properties, no person, firm or corporation shall place or leave any leaves in the roadway or permanently place leaves on Town property. Residents who contract out leaf removal services at their property shall be liable also for violations of this provision of the party they hire”* and re-lettered the remaining paragraphs accordingly.

2023 (rev. 2): *Updated in various places to incorporate prohibitions related to parking commercial and industrial vehicles in residential districts as follows:*

Section 2 “Definitions” added subparagraph (e).

Section 6”Parking Restrictions” added subparagraph (d).

Section 8 “Towing” Reworded paragraph as follows: ~~Whenever any motor vehicle shall be found parked on any Town road during a period when parking is prohibited as herein set forth, such vehicle may be removed or conveyed under the direction of the Town Police Department by means of towing the same~~ *is found to be parked in violation of Section 6 of this ordinance, the motor vehicle may be removed (towed) at the owner's expense and/or a State of Connecticut Complaint Ticket (a parking ticket) shall be issued by the Ledyard Police Department. Each day that a violation continues shall be deemed a separate offense.*

Section 9 “Penalties”

Subparagraph (b) added the following language: may be amended from time to time with the approval of the Town Council. The fine schedule is hereby incorporated in this Ordinance as fully set forth herein. (Appendix A). Removed the following language. And removed the following language: “in accordance with the State of Connecticut Superior Court schedule”.

Added subparagraph (c)

Added Appendix – Fee Schedule

The 2023 changes noted above are further subject to the following background.

Sec. 7-148. Scope of Municipal Powers

Fine up to \$90 is considered an infraction. Fine above \$90.00 to \$250.00 is considered a “violation”. Both are enforceable on a state infraction ticket.

Sec. 51-164p. Violations of municipal ordinances, regulations and bylaws. (a) Notwithstanding any provision of any special act, local law or the general statutes to the contrary, any violation of any ordinance, regulation or bylaw of any town, city or borough, except violations of building codes and the health code, for which the penalty does not exceed ninety dollars shall be an infraction as provided for in sections 51-164m and 51-164n.

(b) Notwithstanding any provision of any special act, local law or the general statutes, any violation of any ordinance, regulation or bylaw of any town, city or borough, except violations of building codes and the health code, for which the penalty exceeds ninety dollars but does not exceed two hundred fifty dollars shall be a violation as provided for in sections 51-164m and 51-164n.

(P.A. 75-577, S. 9, 126; P.A. 80-483, S. 133, 186; P.A. 06-185, S. 9.)

P.A. 80-483 specified that violations with penalties not exceeding \$90, rather than \$100, are infractions; P.A. 06-185 designated existing provisions as Subsec. (a) and added Subsec. (b) re violation of municipal ordinance, regulation or bylaw with penalty between \$90 and \$250. Cited. 9 CA 686.

Sec. 14-251. Parking vehicles. No vehicle shall be permitted to remain stationary within ten feet of any fire hydrant, or upon the traveled portion of any highway except upon the right-hand side of such highway in the direction in which such vehicle is headed; and, if such highway is curbed, such vehicle shall be so placed that its right-hand wheels, when stationary, shall, when safety will permit, be within a distance of twelve inches from the curb, except if a bikeway, as defined in section 13a-153f, or such bikeway's buffer area, as described in the federal Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices, is in place between the parking lane and the curb, such vehicle shall be so placed that its right-hand wheels, when stationary, shall, when safety will permit, be within a distance of twelve inches from the edge of such bikeway or buffer area.

No vehicle shall be permitted to remain parked within twenty-five feet of an intersection or a marked crosswalk at such intersection, except within ten feet of such intersection if such intersection has a curb extension treatment with a width equal to or greater than the width of the parking lane and such intersection is located in and comprised entirely of highways under the jurisdiction of the city of New Haven, or within twenty-five feet of a stop sign caused to be erected by the traffic authority in accordance with the provisions of section 14-301, except where permitted by the traffic authority of the city of New Haven at the intersection of one-way streets located in and comprised entirely of highways under the jurisdiction of the city of New Haven.

No vehicle shall be permitted to remain stationary upon the traveled portion of any highway at any curve or turn or at the top of any grade where a clear view of such vehicle may not be had from a distance of at least one hundred fifty feet in either direction. The Commissioner of Transportation may post signs upon any highway at any place where the keeping of a vehicle

stationary is dangerous to traffic, and the keeping of any vehicle stationary contrary to the directions of such signs shall be a violation of this section. No vehicle shall be permitted to remain stationary upon the traveled portion of any highway within fifty feet of the point where another vehicle, which had previously stopped, continues to remain stationary on the opposite side of the traveled portion of the same highway.

No vehicle shall be permitted to remain stationary within the limits of a public highway in such a manner as to constitute a traffic hazard or obstruct the free movement of traffic thereon, provided a vehicle which has become disabled to such an extent that it is impossible or impracticable to remove it may be permitted to so remain for a reasonable time for the purpose of making repairs thereto or of obtaining sufficient assistance to remove it. Nothing in this section shall be construed to apply to emergency vehicles and to maintenance vehicles displaying flashing lights or to prohibit a vehicle from stopping, or being held stationary by any officer, in an emergency to avoid accident or to give a right-of-way to any vehicle or pedestrian as provided in this chapter, or from stopping on any highway within the limits of an incorporated city, town or borough where the parking of vehicles is regulated by local ordinances. Violation of any provision of this section shall be an infraction.

Sec. 14-252. Parking so as to obstruct driveway. No person shall park or leave stationary on a public highway any vehicle in front of or so as to obstruct or interfere with the ingress to or egress from any private driveway or alleyway, except with the permission of the owner of such private driveway or alleyway. Such parking or stationary position of any vehicle with such permission shall be subject to existing parking regulations. Violation of any provision of this section shall be an infraction.

(1949 Rev., S. 2510; February, 1965, P.A. 448, S. 29; P.A. 75-577, S. 101, 126.)

History: 1965 act added provision requiring compliance with parking regulations when blocking drive or alley; P.A. 75-577 replaced provision for \$25 maximum fine with statement that violation of provisions is an infraction.

See Sec. 14-107 re liability of owner, operator or lessee of vehicle.

Moved by Councilor Paul, seconded by Councilor Rodriguez

Discussion: Councilor Marshall stated the Town Council received some good comments at the December 14, 2022 Public Hearing and that he supported putting the proposed Ordinance amendments forward as presented this evening.

Chairman Dombrowski stated he referred the proposed amendments to Ordinance # 300-027 “ *An Ordinance Regulating Parking Of Commercial Vehicles On Public Streets In Residential Zones And /Or In Front Of Residentially Used Properties*” back to the LUPPW Committee to review the Public Hearing comments received. He noted the non-substantive suggestions have been included in the draft dated December 14, 2022 for the LUPPW Committee to consider and were noted by the **highlighted green font** in the Ordinance above as follows:

- Section 2 – Subparagraph (e) “.....*Commercial or industrial vehicle*” also includes *nonmotorized dumpsters, storage units, open or utility trailers greater than six (6) feet in length ~~and~~ or in height,....*”

- Section 6 – Subparagraph (c) “ No vehicle shall be permitted to be parked on any street for a period of more than ten (10) consecutive days **in any 365-day period**. After such period, such vehicle will be considered a fixed obstruction according to Section 3 Paragraph (a).

Chairman Dombrowski stated the public comment that was not included was regarding a grace period.

Councilor Rodriguez stated that she was pleased that the residents’ concerns were heard, noting that they had some valid concerns.

The LUPPW Committee agreed with the non-substantive editorials presented in the draft dated December 14, 2022.

VOTE: 3 – 0 Approved and so declared.

RESULT: 3 – 0 APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

MOVER: Gary Paul, Town Councilor

SECONDER: S. Naomi Rodriguez, Town Councilor

AYES: Gary Paul, John Marshall, Naomi Rodriguez

IX. ADJOURNMENT-

Councilor Rodriguez moved the meeting be adjourned, seconded by Councilor Paul
VOTE: 3 - 0 Approved and so declared, the meeting was adjourned at 6:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gary Paul
Committee Chairman
Land Use/Planning/Public Works Committee



File #: 22-017

Agenda Date: 2/6/2023

Agenda #: 1.

LAND USE

Subject/Application:

Continued discussion and possible action to periodically review the list of town owned property; and update accordingly for the “*Assignment of Administrative Control*”.

Background:

The LUPPW Committee is working to review and research the 191 Town-Owned / Town Leased properties on the *Assignment of Administrative Control List to ensure the Administrative Control was with the appropriate body and to make adjustments as needed.*

The *Assignment of Administrative Control* has not been updated since 2017.

There were some new properties that the town has acquired through subdivision that should be added to the List and some properties that should come off the list, which may have been conveyed to Avalonia Land Conservancy or sold such as the Ledyard Center School and the Gales Ferry School; as well as the merging of property lines such as 737 & 741 Colonel Ledyard Highway that took place in 2015 (former Ledyard Center Fire Department, where the new Police Station was built), noting that the property was combined with the Town Hall property; or the War Monument and the Bill Library.

Land Use Director/Town Planner:

The Town has contracted with Claus Georges, CGIS Mapping, LLC, who has completed their review of the forty-six maps and was making good progress. It was anticipated that the GIS update work should work would be completed sometime this summer.

Meeting Action Detail:

Land Use/Planning/Public Works Committee Meeting 01/09/2023

File #: [22418](#) Version: 1

Type: Land Use

Title: Continued discussion and possible action to periodically review the list of town owned property; and update accordingly for the “*Assignment of Administrative Control*”.

Action: No Action

Minute Note:

Councilor Rodriguez stated Land Use Director Juliet Hodge was on vacation, but that she would contact her next week to check on the status of the completion of the Geographic Information System (GIS) Update.

Land Use/Planning/Public Works Committee Meeting 12/05/2022

File #: [22418](#) Version: 1

Type: Land Use

Title: Continued discussion and possible action to periodically review the list of town owned property; and update accordingly for the “*Assignment of Administrative Control*”.

Action: No Action

Minute Note:

Councilor Rodriguez stated the GIS System update work was nearly complete. Therefore, she stated the LUPPW Committee would be able to address the *Assignment of Administrative Control of Town-Owned and Town-Leased Property* in January, 2023.

Action: No Action

Land Use/Planning/Public Works Committee Meeting 11/07/2022

File #: [22418](#) Version: 1

Type: Land Use

Title: Continued discussion and possible action to periodically review the list of town owned property; and update accordingly for the “*Assignment of Administrative Control*”.

Action: No Action

Minute Note:

Councilor Rodriguez stated the GIS System update work was nearly complete. Therefore, she stated that the LUPPW Committee would be able to address the *Assignment of Administrative Control of Town-Owned and Town-Leased Property* in January, 2023.

Land Use Director Juliet Hodge stated some of the outstanding tasks to complete the GIS Update work were with Tax Assessor Adrianna Hedwall at this time. She stated that she believed all of the GIS Update work should be complete by January, 2023

Land Use/Planning/Public Works Committee Meeting 10/03/2022:

File #: [22418](#) Version: 1

Type: Land Use

Title: Continued discussion and possible action to periodically review the list of town owned property; and update accordingly for the “*Assignment of Administrative Control*”.

Action: No Action

Minute Note:

Land Use Director Juliet Hodge stated some of the outstanding tasks to complete the GIS Update work were with Tax Assessor Adrianna Hedwall at this time. She stated that she believed all of the GIS Update work should be complete by January, 2023.

Action: No Action

Land Use/Planning/Public Works Committee Meeting 10/03/2022:

File #: [22418](#) Version: 1

Type: Land Use

Title: Continued discussion and possible action to periodically review the list of town owned property; and update accordingly for the “*Assignment of Administrative Control*”.

Action: No Action

Minute Note:

Councilor Rodriguez stated that she would talk with Land Use Director Juliet Hodge regarding the completion of the GIS System update.

Action: No Action

Land Use/Planning/Public Works Committee Meeting 9/19/2022

File #: [22418 <https://ledyardct.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=5814186&GUID=E2C7069F-CBA6-4209-A4C0-5F8D44613280>](https://ledyardct.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=5814186&GUID=E2C7069F-CBA6-4209-A4C0-5F8D44613280)
Version: 1

Type: Land Use

Title: Continued discussion and possible action to periodically review the list of town owned property; and update accordingly for the “*Assignment of Administrative Control*”.

Action: No Action

Meeting Note:

Councilor Rodriguez questioned whether the work to update the GIS System has been completed. Councilor Paul stated he would check on the status of the project with Land Use Director Juliet Hodge.

Land Use/Planning/Public Works Committee Meeting 8/1/2022

File #: [22418 <https://ledyardct.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=5814186&GUID=E2C7069F-CBA6-4209-A4C0-5F8D44613280>](https://ledyardct.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=5814186&GUID=E2C7069F-CBA6-4209-A4C0-5F8D44613280)

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Type: Land Use

Title: Continued discussion and possible action to periodically review the list of town owned property; and update accordingly for the “*Assignment of Administrative Control*”.

Action: No Action

Meeting Note:

No Action

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402900	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	17	ALJEN AVE	2	30	17	5.21	903V	Municipal M00	R20	Ball Field	Parks & Recreation Commission			
104943	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	13	APPLEWOOD DR	99	530	13	1.70	903V	Municipal M00	R60	Open Space	Conservation Commission	Vacant Lot		
164542	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	2	AUGUST MEADOWS	126	94	2	0.97	903V	Municipal M00	R60	Basin	Mayor/ Public Works			Conservation Commission
164404	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	16	AUTUMN WAY	100	96	16	0.14	903V	Municipal M00	R40	Road Right of Way	Mayor/ Public Works			
402915	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	19	AVERY HILL EXT	50	130	19	4.60	903V	Municipal M00	R60	Glacial Park Kettlehole	Conservation Commission			
164622	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	40	AVERY HILL EXT	64	110	40	2.67	903V	Municipal M00	R40	Open Space	Conservation Commission			
81756	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	151	AVERY HILL RD	24	1790	151	2.43	903V	Municipal M00	R40	Not shown on Town GIS	Water Pollution Control Authority	Holmberg Property for Water		
400911	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	192	AVERY HILL RD	13	120	192	1.92	903V	Municipal M00	R40	Open Space	Conservation Commission			WPCA
402912	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	203	AVERY HILL RD	13	120	203	6.50	903V	Municipal M00	R40	Open Space	Conservation Commission			
#	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	224	AVERY HILL RD	3	120	224			Municipal Moo	R60	Ross Property - N Portion TTT	Parks & Recreation Commission	TTT easement?		
66143	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	40	BARTON LN	139	180	40	1.98	903V	Municipal M00	R60	Open Space; CL&P Easement	Conservation Commission			
164320	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	9	BIRCH ST	97	188	9	5.51	903V	Municipal M00	R40	Open Space from Subdivision	Conservation Commission	Vacant Lot		
123672	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	40	BITTERSWEET DR	25	200	40	3.64	903V	Municipal M00	R40	Open Space with Right of Way	Mayor/ Public Works			Remove from List
	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	40A	BITTERSWEET DR	25	200	40A	8.35	903V	Municipal M00	R40	0258/0018	Mayor/Public Works	Open Space/Right-of-way w/Basin		
402975	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	4	BLONDERS BLVD	68	240	4	131.93	9030	Municipal M94	R60	Colonel Ledyard Park	Parks & Recreation Commission/ BOE			
32250	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	5	BLUEBIRD DR	122	260	5	4.61	903V	Municipal M00	R40	Open Space	Conservation Commission	Revisit		
60825	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	13	BREWSTER DR	24	330	13	0.08	903V	Municipal M00	R40	Open Space	Conservation Commission			

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164535	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	16	CAPT AMOS STANTON DR	86	365	16	5.30	903V	Municipal M00	R60	Open Space & Cemetery	Conservation Comm. / Cemetery Comm.			
49773	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	32	CEDAR RDG	48	410	32	16.15	903V	Municipal M00	R40	Open Space from Subdivision - 64-acre pine swamp	Conservation Commission	Vacant Lot		
402925	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	67	CEDAR SWAMP	20	410	67	3.69	903V	Municipal M00	R60	Open Space	Conservation Commission			
35353	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	77	CEDAR SWAMP	20	410	77	7.20	903V	Municipal M00	R60	Open Space	Conservation Commission			
34A23:PA	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	1	CHIDLEY WAY	69	2300	1	1.75	903V	Municipal M00	R40	Open Space	Conservation Commission		477/0004	
	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	6	CHIDLEY WAY	69	2300	6	2.6	1300	Vacant M00	R40	Wetlands/Open Space	Conservation Commission		373/805	
	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	9	CHIDLEY WAY	69	2300	9	3.71	903V	Municipal M00	R40	Subdivision Open Space	More Information Needed		476/412	
	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	9	CHRISWOOD TRCE	126	480	9	4.88	903V	Municipal M00	R40	75% Wetlands	Conservation Commission		196/702	
	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	35	CHRISWOOD TRCE	139	480	35	1.16	903V	Municipal M00	R40	Open Sapce	Conservation Commission		196/702	
	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	57	CHRISWOOD TRCE	139	480	57	23.31	903V	Municipal M00	R40	Open Space/Wetlands/Power Lines	Conservation Commission		196/702	
	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	30	COACHMAN PIKE	30	510	30	2.21	903V	Town of Ledyard	R40	Open Space/Wetlands	Conservation Commission		143/223	
	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	48	COACHMAN PIKE	30	510	48	3.51	903V	Municipal M00	R40	Open Space/Wetlands	Conservation Commission		143/223	
	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	423	COLONEL LEDYARD HIGHWAY	128	530	423	33.9	1330	SUB OPEN SPACE	R60	Open space	Conservation Commission		588/866	
116780	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	794	COLONEL LEDYARD HWY	53	530	794	0.97	903V	Municipal M00	R40	Open Space	Conservation Commission			
163621	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	881	COLONEL LEDYARD HWY	40	530	881	44.12	903V	Municipal M00	R60	Town Garage	Mayor/ Public Works			
403100	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	889	COLONEL LEDYARD HWY	40	530	889	49.61	903I	Municipal M96	R60	Town Garage	Mayor/ Public Works	HIGHWAY GARAGE/DUMP SITE		

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33101	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	1025	COLONEL LEDYARD HWY	15	530	1025	102.16	903V	Municipal M00	R60	Clark Farm <i>Southern Section Tri-Town Trail/Agriculture Lease</i>	Town Council			
402275	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	1087	COLONEL LEDYARD HWY	3	530	1087	42.80	903V	Municipal M00	R60	<i>Old State Farm Property - Northern Section Tri-Town Trail</i>	Town Council			
	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	391	COLONEL LEDYARD HWY	128	530	391	0.11	903V	Municipal M00	R60	Future Road WIDENING?	<i>More Information Needed - Seemed Too Large for Road Widening</i>		45/413	
	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	640	COLONEL LEDYARD HWY	68	530	640	26.89	903V	Municipal M00	R40	<i>Wetlands</i>	<i>Conservation Commision</i>		248/046	
	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	712R	COLONEL LEDYARD HWY	67	530	712A	0.12	1320	UNBUILDABLE	LCVD	<i>Realignment of Old Road/Ray Holdrige Circle</i>	<i>More Information Needed</i>		484/136	
	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	720	COLONEL LEDYARD HWY	67	530	720	0.04	903V	Municipal M00	LCVD	MONUMENT LOT/BILL LIBRARY	<i>Mayor</i>		3/518	
	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	741	COLONEL LEDYARD HWY	67	530	741	2.36	9030	Municipal M94	LCV1	TOWN HALL ANNEX POLICE	<i>Mayor/Public Works</i>		71/658	
	G TOWN OF PRESTON	1094	COLONEL LEDYARD HWY	3	530	1094	0.71	903V	Municipal M00	R60	<i>Old State Farm Property- 1/2 located in Ledyard 1/2 located in Preston</i>	<i>Town Council</i>		273/1003	
	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	889R	COLONEL LEDYARD HWY	40	530	889R	49.61	9031	Municipal M096	R60	Town Garage/Transfer Station	<i>Mayor/Public Works</i>			
403110	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	36	COUNTRY CLUB DR	86	560	36	5.39	903V	Municipal M00	R60	Back end of Highland Lake	Parks & Recreation Commission			
403125	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	5A	CRANWOOD RD	129	580	5	0.03	9062	Cemetery	R40	Cemetery Woodridge	Cemetery Commission			
403150	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	10	DECATUR TRL	75	610	10	0.21	903V	Municipal M00	R20	Open Space	Public Works (? per M. Marelli, CC Chair)			
163739	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	5	DEER LN	100	620	5	2.00	903V	Municipal M00	R40	Open Space	Conservation Commission			

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163742	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	11	DEER LN	100	620	11	0.17	903V	Municipal M00	R40	Public Road Right of Way	Public Works			Delete from list?
163910	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	62	EAGLE RIDGE DR	122	660	62	1.89	1330	Subdv Open	R40	Open Space with Detention Basin	Conservation Commission			
403175	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	13	EAST DR	93	670	13	3.88	903V	Municipal M00	R60	Christy Hill Field	Parks & Recreation Commission			
163848	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	19	ESKA DR	41	700	19	3.98	903V	Municipal M00	R40	Grayfarms Subdivision Open Space	Conservation Commission			
163629	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	11	FAIRWAY DR	67	710	11	2.40	903I	Municipal M96	LCDD	Ledyard Center Emergency Services	Ledyard Center Fire Company			
163820	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	5	FAWN DR	65	740	5	2.07	903V	Municipal M00	R60	Open Space	Conservation Commission			
163826	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	6	FAWN DR	64	740	6	0.45	903V	Municipal M00	R60	Open Space	Conservation Commission			
163832	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	16A	FAWN DR	80	740	16	0.19	903V	Municipal M00	R60	Fotone Road Right of Way	Conservation Commission			
106696	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	24	FOUNDERS WAY	141	530	24	13.88	903V	Municipal M00	R60	open space/sub		Vacant Lot		
106708	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	25	FOUNDERS WAY	141	530	25	35.34	903V	Municipal M00	R60	open space/sub		Vacant Lot		Conservation Commission
164232	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	7	FOX HOLLOW	98	785	7	18.17	903V	Municipal M00	R40	Sablewoods Wellfield / Open Space	WPCA			Conservation Commission
403225	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	24	GALLUP HILL RD	69	810	24	30.09	9033	Public Sch M94	R60	Ledyard High School	BOE			
403250	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	74	GALLUP HILL RD	85	810	74	0.12	903V	Municipal M00	R60	Burton Monument & Gardens	Conservation Commission			
403275	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	90	GALLUP HILL RD	85	810	90	69.84	903V	Municipal M00	R60	Burton Property Woodlands	Conservation Commission			
403285	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	135R	GALLUP HILL RD	85	810	135	1.20	903V	Municipal M00	R20	Playground off Model Park Rd	Parks & Recreation Commission			
403290	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	158	GALLUP HILL RD	101	810	158	2.93	903V	Municipal M00	R40	Purdy Field	Parks & Recreation Commission			
403300	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	169	GALLUP HILL RD	101	810	169	14.64	9033	Public Sch M94	R40	J.A. Clark Field	Parks & Recreation Commission			

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163730	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	10	GONCH FARM RD	18	860	10	4.92	903V	Municipal M00	R60	Open Space	Conservation Commission			
403310	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	10A	GONCH FARM RD	18	860	10	0.26	903V	Municipal M00	R60	Drway to Lots 10, 12 and 13	Mayor			
163859	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	12	GRAY FARM RD	54	875	12	7.74	903V	Municipal M00	R40	Grayfarms Subdivision Open Space	Conservation Commission			
164125	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	11	GREYSTONE CT	69	885	11	0.56	903V	Municipal M00	R60	Drainage Structures	Mayor/ Public Works			
164129	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	14R	GREYSTONE CT	70	885	14	1.91	903V	Municipal M00	R60	Open Space	Conservation Commission			
164131	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	16	GREYSTONE CT	70	885	16	0.23	903V	Municipal M00	R60	Drainage Support	Mayor/ Public Works			
156505	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	271	HALEY RD	128	890	271	13.31	903V	Municipal M00	R60			Vacant Lot		
403315	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	52	HIGHLAND DR	86	970	52	4.04	903V	Municipal M00	R20	House Lot	Parks & Recreation Commission			Conservation Commission
403325	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	15	HIGHVIEW TER	68	960	15	7.91	903V	Municipal M00	R40	Grayfarms Subdivision Open Space	Conservation Commission			
113900	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	21	HILL ST	97	980	21	4.34	903V	Municipal M00	R40	Open Space	Conservation Commission			
	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	18	HILLTOP DR	53	1010	18	10.28	903V	Municipal M00	R40				523/74	
14553	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	26R	HOMESTEAD RD	45	1030	26	0.80	1300	Cemetery	R60	Tommy Main Cemetery	Cemetery Committee			
14554	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	28R	HOMESTEAD RD	45	1030	28	2.56	1300	Open Space	R60	Open Space	Conservation Commission			
403350	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	23	HUNTINGTON WAY	129	1040	23	2.95	903V	Municipal M00	R60	Open Space	Conservation Commission			

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402000	GALES FERRY FIRE DISTRICT	18	HURLBUTT RD	91	1050	18	1.22	9200	Non-Profit M94	R20	1. Gales Ferry Community Center (Community Room, Lower Level Kitchen and Meeting Room to Parks and Recreation. 2. Gales Ferry Library and the room adjacent to the Library in the Community Center to the Library Commission.	Parks & Recreation Commission / Library			
163662	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	10	HYDE PARK DR	107	1060	10	2.17	903V	Municipal M00	R40	Open Space with Detention Basin	Conservation Commission			
163154	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	13	HYDE PARK DR	108	1060	13	1.87	1330	Subdv Open	R40	Open Space	Conservation Commission			
163672	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	21	HYDE PARK DR	108	1060	21	1.61	1330	Subdv Open	R40	Open Space with Detention Basin	Conservation Commission			
	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	69	INCHCLIFFE DR	106	1080	69	0.18	903V	Municipal M00	R40				560/786	
403400	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	54	INCHCLIFFE DR	106	1080	54	6.67	1330	Subdv Open	R40	Open Space	Parks & Recreation Commission			
403425	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	89	INCHCLIFFE DR	106	1080	89	0.04	903V	Municipal M00	R20	Inchcliffe / Meadow Right of Way	Mayor			
107507	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	99	INDIANTOWN RD	45	1090	99	0.55	903V	Municipal M00	R60	Vacant	Mayor			?
	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	78B	IRON ST	54	1110	78B	0.74	903V	Municipal M00	R40				421/001	
	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	86A	IRON ST	68	1110	86A	0.86	903V	Municipal M00	R40				141/343	
126200	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	41R	IRON ST	53	1110	41	0.92	903V	Municipal M00	R40			Vacant Lot		
403475	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	47	IRON ST	54	1110	47	4.89	903V	Municipal M00	R40	Old Town Garage Site	Mayor			

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164458	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	49A	IRON ST	54	1110	49	0.05	9062	Cemetery	R40	"Grave Site" to be retained	Mayor			
403500	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	65	IRON ST	54	1110	65	8.09	903V	Municipal M00	R40	Grayfarms Subdivision Open Space	Conservation Commission			
60184	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	78B	IRON ST	54	1110	78	0.74	903V	Municipal M00	R40	Wellfield for Grayfarms Subdivision	Conservation Commission			
403525	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	86	IRON ST	54	1110	86	7.29	903V	Municipal M00	R40	Grayfarms Subdivision Open Space	Conservation Commission			
60185	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	86B	IRON ST	68	1110	86	0.86	903V	Municipal M00	R40	Wellfield for Grayfarms Subdivision	Conservation Commission			
403550	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	172	IRON ST	56	1110	172	11.07	903V	Municipal M00	R40	Saw Mill Park	Historic District Commission / Parks & Recreation Commission			
36300	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	204	IRON ST	56	1110	204	0.07	903V	Municipal M00	R40	Unusable	Conservation Commission			
163484	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	9	JESSICA LN	45	1130	9	1.86	903V	Municipal M00	R60	Open Space	Conservation Commission			
164426	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	3	KALMIA DR	79	1145	3	2.04	903V	Municipal M00	R40	Open Space	Conservation Commission			
403600	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	11	LAUREL LEAF DR	92	1250	11	0.55	903V	Municipal M00	R20	Open Space	Conservation Commission			Conservation Commission
32257	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	26	LAUREL LEAF DR	92	1250	26	0.51	1330	Subdv Open	R20			Vacant Lot		
121873	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	9	LEE BROOK DR	55	1280	9	1.70	903V	Municipal M00	R40	Grayfarms Subdivision Open Space	Conservation Commission			
403625	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	4	LINDEN LN	70	1310	4	1.34	903V	Municipal M00	R60	Undeveloped	Conservation Commission			
158818	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	800	LONG COVE ROAD	109	1340	800R	25.11	903V	Municipal M00	R60	Open Space	Historic District Commission			
	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	37R2	LONG POND RD	73	1360	37R2	0.43	903V	Municipal M00	R60				560/792	

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163962	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	16	LORENZ IND PKWY	125	1380	16	0.34	903V	Municipal M00	CIP	Future Right of Way	Mayor			Conservation Commission
34581	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	9	LUCIENNE WAY	99	600	9	13.40	1300	Vacant M00	R60			Vacant Lot		
17601	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	5	LYNN DR	41	1400	5	1.11	903V	Municipal M00	R40	Open Space	Parks & Recreation Commission			
403630	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	24	MEETINGHOUSE LN	85	1540	24	0.48	903V	Municipal M00	R20	PEP Walkway to Playground	Mayor/Public Works			
403640	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	77	MEETINGHOUSE LN	85	1540	77	11.80	903V	Municipal M00	R20	Municipal MDL 00	Conservation Commission			
54901	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	114	MILITARY HWY	106	1590	114	2.89	903V	Municipal M00	CM	Erickson Park	Parks & Recreation Commission			
163077	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	17	MONTICELLO DR	108	1630	17	3.72	1330	Subdv Open	R40	Open Space	Conservation Commission			
7200	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	1	NAOMI DR	25	1670	1	0.33	903V	Municipal M00	R20	Pump Station	WPCA			
120547	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	53	NORMAN DR	77	1680	53	12.25	1330	Subdv Open	R20	Subdivision Open Space	Conservation Commission			
163045	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	7	OAK HILLS TRL	26	1740	7	0.45	903V	Municipal M00	R60	Open Space / Ledge	Conservation Commission			
163050	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	10	OAK HILLS TRL	26	1740	10	0.17	903V	Municipal M00	R60	Open Space	Conservation Commission			
163055	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	14	OAK HILLS TRL	26	1740	14	1.87	903V	Municipal M00	R60	Open Space	Conservation Commission			
164247	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	6	OLD COLONY LN	85	1765	6	1.86	903V	Municipal M00	R20	Open Space	Conservation Commission			
403660	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	9	OLD FORT LN	85	1770	9	0.08	903V	Municipal M00	R20	Walkway to Playground	Mayor/ Public Works		Water Tower ?	WPCA
81755	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	12R	ORCHARD DR	24	1790	12R	1.50	903V	Municipal M00	R40			Vacant Lot		?
32261	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	1A	OSPREY DR	109	1800	1	0.12	1330	Subdv Open	R20			Vacant Lot		
32268	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	29	OSPREY DR	123	1800	29	3.03	1330	Subdv Open	R40	Open Space	Conservation Commission			
163926	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	63	PARTRIDGE HOLLOW RD	122	1850	63	1.02	1330	Subdv Open	R40	Open Space	Parks & Recreation Commission			
163920	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	64	PARTRIDGE HOLLOW RD	122	1850	64	1.52	1330	Subdv Open	R40	Open Space	Parks & Recreation Commission			

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32249	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	41	PHEASANT RUN DR	109	1910	41	0.34	903V	Municipal M00	R20	Open Space / Wetlands	Conservation Commission	Pheasant Run Homeowner's Assoc.?		
150481	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	454	PUMPKIN HILL RD	115	1960	454	1.28	903V	Municipal M00	R60	Open Space	Conservation Commission			
164405	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	542	PUMPKIN HILL RD	100	1960	542	1.30	903V	Municipal M00	R40	Open Space	Parks & Recreation Commission			
	G GROTON TOWN OF	328R	PUMPKIN HILL RD	143	1960	328R	1.1	903V	Municipal M00	R60				106/950	
403700	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	5	RAVENWOOD ROW	49	2020	5	2.42	903V	Municipal M00	R40	Open Space	Conservation Commission			
403710	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	10	ROBIN LN	85	2090	10	0.09	903V	Municipal M00	R20	Walkway to Playground	Mayor/ Public Works			
550	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	1479	ROUTE 12	120	2120	1479	19.91	903V	Municipal M00	R40			Vacant Lot		
1350	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	1567	ROUTE 12	107	2120	1567	1.95	903V	Municipal M00	GFDD			Vacant Lot		
403725	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	1854	ROUTE 12	48	2120	1854	38.30	9033	Public Sch M94	R40	Juliet Long, Gales Ferry & Middle Schools	BOE			
403750	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	1864	ROUTE 12	48	2120	1864	2.45	903V	Municipal M00	R40	Judge Crandall Field	Parks & Recreation Commission			
403775	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	3	ROYAL OAKS DR	2	2140	3	0.11	903V	Municipal M00	R20	Open Space - Stream	Conservation Commission			
403800	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	4	ROYAL OAKS DR	2	2140	4	1.53	903V	Municipal M00	R20	Open Space - Stream	Conservation Commission			
		13	ROYAL OAKS DR				0.12				Boat Launch, Has no account or lot Number Auto Id # is 6039	Parks & Recreation Commission		Water ?	WPCA
164476	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	7A	SABLE DR	97	2145	7	0.34	903V	Municipal M00	R40			Vacant Lot	Water ?	WPCA
164475	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	15A	SABLE DR	97	2145	15	0.20	903V	Municipal M00	R40			Vacant Lot	Water ?	WPCA
164303	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	38	SABLE DR	97	2145	38	2.97	903V	Municipal M00	R40			Vacant Lot		
	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	32A	SAW MILL DR	70	2190	32A	0.19	903V	Municipal M00	R60	Future Road ext			196/710	

LIST OF REAL PROPERTIES OWNED OR LEASED
BY THE TOWN OF LEDYARD

Account Number	Owners Name	Street # Index	Street Name	Map	Block	Lot	Land Area in Acres	Use Code	Use Descript	Zone	Description	Admin Control	Status of previously unlisted Property	Other Info	Recommendation for admin control
36302	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	10	SAW MILL DR	70	2190	10	0.66	903V	Municipal M00	R40	Open Space	Conservation Commission			
163702	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	23A	SAW MILL DR	70	2190	23	0.62	903V	Municipal M00	R60	Open Space	Conservation Commission			
163693	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	29A	SAW MILL DR	70	2190	29	0.75	903V	Municipal M00	R60	Open Space	Conservation Commission			
403805	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	32A	SAW MILL DR	70	2190	32	0.19	903V	Municipal M00	R60	Future Road Right of Way	Conservation Commission			
164080	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	480	SHEWVILLE RD	102	2210	480	11.46	903I	Municipal M96	R60	Loftus Wellfield / Open Space	Conservation Commission /WPCA			
103764	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	631	SHEWVILLE RD	71	2210	631	3.64	903V	Municipal M00	R60	Abuts Highland Lake on the East side	Parks & Recreation Commission			
403810	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	639	SHEWVILLE RD	71	2210	639	13.66	903V	Municipal M00	R60	Abuts Highland Lake	Parks & Recreation Commission			
403811	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	639R	SHEWVILLE RD	71	2210	639	0.40	903I	Municipal M96	R60	Within 631 Shewville Rd	Parks & Recreation Commission			
403815	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	657R	SHEWVILLE RD	71	2210	657	14.65	903V	Municipal M00	R60	Municipal MDL 00	Conservation Commission			
134120	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	979	SHEWVILLE RD	18	2210	979	2.39	903V	Municipal M00	R60	Landlocked Open Space				
403812	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	990	SHEWVILLE RD	7	2210	990	9.65	903V	Municipal M00	R60	White Hall Park	Conservation Commission			
403813	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	1020	SHEWVILLE RD	7	2210	1020	21.12	903V	Municipal M00	R60	White Hall Park	Conservation Commission		194/868	
	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	1007	SHEWVILLE RD	7	2210	1007	0.43	903V	Municipal M00	R60				560/789	
164594	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	175	SPICER HILL RD	69	2300	175	2.60	903V	Municipal M00	R40	Open Space	Parks & Recreation Commission			
	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	5	SPOUT RUN	29	2310	5	3	903V	Municipal M00	R40				560/783	
403875	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	130R	STODDARDS WHARF RD	51	2360	130	0.34	903V	Municipal M00	R60		Parks & Recreation Commission			
164376	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	154R	STODDARDS WHARF RD	50	2360	154	5.36	903V	Municipal M00	R60	Vacant MDL 00	Conservation Commission			
403885	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	212	STODDARDS WHARF RD	50	2360	212	14.39	903V	Municipal M00	R40	Pfizer's Field	Parks & Recreation Commission			
403900	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	15	TANGLEWOOD DR	64	2450	15	3.09	903V	Municipal M00	R40	Undeveloped	Conservation Commission			

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69150	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	25	TERRY RD	77	2460	25	0.69	903V	Municipal M00	R20	Unbuildable - Open Space	Conservation Commission			
69151	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	27	TERRY RD	77	2460	27	0.67	903V	Municipal M00	R20	Unbuildable - Open Space	Conservation Commission			
403915	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	71	TOWN FARM RD	86	2510	71	10.25	903V	Municipal M00	R40	Open Space	Parks & Recreation			
403910	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	82	TOWN FARM RD	87	2510	82	60.41	9030	Municipal M94	R60	WWFP & WPCA HQ	WPCA			
403950	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	89	TOWN FARM RD	87	2510	89	8.21	903V	Municipal M00	R60	Town Farm Pond	WPCA			
403925	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	90	TOWN FARM RD	87	2510	90	2.26	9062	Cemetery	R60	Poor Cemetery	Cemetery Committee			
164490	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	15A	TUCKERS RUN	25	2515	15A	0.39	903V	Municipal M00	R40	Open Space & Drainage	Conservation Commission			Conservation Commission
403974	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	12	VAN TASSELL DR	107	2520	12	7.70	9030	Municipal M94	R40	Senior Center	Permanent Commission for Senior Citizens			Conservation Commission
102150	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	8	VILLAGE DR	53	2530	8	2.88	903V	Municipal M00	R40			Vacant Lot		
126205	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	30	VILLAGE DR	53	2530	30	1.21	903V	Municipal M00	R40			Vacant Lot		
403975	I TOWN OF LEDYARD	153	VINEGAR HILL RD	93	2540	153	108.94	903R	Municipal M01	R40	Nathan Lester House & Ledyard Oak	Historic District Commission			



TOWN OF LEDYARD

741 Colonel Ledyard
Highway
Ledyard, CT 06339-1511

File #: 22-018

Agenda Date: 2/6/2023

Agenda #: 2.

LAND USE

Subject/Application:

Continued discussion regarding the progress of enforcing regulations to address blight issues.

Background:

The purpose for the LUPPW Committee to review the status of Blight issues was to monitor how effective Ordinance #300-012 (rev 1) 300-012 “*An Ordinance Concerning Blight and Public Nuisance for the Town of Ledyard*” was and to see if the Ordinance needed to be adjusted.

Meeting Action Detail:

Land Use/Planning/Public Works Committee Meeting 01/09/2023:

File #: [22018](#) Version: 1

Type: Land Use

Title: Continued discussion regarding the progress of enforcing regulations to address blight issues.

Action: No Action

Minute Note:

Councilor Paul stated the purpose of keeping the regulations to address blight issues on the Committee’s Agenda was to monitor how effective Ordinance #300-012 (rev 1) was; and to see if the Ordinance needed to be adjusted.

Mayor Allyn, III, stated he thought the provisions provided in Ordinance #300-012 (rev 1) were effective. He stated Zoning Enforcement Officer/Blight Officer John Herring retired on December 31, 2022 and that the town was actively working to fill the position. He stated prior to his resignation Mr. Herring issued a numberer of *Notice of Blight Violations*. He stated some of the violations were substantial and that a number of properties have come into compliance. However, he stated that there were still some properties that required a lot of work for them to come into compliance.

Councilor Rodriguez addressed the time to hire a new Zoning Enforcement Officer and she questioned during the interim whether Mr. Mike Cherry would be willing to once again step-in as the Interim Zoning Enforcement Officer.

Mayor Allyn explained that Zoning Enforcement Officer/Blight Officer John Herring retired a little earlier than he had initially planned too was because the State passed Legislation that required all Zoning Enforcement Officers to

be Connecticut Association of Zoning Enforcement (CAZEO) Certified by January 1, 2023. He stated although Mr. Herring was not CAZEO Certified that he was very good and knew the job. He went on to explain CAZEO was a 100% Volunteer Organization and that CAZEO was inundated with people who needed to get their certification, after the Legislation was passed. He explained that the CAZEO Registration was limited to 40 people, with a first come, first serve enrollment. He stated because CAZEO could not accommodate all those who needed the education by January 1, 2023, that there were a lot of people who were working as Zoning Enforcement Officials that could not receive the Certification to meet the new Legislation. He went on to explain that Legislation has already been proposed to extend the January 1, 2023 CAZEO Certification deadline date to 2024 or 2025. Therefore, he stated Mr. Cherry would not be returning to serve as the Interim Zoning Enforcement Officer, noting that this piece of Legislation has put a wrinkle in terms of trying to fill these types of municipal land use positions.

Action: Discussed

Land Use/Planning/Public Works Committee Meeting 12/05/2022:

File #: [22018](#) Version: 1

Type: Land Use

Title: Continued discussion regarding the progress of enforcing regulations to address blight issues.

Action: Discussed

Minute Note:

Councilor Rodriguez noted at the LUPPW Committee's November 7, 2022 meeting that Land Use Director Juliet Hodge stated in working to address blighted properties that they found that Ordinance #300-012 (rev 1) "*An Ordinance Concerning Blight and Public Nuisance for the Town of Ledyard*" needed to be updated.

Chairman Dombrowski stated the main reason there has not been much Blight Enforcement activity was because the Land Use Department has been short staffed for a quite some time. He went on to note that the reasons the LUPPW Committee had this item on their agenda was:

- To be aware of whether blight issues were being identified and addressed, not to necessarily be informed of the location, etc.; and
- To monitor how effective Ordinance #300-012 (rev 1) was; and to see if the Ordinance needed to be adjusted.

Chairman Dombrowski continued by stating that the goal in addressing blighted properties was to obtain voluntary compliance, without having to invoke the provisions in the Ordinance. He went on to state that fortunately most property owners were coming into compliance voluntarily, once they were notified that their property was in violation of the Blight Ordinance.

Action: Discussed

Land Use/Planning/Public Works Committee Meeting 11/07/2022:

File #: [22018](#) Version: 1

Type: Land Use

Title: Continued discussion regarding the progress of enforcing regulations to address blight issues.

Action: No Action

Minute Note:

Chairman Dombrowski stated Zoning Enforcement Officer Tom Weber has provided a Blight Report for tonight's meeting.

Land Use Director Juliet Hodge stated that there has been a lot of blight activity. She stated in working to address blighted properties that they found that Ordinance #300-012 (rev 1) "*An Ordinance Concerning Blight and Public Nuisance for the Town of Ledyard*" needed to be updated.

Chairman Dombrowski stated the reason the blight issues has been included on the LUPPW Committee's agenda was mostly to monitor how effective Ordinance #300-012 (rev 1) was and to see if the Ordinance needed to be adjusted.

Land Use/Planning/Public Works Committee Meeting 10/03/2022:

File #: [22018](#) Version: 1

Type: Land Use

Title: Continued discussion regarding the progress of enforcing regulations to address blight issues.

Action: No Action

Minute Note:

Councilor Paul stated Blight Reports would be provided on a quarterly basis.

Action: No Action

Land Use/Planning/Public Works Committee Meeting 9/13/2022:

File #: [22018](#) Version: 1

Type: Land Use

Title: Continued discussion regarding the progress of enforcing regulations to address blight issues.

Action: No Action

Action: No Action


Minute Notes:


The LUPPW Committee noted that the Zoning Official would be providing Blight Reports on a quarterly basis, which would help the Committee determine whether Ordinance # 300-011 (rev.1) “*An Ordinance Concerning Blight and Public Nuisance for the Town of Ledyard*” was continuing to be effective.

LUPPW Cmt Meeting 8/1/2022

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Ordinance #300-012 (rev-1)

AN ORDINANCE
CONCERNING BLIGHT AND PUBLIC NUISANCE
FOR THE TOWN OF LEDYARD

Section 1. Purpose/Declaration

It is hereby found and declared that there exist in the Town of Ledyard a number of blighted properties and that continued existence of blighted properties constitutes a continuing nuisance and contributes to the decline of our neighborhoods. Existence of blighted properties adversely affects the economic well-being of the Town of Ledyard.

Section 2. Authority

This Ordinance is enacted pursuant to the Connecticut General Statutes (C.G.S.), Section 7-148(c)(7) and Section 14-150a. This Ordinance is to be enforced as a blight ordinance, pursuant to Section 7-148(c)(7)(H)(xv), and as a nuisance ordinance, pursuant to C.G.S. Section 7-148(c)(7)(E).

Section 3. Scope of Provisions

Many of the blighted properties may be rehabilitated, reconstructed, demolished, cleaned up, groomed, maintained, returned to satisfactory condition or reused to provide decent, safe, sanitary housing or commercial facilities. Such rehabilitation, reconstruction, demolition, cleanup or reuse of the blighted and nuisance properties would eliminate, remedy and prevent adverse conditions.

This Ordinance shall apply to the maintenance of all properties now in existence or hereafter constructed, maintained, or modified but shall exclude: agricultural lands as defined in Section 22-3(b) of the Connecticut General Statutes, land preserved in its natural state through conservation easements, or areas designated as inland wetlands and watercourses.

Section 4. Definitions

For the purpose of this Ordinance, the following words, terms and phrases shall have the following meanings, unless the context indicates otherwise:

- A. Legal Occupancy - Occupancy in accordance with state building, state fire, local zoning, or all other pertinent codes and Connecticut General Statutes.
- B. New Owner Or New Occupant - Per PA 12-146(3)(b), "new owner" means any person or entity who has taken title to a property, and "new occupant" means any person who has taken occupancy of a property, within thirty days of the notice, of violation and reasonable opportunity to remediate required by C.G.S. 7-148 (c) (7)(h)(xv).
- C. Dilapidated - Any building or structure or part thereof that would not qualify for a Certificate of Occupancy or which is deemed an unsafe structure as defined in the Connecticut State Building Code, or any dwelling or unit which is designated as unfit or unsafe for human habitation as defined by the Connecticut Health Code.
- D. Abandoned Motor Vehicle or Marine Vessel - Any motor vehicle or marine vessel which has the appearance that the owner has relinquished control without the intent of reclaiming it including but not limited to, a vehicle or marine vessel with no marker plates, or one

E. Abandoned Property - Any real property on which there is a vacant structure and on which (1) real property taxes have been delinquent for one year or more and orders have been issued by the Fire Marshal, Building and Zoning Official or Health District and there has been no compliance with these orders within the prescribed time given by such official or within 90 days, whichever is longer, (2) the owner has declared in writing to the Building and Zoning Official that the property is abandoned or (3) there has been a determination by the Zoning Official, in accordance with this Ordinance, that the vacant structure contributes to blight.

F. Blighted Property -Any building, structure or parcel of land in or on which at least one of the following conditions exists:

1. It is dilapidated as documented by the Building and Zoning Official.
2. It is being used for or used as storage or harbor for illegal activity as documented by the Police Department, including criminal activities per investigations, arrest warrant applications and actual arrest convictions.
3. It is a fire hazard as determined by the Fire Marshal or as documented by the Fire Department.
4. The condition of the building, structure or parcel of land constitutes an unsafe structure as defined by the Connecticut Building Code and poses a serious or immediate danger to the safety, health or general welfare of the community as documented by the Building and Zoning Official or by the Health District.
5. It is not being adequately maintained, as determined by the following factors:
 - a. missing or boarded windows or doors, collapsing or missing walls, roof or floors,
 - b. seriously damaged or missing siding, or the building is otherwise dilapidated,
 - c. a structurally faulty foundation, fire damage, or physical hazards,
 - d. rodent harborage and infestation, improper storage of garbage, trash, rubbish, discarded household appliance or furniture, tires, discarded motor vehicle parts,
 - e. an overgrown plot of grass, customarily tended or mowed, adjacent to and/or part of a residence, business, commercial entity, or estate, wherein the grass has not been mowed and has grown to at least nine inches in length,
 - f. peeling or chipping paint exceeding thirty-three percent (33%) of the structure's total exposed surface area.
6. Any unregistered, abandoned or inoperable motor vehicle or marine vessel located on a parcel of land for a period exceeding 30 days.

Exceptions:

- a. Vehicles or marine vessels under cover. One unregistered motor vehicle or marine vessel being offered for sale by the owner or tenant provided said motor vehicle or vessel does not remain on the same property for a period exceeding 60 days.
- b. Motor vehicles located on a property of a business enterprise lawfully licensed by the Town of Ledyard and Connecticut Department of Motor Vehicles.
- c. Any motor vehicle, which is in operable condition specifically adapted or

- i. Only two such vehicles or vessels shall be allowed at one time on the property in question.
- ii. Parts used in the restoration must be stored in the vehicle or marine vessel or in a structure.
- iii. Such motor vehicles or marine vessels shall be covered and secured with a cover or tarp, provided the tarp is securely attached whenever work is not being done on them.
- iv. The brush and growth under and around the motor vehicle(s) or marine vessel(s) shall be controlled and mowed.

7. It creates substantial and unreasonable interference with the reasonable and lawful use and enjoyment of other space within the neighborhood as documented by neighborhood complaints, which complaints have been independently substantiated.

8. Its inadequate maintenance or dilapidated condition has led to the cancellation of insurance on proximate properties.

9. Its inadequate maintenance or dilapidated condition has materially contributed to a decline or diminution in property values on proximate properties.

10. It is adjacent to a sidewalk, for which the property's owner, agent, tenant or responsible person is responsible for maintaining safe conditions for the use of the public pursuant to ordinances and regulations of the Town of Ledyard, and its sidewalk is in any way obstructed by or littered with any substance, including trees, bushes, overgrowth, leaves, gravel, dirt, rubbish, garbage, bulky waste or trash, which would in any way impede or imperil public travel upon said sidewalk or render it unsafe.

11. It attracts or harbors rodents, insects, vermin or disease-carrying animals.

G. Building and Zoning Official - Building Official as defined in C.G.S., Section 29-260.

H. Citation Hearing Committee - The Mayor shall appoint one or more Citation Hearing Officer(s), as defined in and pursuant to C.G.S., Section 7-152c to serve on the Citation Hearing Committee.

I. Enforcement Officer - The Enforcement Officer(s) are those authorized by the Mayor to take such enforcement actions and to issue citations as specified in this Ordinance.

J. Exempt Property - Any property acquired by the Town of Ledyard through foreclosure, eminent domain, or by a deed in lieu of foreclosure would be exempt from the provisions of this Ordinance only during the first six (6) months following the date of the foreclosure, and any building or structure undergoing remodeling being diligently conducted and pursued under an active building permit would only be exempt during such remodeling period.

K. Inoperable Motor Vehicle or Marine Vessel - Any motor vehicle or marine vessel that is incapable of performing the function for which it was designed by virtue of missing parts or broken or severely damaged components.

L. Marine Vessel - A ship, boat or other craft used in water navigation

M. Motor Vehicle - Any device propelled by any power other than human power that is or was

- N. Neighborhood - An area of the Town of Ledyard comprised of premises or parcels of land any part of which is within a radius of 800 feet of any part of another parcel or lot within the Town of Ledyard.
- O. Public View - Visible from any public right of way or neighboring property.
- P. Sidewalk. Any public way adjacent to streets, highways and those public rights of ways used for vehicular traffic that are used for pedestrian traffic.
- Q. Under Cover Completely enclosed in a garage or other building serving the same purpose of a garage.
- R. Unregistered Motor Vehicle or Marine Vessel Any motor vehicle or marine vessel that in its present condition is able to be registered but does not have a valid registration.
- S. Vacant - A period of sixty (60) days or longer during which a building subject to this Ordinance is not legally occupied. Vacant status in and of itself does not constitute a blighted building.

Section 5. Designation of Blighted Property

- A. The Enforcement Officer(s) shall be responsible for determining whether a property which comes to the attention of the Town, whether through written complaint or through the normal operations of the Town, is blighted according to the definitions in this Ordinance.
- B. The Enforcement Officer(s) shall investigate and document conditions of blight, if any, and file a written report with the Mayor or his/her designee. The Enforcement Officer's report shall state whether or not the property is a blighted property within the meaning of this Ordinance. Such report shall be kept by the Town and may be available to the property owner upon request.

Section 6. Property Owner Notification

- 1. Whenever the Town of Ledyard identifies a blighted premises, written notice of the violation shall be given to the owner and/or the occupant of the property, by posting a notice of the violation in a conspicuous location at the blighted premises, and delivering a copy of the notice of the violation to an owner, either by hand delivery or by mail. Said notice shall specify that the owner or occupant has seven days, from the date notice was posted and mailed, to remediate the blighted conditions, or the Town will take enforcement action. In the case of an unidentified owner or one whose address is unknown, the Enforcement Officer shall publish a notice in a local newspaper stating the property is cited for blight and, if applicable, whether the property has been determined to be abandoned.

The notice shall contain the following information:

- a. The address of the affected property.
- b. The exact nature of the violation.
- c. The time allowed for corrective action shall be in accordance with CGS 7-148.
- d. The penalty for continued violation of this Ordinance.
- e. The availability of a hearing procedure before the Blight Appeals Committee pursuant to CGS 7-152c; and
- f. The penalty for violation of this ordinance shall be \$100 for each day that a violation continues.

3. After the expiration of the seven-day period specified in subsection (A) of this section and without the alternate timetable specified in subsection (B) above, the Town of Ledyard, through its designated agents, may enter blighted premises during reasonable hours for the purposes of remediating blighted conditions, provided neither the Town of Ledyard, nor its designated agents, enter any dwelling house or structure on such property. Costs associated with the remediation of blight may be recovered by the Town in accordance with C.G.S. Section 49-73(b).

Section 7. Creation or Continuation of Blighted Property Prohibited

No person, firm or corporation, no owner, agent, tenant, operator, possessor of real property, and no other person responsible for the care, maintenance and/or condition of real property, shall cause or allow any blighted property, as defined in Section II of this Ordinance, to be created or continued.

Section 8. Enforcement: Criminal Violations And Civil Penalties

- A. Criminal Violations: Pursuant to C.G.S. 7-148 (c) (7) (H) (xv), any person or entity who, after written notice and a reasonable opportunity to remediate blighted conditions as specified in Section 6(A) of this Ordinance, willfully violates Section 4 of this Ordinance, may be fined by the State of Connecticut not more than two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00) for each day for which it can be shown, based upon an actual inspection of the property on each such day, the blighted conditions continued to exist after written notice to the owner or occupant, as provided in Section 6 (A). This section is designated as a violation pursuant to C.G.S. 53a-27.
 1. No person or entity shall be found guilty of a violation pursuant to Section 7 (A) and a civil penalty pursuant to Section 7 (B) of this Ordinance for the same occurrence.
 2. Any person who is a new owner or occupant shall, upon request, be granted a thirty-day extension of the notice and opportunity to remediate, provided pursuant to Section 6(A), prior to imposition of a fine; if the blight is remediated during said extension, the case shall be dismissed.
- B. Civil Penalties: Any person or entity who fails to comply with Section 4 of this ordinance, and, thereafter, fails to remediate the blighted conditions within five days of the notice provided pursuant to Section 6 (A) may be assessed a civil penalty for each building, structure or parcel of land in violation of this Ordinance. The amount of the civil penalty shall be one hundred dollars (\$100.00) per day. Each day a building, structure or parcel of land remains in violation of this Ordinance shall constitute grounds for the assessment of a separate civil penalty. The issuing officer shall deliver written notice of the civil penalty, either by hand delivery or by mail, to the owner or occupant responsible for the blighted premises. Said notice will include the nature of the violation and the penalty being assessed.
 1. Penalties assessed pursuant to subsection (B) of this section shall be enforceable by citation pursuant to C.G.S. Section 7-152c.
 2. Persons or entities assessed a penalty pursuant to subsection (B) of this section shall remit fines for said violation within ten (10) days of the mailing of notice thereof. The fine imposed shall be payable to the Town of Ledyard. Uncontested payments received pursuant to this subsection shall be inadmissible in any proceeding, civil or criminal, to establish the conduct of the person or entity making the payment.

Section 9. Civil Penalty Citation Hearing Procedure

- A. Notification of right to hearing. At the time that the civil penalty is assessed, the person

1. that the owner may request a hearing to contest the determination of blight and/or the assessed penalty,
2. that the owner must provide a written request for such a hearing within ten days of the date of notification,
3. that if the property owner does not demand such a hearing, an assessment and judgment shall be entered against the property owner
4. that the judgment may be issued without further notice.

B. Rights of the Respondent

1. Admission of Liability. If the property owner who is sent notice pursuant to subsection (A) above wishes to admit liability for any alleged violation, the owner may, without requesting a hearing, pay the full amount of the fines, penalties, costs or fees admitted to in person or by mail in accordance with Section 7 (A) (2) above and remediate the blighted property. Payment shall be inadmissible in any proceeding, civil or criminal, to establish the conduct of the property owner making the payment.
 2. Constructive Admission of Liability. Any person or entity who fails to deliver or mail written demand for a hearing within ten days of the date of the first notice provided for in subsection A above shall be deemed to have admitted liability, and the Citation Hearing Board shall certify the property owner's failure to respond to the Citation Hearing Board. The Citation Hearing Board shall thereupon enter and assess the fines, penalties, costs or fees provided for in this ordinance including per diem penalties retroactive to the original date of expected remediation as specified in Section 6(A) and shall follow the procedures set forth in Section 8 (C) of this ordinance.
 3. Right to Hearing. Any person or entity who requests a hearing shall be given written notice of the date, time and place for the hearing. The hearing shall be held not less than fifteen days, nor more than thirty days, from the date of the mailing of notice, provided, the Citation Hearing Board may grant, upon good cause shown, any reasonable request by any interested party for continuance.
- C. Formal Hearing Procedure. The Citation Hearing Officer shall preside over a hearing which shall be held in the manner outlined in Connecticut General Statutes, Section 7-152c. The Citation Hearing Officer shall render the decision in writing and file it within five days with the Enforcement Officer, the Mayor, and send it by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the property owner or other responsible person and to all parties in the proceedings. The Citation Hearing Officer may decide one of the following:
1. Dismissal. If the Citation Hearing Officer determines that the respondent is not liable, the Citation Hearing Officer shall dismiss the matter, and enter the determination in writing.
 2. Finding of Liability: Assessment. If the Citation Hearing Officer determines that the respondent is liable for the violation, the Citation Hearing Officer shall enter and assess the fines, penalties, costs or fees against the respondent, as provided by the Section 7 (A) including per diem penalties retroactive to the expected date of remediation as set forth in Section 5 (A).

D. Notice of Assessment; Effect.

1. Assessments must be paid to the Town of Ledyard within 10 days of receipt of the Citation Hearing Officer's determination.

judicial district civil courthouse), together with the appropriate entry fee. The certified copy of the notice of assessment shall constitute a record of assessment. Within the twelve-month period, assessments against the same person may be accrued and filed as one record of assessment.

- a. Entry of judgment. The court clerk shall enter judgment in the amount of the record of assessment, and court costs, allowed by the General Statutes, in favor of the Town pursuant to C.G.S. 7152(c).
 - b. Effect of judgment; levy of execution permitted. Notwithstanding any provision of the General Statutes, the Citation Hearing Officer's assessment, when so entered as a judgment, shall have effect of a civil monetary judgment, and a levy of execution on the judgment may issue without further notice, to the respondent.
- E. A decision of the Citation Hearing Officer may be appealed to Superior Court in accordance with the provisions of C.G.S., Section 7-152c(g).

Section 10. Failure to Respond to Citation

- A. If the property owner, agent, tenant or responsible person fails to respond to the citation of blight or is unwilling or unable to rehabilitate, demolish, groom, or maintain the blighted property according to the provisions of this Ordinance, the Town may:
1. Take the necessary steps to acquire blighted properties, which have been certified by the Building and Zoning Official to be abandoned pursuant to the Urban Homestead Act of the Connecticut General Statutes.
 2. Take the necessary steps to acquire and rehabilitate the blighted premises in accordance with the Town of Ledyard Plan of Conservation and Development.
 3. Take the necessary steps to acquire blighted properties using other state or federal means as they may be available.

Section 11. Removal of Abandoned, Inoperable or Unregistered Motor Vehicles

For all properties declared blighted properties within the meaning of this Ordinance as a result of the presence of an abandoned, inoperable or unregistered motor vehicle, which blighted condition has remained in effect for thirty (30) days or which motor vehicle has remained abandoned, inoperable or unregistered on site for thirty (30) days after:

1. Notice by hand delivery or by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the last known address of the owner of the property on which such motor vehicle remains, or the owner of the abandoned motor vehicle, if different from the owner of the property requesting the removal of such motor vehicle; and
2. Notice in a newspaper having a general circulation in the Town of Ledyard.

The Chief of Police may provide for the removal and storage of said motor vehicle or parts thereof. The costs of the removal and storage of said motor vehicle or parts thereof and the costs of notices shall be borne by the owner of the property from which the motor vehicle or parts thereof are removed or, if the owner of the property is not the owner of the abandoned motor vehicle, by the owner of the abandoned motor vehicle.

Any motor vehicle that is removed pursuant to this Ordinance may not be returned to the same property unless it has been made operable and has been registered.

If the costs of the removal and storage of the motor vehicle remain unpaid for a period of thirty (30) days, the Chief of Police may and shall provide for the removal and storage of the motor vehicle.

Ledyard at least ten (10) days prior to said auction date. The proceeds of such sale will be used by the Chief of Police to defray the costs of removal, storage and notice. If there should be any money left over after the payment of said costs, the excess proceeds shall be turned over to the owner of the property involved, or if the owner of the property is different from the owner of the abandoned motor vehicle, or if neither property is known, said funds shall be deposited in the General Fund of the municipality.

Any person aggrieved by a notice requesting the removal of a motor vehicle or by the removal of same may, within 15 days of receipt of notice, appeal said ruling to the Citation Hearing Officer. Said appeal shall be heard and appeals may be taken from any such hearing in accordance with the procedures as set forth in the C.G.S., Section 7152c.

Section 12. Collection of Fines Imposed and Costs Incurred

- A. All fines imposed for violation of this Ordinance shall be payable to the Town of Ledyard and deposited in the General Fund.
- B. Upon petition of the property owner, the Town Council may waive and release the penalties and liens (excluding motor vehicle violations) if:
 - 1. The Town of Ledyard acquires the property; or
 - 2. At the time of the sale of the blighted property, in the Town Council's opinion, the buyer has the financial ability and intention and has indicated in writing to the Town Council his, her, or its intent to immediately rehabilitate the blighted property. Failure to rehabilitate the blighted property, within the agreed upon timeframe will result in reinstatement of the previous penalties and liens as well as accrual of additional penalties and liens from the date of the waiver.
- C. Pursuant to C.G.S., Section 7-148aa, any unpaid fine imposed pursuant to this Ordinance shall constitute a lien upon the real estate against which the fine was imposed from the date of such fine. In addition, pursuant to C.G.S. 49-73, any expenses incurred by the Town pursuant to this Ordinance shall be subject to a lien. Said lien may be foreclosed upon and enforced in the same manner as property tax liens. The Town of Ledyard Tax Collector is hereby empowered to place a lien on the land records in the manner as specified by Connecticut General Statutes provided a copy of said lien is mailed by first class mail to the owner as set forth on the most recent tax assessment list.

Section 13. Municipal Abatement

In any action to enforce this Ordinance or to enforce any violation hereof, including the failure to pay a fine or penalty, the Town of Ledyard may recover its costs, any and all fines provided for herein, equitable and legal relief, along with any reasonable attorney fees and its witness fees and such other relief as permitted by law.

Section 14. Administrative Responsibility

The Enforcement Officer(s) may prescribe administrative procedures necessary for the purpose of effectuating this Ordinance, which procedure shall be approved by the Town Council.

Section 15. Severability

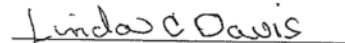
If any section, or part of a section, of this Ordinance shall be held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such holding shall not be deemed to invalidate the remaining provisions hereof.


Section 16. Violation

Section 17. Effective Date

In accordance with the Town Charter this ordinance shall become effective on the twenty-first (21st) day after such publication following its final passage.

Amended, Adopted and by the Ledyard Town Council on: October 23, 2019

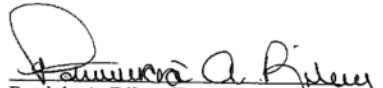

Linda C. Davis, Chairman


Fred Allyn, III, Mayor

Approved/Disapproved on: 10/24/2019

Published on: October 31, 2019

Effective Date: November 21, 2019


Patricia A. Riley, Town Clerk

Revision: Ordinance #130 "*Town of Ledyard Blight Ordinance*" Adopted March 12, 2013.

History: The Twenty-fourth Town Council (2017- 2019) Ordinance Update Initiative: Renumbered Ordinance #130 "*Town of Ledyard Blight Ordinance*" to Ordinance #300-012. No changes were made to the Ordinance (Town Council September 25, 2019 meeting).

2013: Ordinance #130 "*Town of Ledyard Blight Ordinance*" was adopted after several years of work and debate. The intent of the Ordinance is to protect property values by providing the town with another tool to deal with problem properties in town, such as foreclosed properties/bank owned properties that have not been maintained for years. The Ordinance provides the town with a tool to request the bank mow the grass, trim the hedges, etc., because the neighbors are affected by the unmaintained property. The Ordinance also enabled the Town to request certain commercial and industrial properties be cleaned up and be maintained. The intent of the Ordinance is not intended to cause conflict between neighbors.

2019: The "*An Ordinance Concerning Blight and Public Nuisance for the Town of Ledyard*" was a complete rewrite of the Town of "*Ledyard Blight Ordinance*", to more clearly define the intent.



TOWN OF LEDYARD

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File #: 22-020

Agenda Date: 2/6/2023

Agenda #: 3.

LAND USE

Subject/Application:

Status update regarding security and safety concerns regarding Park on East Drive

Background:

Residents have expressed concerns regarding illicit behavior and safety concerns at the Park on East Drive.

Residents have met with the Mayor Allyn, III, Police Chief John Rich, and Parks & Recreation Director Scott Johnson, Jr. to discuss some vulgar graffiti that had been painted in the park.

Many town departments have been involved to try to resolve issues, including the Mayor's Office, Police Department, Public Works Department, and the Parks & Recreation Department.

With the warmer weather activity at East Street Park was expected to increase the Police Department would be step up patrols.

Land Use Director/Town Planner:

(type text here)

Meeting Action Detail:

Land Use/Planning/Public Works Committee Meeting 01/09/2023:

File #: [22020](#) Version: 1

Type: Land Use

Title: Status update regarding security and safety concerns regarding Park on East Drive

Action: Continued

Minute Note:

Councilor Paul stated he visited the Park on East Drive and he noted the positive progress that has been made with the new lights, etc. He stated in speaking to Chief Rich regarding activity at the Park that the last call was in response to some rambunctious kids at the park in October, 2022. He stated Parks and Recreation and the Police Department have been doing a great job.

Councilor Rodriguez stated that she spoke with Mr. Jamison on January 8, 2023 noting that had the following comments:

- Parks and Recreation was doing a great job with locking the gate every night.
- The new lights were great.
- According to Mr. Jamison, the Police Departments response to the Park was 20-minutes. Mr. Jamison stated that:
 - Ledyard needed to hire more police to reduce response times; or
 - Request mutual aid from surrounding town's if the Ledyard's Police could not respond in a more-timely fashion.

Chairman Dombrowski noted with the winter weather and getting darker earlier that there has been less activity at the Park.

Councilor Marshall noted Mr. Jamison's comments that Councilor Rodriguez relayed regarding the Police Department's response time. He stated that Mr. Jamison's comments were unrealistic and not reasonable.

Councilor Paul stated the purpose of keeping the Park on East Drive on their agenda was to monitor the progress the Park improvements, noting that the discussion was regarding East Drive Park (Christy Hill Park).

Action: Continued

Land Use/Planning/Public Works Committee Meeting 12/05/2022:

File #: [22020](#) Version: 1

Type: Land Use

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Action: Continued

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Land Use/Planning/Public Works Committee Meeting 11/07/2022:

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Action: Continued

Minute Note:

Chairman Dombrowski noted in speaking to a resident that they were pleased with that the lights were working and that wood chips for the playscape area had arrived.

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Action: Continued

Land Use/Planning/Public Works Committee Meeting 10/03/2022:

File #: [22020](#) Version: 1

Type: Land Use

Title: Status update regarding security and safety concerns regarding Park on East Drive

Action: Continued

Minute Note:

Councilor Paul noted Mr. Jamison's e-mail dated September 27, 2022 which included photographs of the new lights. He stated the electricity has been connected to the poles and the lights looked beautiful.

Councilor Rodriguez stated they were making progress at the Park, noting that the lights have been installed and turned on and that the railroad ties have been delivered. She thanked Mr. Jamison for moving the ties out of the way of the swing set. She noted Parks & Recreation Director Scott Johnson, Jr. talked with the Mayor regarding the special type of paint that was required to cover the graffiti. She stated although progress was slow that it was being made. She stated she looked forward to seeing the Park next Spring, 2023 with the warmer weather.

Councilor Paul stated in his conversation with Parks & Recreation Director Scott Johnson, Jr. they discussed visiting the Park to see the lights turned on. He thanked Mr. and Mrs. Jamison for their interest in the Park and continued updates. He stated they were moving in the right direction.

LUPPW Cmt Meeting 9/19/2022

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Action: [No Action \(Continued\)](#)

Minute Note:

Councilor Rodriguez noted although the Parks & Recreation Commission had planned to hold their September 20, 2022 meeting at the Park on East Drive that there was a change in plans; noting that the Parks & Recreation Commission would not be holding their September meeting at the Park.

Councilor Paul, Liaison to the Parks & Recreation Commission, noted at tomorrow night's meeting he would ask the Parks & Recreation Commission whether they planned to reschedule holding one of their meetings at the Park on East Drive.

LUPPW Cmt Meeting 8/1/2022

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Councilor Paul noted the Community Relations cancelled their July 20, 2022 Regular Meeting and held an Informal Conversation with residents at the Park on East Drive. He stated about 15 residents attended the event along with many Town Councilors and Parks & Recreation Director Scott Johnson, Jr. He stated the idea was to discuss important issues regarding safety concerns at the Park. He noted at times the conversation was a bit contentious, but overall, it turned out to be a positive event, noting that they discussed a number of good ideas to bring back to their respective committees and the neighbors were encouraged to continue to talk to each other and to become more involved in the process as well. He stated although the progress has been slow that they have made some headway with the installation of additional lighting and brush removal. He stated they learned a lot about the Park and a lot about each other.

Councilor Rodriguez stated that she agreed that the Informal Conversation with residents at the Park on East Drive on July 20, 2022 was a little heated at times. However, she stated that they were moving in the right direction. She also noted that Parks & Recreation Director Scott Johnson, Jr. stated the Parks & Recreation Commission would hold their September 20, 2022 meeting at the Park on East Drive.

Action: [No Action \(Continued\)](#)

Roxanne Maher

From: William Saums
Sent: Tuesday, September 27, 2022 12:34 PM
To: William Jamieson Jr
Cc: Town Council Group; Kevin J. Davis; Blakely Elizabeth Jamieson; Fred Allyn, III; John Rich
Subject: RE: East Drive Park Update

Thanks Jamie. I may need to go read it again, but I thought there was some mention of wood chips. Are the ties there for containing wood chips? I could be very wrong....

-Bill

From: William Jamieson Jr <williamjamiesonjr@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, September 27, 2022 12:13 PM
To: William Saums <WSaums@ledyardct.org>
Cc: Town Council Group <TownCouncil@ledyardct.org>; Kevin J. Davis <kevin.j.davis@outlook.com>; Blakely Elizabeth Jamieson <blakelyelizabethjamieson@gmail.com>; Fred Allyn, III <mayor@ledyardct.org>; John Rich <chief.rich@ledyardct.org>
Subject: Re: East Drive Park Update

Hi Bill,
Thank you for the reply. The only mention of the Christy Hill park I see in the minutes is the lighting. Nothing else is addressed including the safety concerns of the exposed railroad ties in the middle of playground or the lumber the town dropped off in the middle of the play area and did not install.

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Subject: Re: East Drive Park Update

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Good Morning All,

There has been one update since the last email. The electric meter was finally installed and the lights powered up this week. They look great and I suspect will deter folks from trespassing at night. (See attached photo)

I am not sure if this email reached everyone as I only heard back from Mayor Fred over the last 7 days since I sent the previous email.

Respectfully,
The Jamieson's

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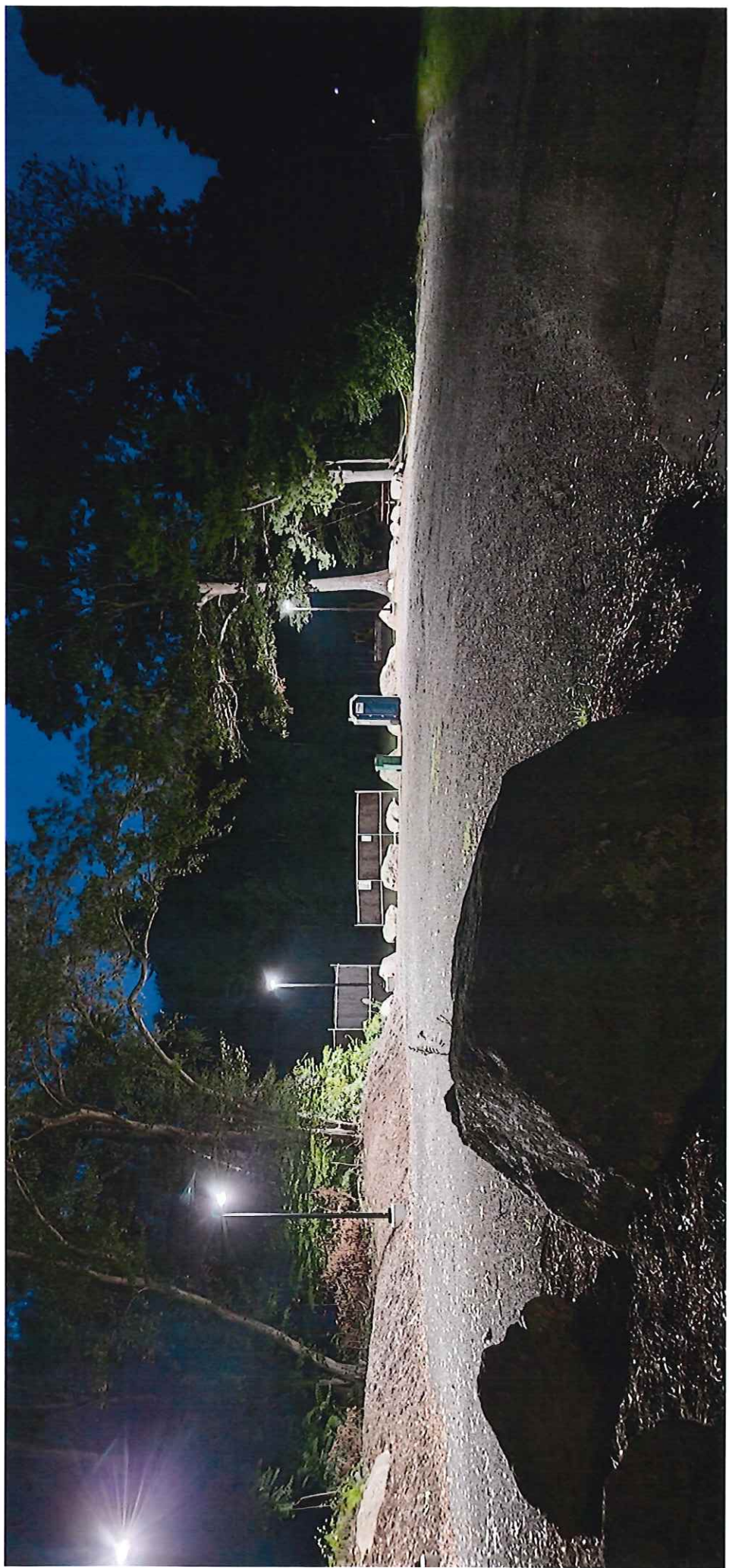
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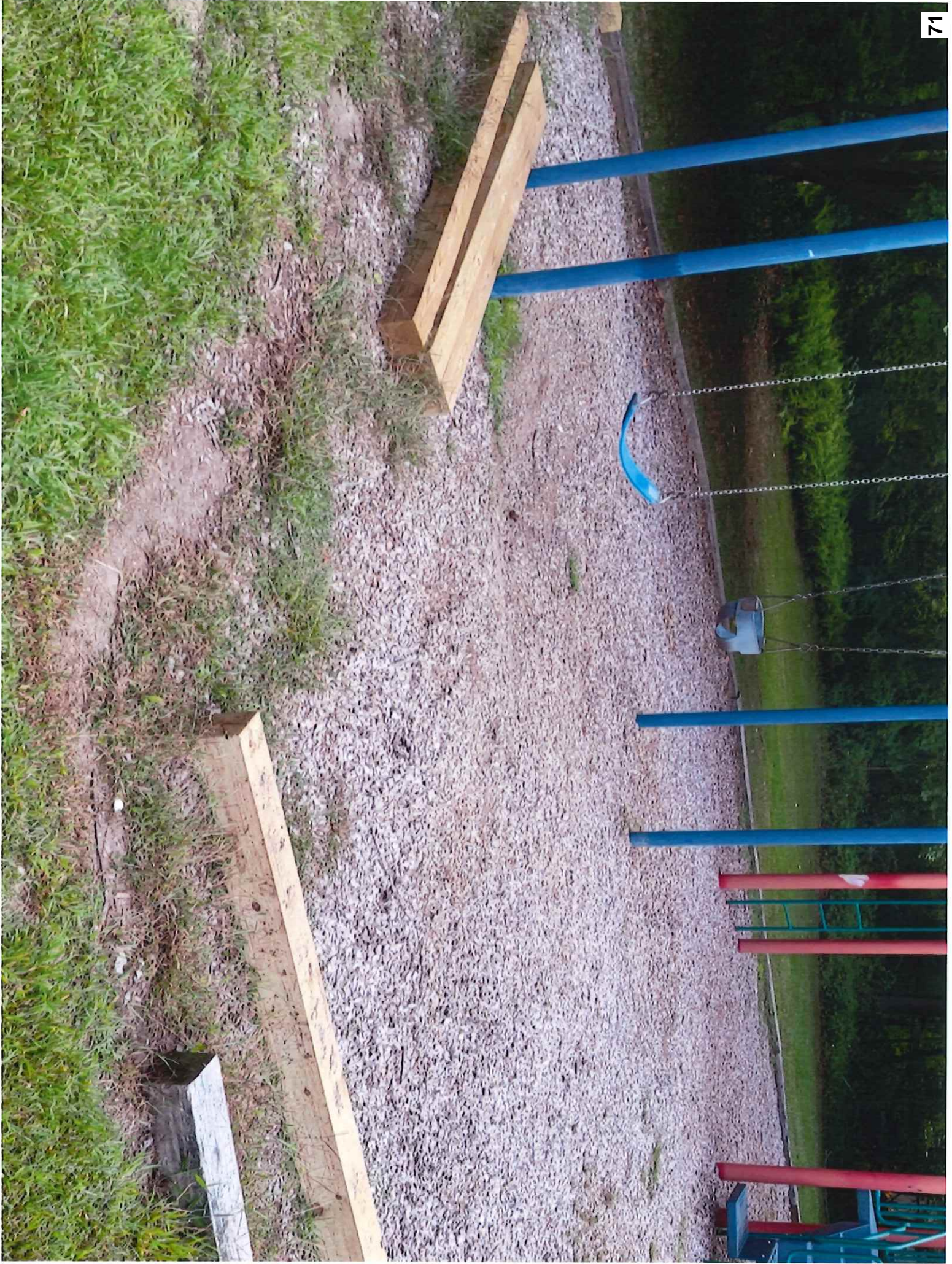




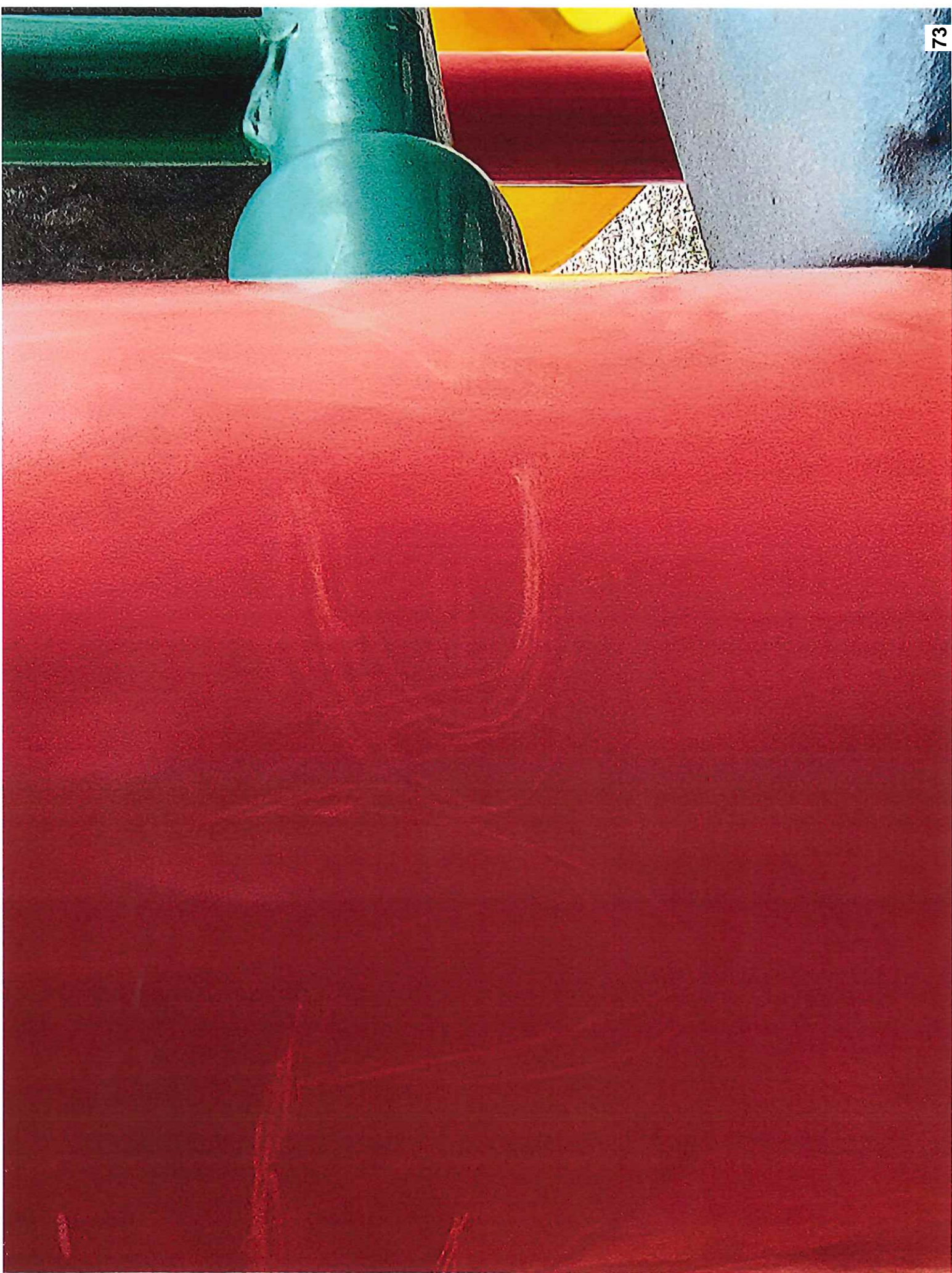










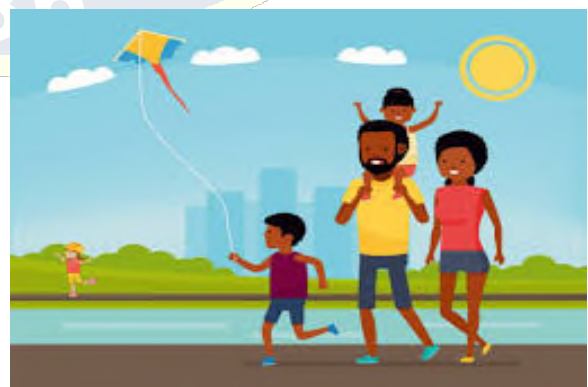




Park at East Drive
INFORMAL CONVERSATION
WEDNESDAY, JULY 20, 2022

6:30 p.m.

***Please Stop by and Join the
Community Relations Committee
in an informal conversation regarding
topics of interest to our community.
Your Comments are Important to us!***





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Chairman Kevin J. Dombrowski

July 7, 2022

Glen and Ms. Donna Miller
3 Ramblewood Drive
Gales Ferry Connecticut 06335

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Miller:

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Park on East Drive – Informal Conversation

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Debora S. Crane and Sarah A. McCarthy
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William and Blakely Jamieson
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10 East Drive
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Cameron M. Perl
12 East Drive
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24 Christy Hill Road
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107 Montauk Avenue
New London Connecticut 06320

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Mr. Stephanos Stravoravdis
Ms. Adaliss Rodriguez
224 Malcein Drive
Southington Connecticut 06489

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File #: 22-726

Agenda Date: 2/6/2023

Agenda #: 4.

AGENDA REQUEST
GENERAL DISCUSSION ITEM

Subject:

Discussion regarding the appropriate mechanism to provide information to residents pertaining to the structure and operation of land use processes in the Town of Ledyard.

Background:

LUPPW Cmt Meeting 10/3/2022: A resident addressed recent land use developments in town, such as the former Dow Chemical Site; the Liquor Store in the former Veterinarian Building on Route 12, the new Bark N' Brew, or the Dollar General Store going in next to the McDonalds.

The resident noted in attending the Planning & Zoning Meetings he realized that most people in town have no understanding of *Land Use Regulations, Land Use Statutes, how things were done, who had the authority, what the Mayor's role was, what the Town Council's role was, what was the role of the myriad of Land Use Commissions and Boards, and who had the final say.*

It was suggested that the town teach residents about *Land Use*.

Based on the resident's suggestion the LUPPW Committee agreed to discuss how to get information out to residents pertaining the process to address land use matters at their November 7, 2022 meeting.

Department Comment/Recommendation:

(type text here)

Meeting Action Detail:

Land Use/Planning/Public Works Committee Meeting 01/09/2023:

File #: [22726](#) Version: 1

Type: Land Use

Title: Discussion regarding the appropriate mechanism to provide information to residents pertaining to the structure and operation of land use processes in the Town of Ledyard.

Action: Continued

Minute Note:

Councilor Paul stated at the LUPPW Committee’s October 3, 2022 meeting they heard comments from a resident regarding the Land Use process and the approval process. He went on to state that they also discussed the importance for residents to understand the complexities of Land Use noting that it involved Regulatory, State Statutes, the Plan of Conservation & Development (POCD), etc. He stated in response to the citizen’s comments the LUPPW Committee began to discuss the appropriate mechanisms/platform to get this type of information out to residents.

Councilor Paul went on to state the Community Relations Committee planned to work with Land Use Director Juliet Hodge after the holidays to coordinate and schedule an Informational Presentation sometime around April/May, 2023. He stated at their December 21, 2022 meeting the Community Relations Committee planned to develop a list of questions and topics to keep the Presentation on point/topic.

Action: Continued

Land Use/Planning/Public Works Committee Meeting 12/05/2022:

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Councilor Paul went on to note the awesome Informational Presentation that Public Works/Town Engineer Steve Masalin provided at the Committee’s November 16, 2022 meeting; and he stated the Community Relations Committee discussed doing something similar to assist the Land Use Departments get information out to residents. He stated as they did for the Public Works Presentation that they could post the meeting video

on the town's website for residents to view at a later time or to revisit if they had subsequent questions. He also stated that the LUPPW Committee previously suggested the Land Use Departments draft a *Frequently Asked Questions* (FAQ) that could be posted on the town's website as well and shared on social media pages.

Councilor Paul stated the Community Relations Committee planned to work with Land Use Director Juliet Hodge after the holidays to coordinate and schedule an Informational Presentation sometime before May, 2023.

Councilor Rodriguez noted that the Parks & Recreation Informational Presentation that was held on April 11, 2022 was also excellent. She went on to comment that it was disappointing that the two Informational Presentations were not well attended.

Action: Continued

Land Use/Planning/Public Works Committee Meeting 11/07/2022:

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Chairman Dombrowski stated at the LUPPW Committee's October 3, 2022 they heard comments that residents were not sure how the land use process worked regarding permits; the approvals, and who decided what business could come into town. He stated the developments that were specifically mentioned was the Dollar General Store and the Cashman Project on Route 12, Gales Ferry. He stated because the Cashman Project has not submitted any Permit Applications to the town, that there was nothing for the town to comment on at this time. He also mentioned that residents have questioned why the town allowed a Dollar General Store and that they did not try to facilitate other stores such as a *Trader Joes* or a similar type of business.

Councilor Rodriguez stated that there was a misconception that residents think the Town Council has some authority regarding land use matters, which they do not. Chairman Dombrowski agreed, noting that per state statute that the Town Council has no authority regarding zoning matters.

Land Use Director Juliet Hodge stated she tries to answer questions as they come in. She noted that she recently attended the Ledyard Rotary Meeting to explain the land use process regarding the Cashman Development at the former Dow Chemical Property on Route 12, in Gales Ferry to try to get the word out to the community. She stated that she would be willing to attend other groups to answer questions as well.

Chairman Dombrowski stated in 2012 and again in 2019 Councilor McGrattan worked with former Library Director Gale Bradbury to facilitate a “*Know Your Town Program*” which invited residents to visit various Departments during the evening hours each week to become familiar with town staff and to learn about the functionality of each Department. He noted that the week the Land Use Department was featured that the resident turnout was low.

Councilor McGrattan agreed with Chairman Dombrowski’s recollection of the “*Know Your Town Program*” and resident’s interest/participation, noting that there were a number of programs that no residents attended at all.

Chairman Dombrowski stated as Councilor Rodriguez mentioned, land use matters were outside of the Town Councils purview. However, he stated that perhaps the Town Council could help the Land Use Commissions facilitate a discussion.

Councilor Paul suggested the Land Use Commissions hold an Informational Meeting that residents could attend, where the Commissions and town staff could provide an overview of the land use processes.

Land Use Director Juliet Hodge explained that the time for residents to provide input was during the drafting/update of the Zoning Regulations. She stated if an Application meets the Zoning Regulations that it must be approved regardless of people’s opinions. She went on to explain during an Application Public Hearing the Planning & Zoning Commission was looking to receive facts as to whether the Application met or did not meet the Zoning Regulations, noting that all of the Commission’s decisions were fact driven and were not subject to opinion. She stated if residents did not want franchise business such as the Dollar General Store that they could have included something in the recent Zoning Regulations Update pertaining to commercial businesses in the Design District. However, she stated the Planning & Zoning Commission received very little public input during the work sessions and public hearings to update the Zoning Regulations.

The LUPPW Committee discussed ways to provide information to residents pertaining to the structure and operations of the Town’s Land Use process which included posting a *Frequently Asked Question* (FAQ) Sheet uploading short videos on the town’s website which would answer land use questions and could be linked to social media pages.

The LUPPW Committee and Ms. Hodge also discussed the challenge to attract development noting that Developers look at the demographics and they also consider the limited access to I-95 and I-395, noting to the west was Thames River, to the east was the Groton Reservoir, to the south was the US Navy Subbase, the Commissary and Stop & Shop; and to the north was Montville and Norwich with shopping grocery and retail shopping available.

Action: Continued (Next Meeting 12/5/2022)



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LAND USE

Subject - Property- Open Space:

Discussion regarding the Conservation Commission's interest to purchase a parcel for open space.

Background:

Town Council Meeting 1/11/2023:

Mr. Michael Marelli, 4 Lee Brook Drive, Ledyard, Conservation Commission Chairman, stated the Commission has learned of a piece of property that was for sale that would be contiguous to other Greenways in town and falls under certain parameters for open space and wetland acquisition. He stated the Commission was interested in purchasing the property, noting that there were Grant Programs available for the purchase of open space that the Commission could apply for. He stated the Conservation Commission has not contacted anyone regarding the property, and that there have been no negotiations. He stated he was present this evening to inform the Town Council of this opportunity and to seek the Town Council's guidance on the process for the Conservation Commission to pursue this opportunity and for permission to contact the seller (broker) to express an interest in the property.

Chairman Dombrowski stated that he would refer the initiative to the Land Use/Planning/Public Works Committee to review the Conservation Commission's interest in the property.

Mayor Allyn, III, stated Mr. Marelli could contact the Broker to see if there were any other interested parties in the property and to gather other relevant information. He went on to state the town internally had access to the mapping of the property that could be provided to Land Use.

Chairman Dombrowski stated should they decide to pursue purchasing the property that a public hearing and a special town meeting would be required for the townspeople to vote on the purchase of the property.

Mr. Marelli acknowledged the work involved and the process for the town to acquire a property, explaining that the Conservation Commission would most likely not look to apply for the Grant Funding until next year.

Land Use Director/Town Planner:
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