



Chairman  
John Vincent

# TOWN OF LEDYARD

## Economic Development Commission

### Meeting Minutes - Draft Minutes

741 Colonel Ledyard Highway  
Ledyard, Connecticut 06339

#### Regular Meeting

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Tuesday, December 5, 2023

6:00 PM

Town Hall Annex - Hybrid Format

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**NOTE LOCATION: Town Hall Annex Council Chambers**

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Vincent called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Town Hall Annex Building. Chairman Vincent welcomed all to the Hybrid Meeting.

#### II. ROLL CALL

Present were Juliet Hodge, Director of Planning & Development, Jessica Buhle (Town Council Liaison)

Commission Members Present:

Present Chair John Vincent

Commissioner Michael Dreimiller

Commissioner Peter Hary

Commissioner Carol Ann Schneider

Commissioner Richard D. Tashea

Absent Mayor Allyn

#### III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**MOTION to approve the Regular EDC Meeting Minutes of November 14, 2023. Motion Passed by the following vote.**

MOVER: Richard Tashea

SECONDER: Pete Hary

AYE: 5 Dreimiller, Hary, Schneider, Tashea, and Vincent

**RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED**

#### IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**MOTION to amend the agenda to add section VI Correspondence. Motion Passed by the following vote.**

MOVER: John Vincent

SECONDER: Pete Hary

AYE: 5 Dreimiller, Hary, Schneider, Tashea, and Vincent

**RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED**

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**V. CITIZEN'S COMMENTS**

Present: Naomi Rodriguez, Gary Paul, Paul Maugle

Paul Maugle suggested a street light on Rt. 12 at the Senior Center. The entrance is difficult to see at night. Schneider noted that she found it difficult to turn left onto Rt. 12 there and wondered if the state might ever put a traffic light there.

**VI. CORRESPONDENCE**

Vincent received a letter of resignation from commissioner Jessica Buhle who was elected to the Town Council. She will be the new Town Council's EDC Liaison. Thanks to Gary Paul who has been Town Council's EDC Liaison for the last year.

**VII. PLANNER'S REPORT**

Two more Certificates of Adoption of Trade Names of received, One Black Crow Solar and Twisted Sugar Cake Design and Bakery.

Planning & Zoning is holding a public hearing regarding the Cashman application regarding the removal of a portion of Mount Decatur will be on Dec. 14th at Ledyard Middle School.

She's meeting with the developers re: potential multi-family housing development in Gales Ferry tomorrow.

Year-to-Date from July to Nov there has been \$10,425,000 of estimated construction value and \$109,000 building and zoning fees collected. She has a proposal ready to go that she will submit to the Town Council once the new members have settled in to raise fees from \$10.26 to \$15.00 per \$1,000 (after the state fee comes out of that the net will be about \$14.80 per \$1,000). The Land Use Department will also utilize a standardized chart to calculate construction values. Currently, Preston is the only town that has lower fees than Ledyard.

**VIII. OLD BUSINESS****1. Video Update**

Hary reviewed the updated video and it looked good to him. Everyone agreed with him but it was noted that one image of a house was still repeated. Hary will have that one image replaced with a different one. Everyone agreed that the video will be acceptable after that change has been made. Hary said that video company will provide a link to the final video and it needs to stay on the Town's website for at least one year.

**IX. NEW BUSINESS**

Ledyard Event Magazine.

Winter issue is out. Vincent has copies that can be distributed.

Recognition of Buhle

Schneider thanked Jessica Buhle for all the hard work she did while she was on the EDC. Buhle noted that she would continue to organize the Regatta Day Festival.

**X. ADJOURNMENT**

Our next meeting will be on Jan. 5th at 6:00pm in the Town Hall Annex.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Buhle, seconded by Commissioner Hary, to adjourn at 6:59pm. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**MOVER: Richard Tashea**

**SECONDER: Michael Dreimiller**

**AYE: 5 Dreimiller, Hary, Schneider, Tashea, and Vincent**

**RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED**

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