



# TOWN OF LEDYARD

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## Town Council Meeting Minutes

Chairman Gary St. Vil

### Regular Meeting

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Wednesday, April 8, 2026

7:00 PM

Town Hall Council Chambers

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### WORKING DRAFT

**In-Person: Council Chambers Town Hall Annex**  
**Remote: Information noted below:**

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**Audio Only: Telephone: +1 646 558 8656; Meeting ID: 868 1922 9459; Passcode: 230289**

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman St. Vil called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. at the Council Chambers, Town Hall Annex Building.

Chairman St. Vil welcomed all to the Hybrid Meeting. He stated for the members of the Town Council and 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. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

#### III. ROLL CALL

**Present:** Town Councilor William Barnes  
Town Councilor April Brunelle  
Town Councilor Jessica Buhle  
Town Councilor Ty Lamb  
Town Councilor Adrienne Parad  
Town Councilor James Thompson  
Chairman Gary St. Vil  
Town Councilor Carmen Garcia-Irizarry

**Excused:** Town Councilor Tim Ryan

#### IV. PRESENTATIONS

V. RESIDENT & PROPERTY OWNERS (COMMENTS LIMITED TO THREE (3) MINUTES)

Mr. Steve Munger, 12 Nutmeg Drive, Gales Ferry

Mr. Brandon Sabbag, 16 Nutmeg Drive, Gales Ferry

VI. COMMITTEE COMMISSION AND BOARD REPORTS

VII. COMMENTS OF TOWN COUNCILORS

VIII. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION to approve the following Town Council Minutes:

- Public Hearing Minutes of March 25, 2026
- Regular Meeting Minutes of March 25, 2026

**RESULT:** APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

**MOVER:** William Barnes

**SECONDER:** Carmen Garcia-Irizarry

IX. COMMUNICATIONS

Communications List - April 8, 2026

X. REFERALS

XI. FISCAL YEAR 2026/2027 BUDGET UPDATE

Fiscal Year 2026/2027 Budget Update

XII. COUNCIL SUB COMMITTEE, LIAISON REPORTS

1. Administration Committee Report Fiscal Year 2025/2026
2. Community Relations Committee for Diversity, Equity & Inclusion – Report- Fiscal Year 2025/2026
3. Finance Committee Report Fiscal Year 2025/2026
4. LUPPW Committee Report Fiscal Year 2025/2026
5. Liaison Reports

XIII. REPORT OF THE MAYOR

## Mayor Report Fiscal Year 2025/2025

## XIV. OLD BUSINESS

## XV. NEW BUSINESS

Administration Committee

1. MOTION to adopt a proposed “Ordinance Establishing a Town of Ledyard Code of Ethics and Ethics Commission”.

Chairman St. Vil referred the proposed Ethics Ordinance back to the Administration Committee

**RESULT:** WITHDRAWN

Finance Committee

2. MOTION to authorize the purchase of Fire Apparatus in the amount of \$1,173,066 from Marion Body Works, Inc with funding from Account # 21020401-54325 (Fire Apparatus).

**RESULT:** APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

**MOVER:** Jessica Buhle

**SECONDER:** James Thompson

3. MOTION to appropriate \$73,782.83 of proceeds received from the sale of 528 Colonel Ledyard Highway to Capital Account #21014301-53306 (Land Use - P & Z Document Updates).

**RESULT:** APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

**MOVER:** Jessica Buhle

**SECONDER:** Carmen Garcia-Irizarry

4. MOTION to authorize the Mayor to sign a Commitment to Fund a Local Transportation Capital Improvement Program (LOTICIP) grant in the amount of \$3,224,800 for the Replacement of the Lantern Hill Road Bridge #71009.

**RESULT:** APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

**MOVER:** Jessica Buhle

**SECONDER:** April Brunelle

5. MOTION to adopt a proposed Fiscal Year 2026/2027 Water Operations Budget in the amount \$1,860,262.

**RESULT:** APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

**MOVER:** Carmen Garcia-Irizarry

**SECONDER:** Jessica Buhle

6. Discussion and possible action regarding the Fiscal Year 2026/2027 Budget.

MOTION to adopt the Fiscal Year 2026/2027 Budget in the amount of **\$73,630,506** comprised of:

- General Government: \$31,698,171
- Board of Education: \$41,932,335

Moved by Councilor Buhle, seconded by Councilor Parad

- MOTION to amend the Motion to reduce the Education's proposed Fiscal Year 2026/2027 by \$232,335. for a revised Board of Education Budget in the total amount of \$41,700,000

Moved by Councilor Lamb, seconded by Councilor Barnes

Discussion: Chairman St. Vil offered a "*Friendly Amendment*" to reduce the Education's proposed Fiscal Year 2026/2027 by \$75,000. for a revised Board of Education Budget in the total amount of \$41,857,335. As the Mover of the Amendment, Councilor Lamb agreed to the "*Friendly Amendment*".

**VOTE: 7 - 1 Approved and so declared** (Parad not in favor)

MOTION to adopt the Fiscal Year 2026/2027 Budget in the amount of \$73,555,506 comprised of:

- General Government: \$31,698,171
- Board of Education: \$41,857,335

**VOTE: 8 - 0 Approved and so declared** (Parad not in favor)

- MOTION to set a Public Hearing (Hybird Format - Video Conference and In-Person) date to be held on April 21, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. to be held in the Council Chambers, Town Hall Annex, 741 Colonel Ledyard Highway, Ledyard, to receive comments and recommendations on the proposed Fiscal Year 2026/2027 Budget.

**RESULT:** APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

**MOVER:** Jessica Buhle

**SECONDER:** Adrienne Parad

- MOTION to set the Annual Town Meeting ( Hybrid Format -Video Conference and In-Person) date regarding the proposed Fiscal Year 2026/2027 Budget on May 18, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. to be held at the Council Chambers, Town Hall Annex, 741 Colonel Ledyard Highway, Ledyard Connecticut; and to adjourn to a Referendum to be held on May 19, 2026 between the hours of 6:00 a.m. 8:00 pm.

**RESULT:** APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

**MOVER:** Jessica Buhle

**SECONDER:** James Thompson

## XVI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:22 p.m.

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Transcribed by Roxanne M. Maher  
Administrative Assistant to the Town Council

I, Gary St. Vil Chairman of the Ledyard Town Council,  
hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and  
correct copy of the minutes of the Regular Town Council  
Meeting held on April 8, 2026.

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Gary St. Vil Chairman

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