



TOWN OF LEDYARD

Land Use/Planning/Public Works Committee

Meeting Minutes

741 Colonel Ledyard Highway
Ledyard, Connecticut 06339

Chairman
Kevin J. Dombrowski

Monday, April 3, 2023

6:00 PM

Town Hall Annex - Hybrid Format

In -Person: Council Chambers, Town Hall Annex Building

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Or by Audio Only: Telephone: +1 646 558 8656; Meeting ID: 829 7948 4939; Passcode: 823166

I CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Councilor Paul at 6:05 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

Present: Gary Paul
S. Naomi Rodriguez
John Marshall

In addition, the following were present:

Kevin Dombrowski, Town Council Chairman
Roxanne Maher, Administrative Assistant

III. RESIDENTS & PROPERTY OWNERS COMMENTS

None.

IV. PRESENTATIONS / INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

None.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION to approve the Land Use/Planning/Public Works Committee Regular Meeting Minutes of March 6, 2023.

Moved by Councilor Paul, seconded by Councilor Rodriguez

VOTE: 3 - 0 Approved and so declared

RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

MOVER: Gary Paul

SECONDER: S. Naomi Rodriguez

AYE: 3 Paul, Rodriguez and Marshall

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".

The LUPPW Committee reviewed the List of Properties that have come into the town's inventory since the "*List Assignment of Administrative Control of Town-Owned and Town-Leased Property*" was last updated in 2017 and also made some adjustments to the assignment of properties that were previously on the list (see attached)

RESULT: CONTINUE

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

No Update.

RESULT: NO ACTION

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

Councilor Paul stated although he did not have a Report regarding the Park on East Drive that he the Community Relations Committee and the Parks and Recreation Commission were planning to have a meeting with the area residents. He stated in speaking with Parks & Recreation Director Scott Johnson, Jr. that he was planning to hold the meeting in May, 2023.

The LUPPW Committee discussed since the Community Relations Committee would be working with the Parks and Recreation Commission whether they wanted to keep this item on the LUPPW Committee agenda going forward. Chairman Dombrowski stated because it originated with the LUPPW Committee and involved safety concerns at that the park that they keep this item on the LUPPW Committee Agenda. The Committee agreed.

RESULT: CONTINUE

4. Any other Old Business proper to come before the Committee.

None.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

1. MOTION to adopt a “Fair Housing Resolution - Town of Ledyard” as contained in the draft dated March 15 April 10, 2023.

DRAFT: 3/15/2023

Res : 004-2023 _____

**FAIR HOUSING RESOLUTION
TOWN OF LEDYARD**

WHEREAS, All persons are afforded a right to full and equal housing opportunities in the neighborhood of their choice; and

WHEREAS, Federal Fair Housing laws require that all individuals, regardless of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status or national origin, be given equal access to all housing-related opportunities, including rental and homeownership opportunities, and be allowed to make free choices regarding housing location; and

WHEREAS, Connecticut fair housing laws require that all individuals, regardless of race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, marital status, age, lawful source of income, familial status, learning disability, physical or mental disability, sexual orientation, or gender identity or expression be given equal access to all housing-related opportunities, including rental and home ownership opportunities, and be allowed to make free choices regarding housing location; and

WHEREAS, The Town of Ledyard is committed to upholding these laws, and realizes that these laws must be supplemented by an Affirmative Statement publicly endorsing the right of all people to full and equal housing opportunities in the neighborhood of their choice.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Town of Ledyard hereby endorses a Fair Housing Policy to ensure equal opportunity for all persons to rent, purchase, obtain financing and enjoy all other housing-related services of their choice on a non-discriminatory basis as provided by state and federal law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the chief executive officer of the Town of Ledyard or his/her designated representative is responsible for responding to and assisting any person who alleges to be the victim of an illegal discriminatory housing practice in the Town of Ledyard and for advising such person of the right to file a complaint with the State of Connecticut Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities (CHRO) or the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) or to seek assistance from the CT Fair Housing Center, legal services, or other fair housing organizations to protect his or her right to equal housing opportunities.

Adopted by the Ledyard Town Council on: _____

Kevin J. Dombrowski, Chairman

I Patricia A. Riley, Town Clerk of the Town of Ledyard, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a resolution duly adopted at a meeting of the Town Council held on April 12, 2023, and that such resolution has not been modified, rescinded, or revoked, and is at present in full force and effect:

IN WITNESS WHEREOF: The undersigned has affixed his signature and corporate seal on this _____ day of _____ 2023.

(Town Seal)

Patricia A. Riley, Town Clerk

Moved by Councilor Marshall, seconded by Councilor Rodriguez

Discussion: Chairman Dombrowski stated for the Town to be eligible to apply for and receive certain Grant Funds to support fair housing that the town was required to annually adopt a "Fair Housing Resolution" to be in compliance with state regulations. He stated the draft Resolution was the same as previous years.

VOTE: 3 - 0 Approved and so declared.

RESULT: RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL

MOVER: John Marshall

SECONDER: S. Naomi Rodriguez

AYE: 3 Paul, Rodriguez and Marshall

2. Any other New Business proper to come before the Committee.

None.

IV ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Rodriguez moved the meeting be adjourned, seconded by Councilor Paul.

VOTE: 3 - 0 Approved and so declared, the meeting was adjourned at 7:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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

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