

# TOWN OF LEDYARD CONNECTICUT

## **Conservation Commission**

## ~ AGENDA ~

Chairman Mike Marelli		
	Regular Meeting	
Tuesday, May 9, 2023	6:45 PM	Town Hall Annex - Hybrid Format
REMOTE MEETING INFORM	ATION	
Meeting ID: 837 5145 5132		

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- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. ROLL CALL

#### III. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Motion To APPROVE Regular Meeting Minutes from April 9, 2023, as written.

Attachments: Conservation minutes 4-11-23

#### III. CORRESPONDENCE

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

#### VI. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

#### VII. OLD BUSINESS

- 1. Property Walks.
- 2. Financial Reports.

Attachments: White Hall GL account detail 5-2-23 Conservation general YTD 5-2-23 Trail Maintenance YTD 5-2-23

- 3. Pollinator Pathways Project continued.
- 4. Burton Property Maintenance Plan continued.

5. Any Other Old Business to come before the Commission.

#### VIII. NEW BUSINESS

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#### IX. ADJOURNMENT

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MINUTES

#### **Minutes:**

Motion To APPROVE Regular Meeting Minutes from April 9, 2023, as written.

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Chairman

TOWN OF LEDYARD

## **Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes**

Mike Marelli		
	<b>Regular Meeting</b>	
Tuesday, April 11, 2023	6:45 PM	Town Hall Annex - Hybrid Format

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Marelli called the meeting to order at 6:47 p.m.

#### II. ROLL CALL

Present	Commissioner Roberta Levandoski
	Commissioner James Harwood
	Commissioner Kathleen Edgecomb
	Alternate Member Jessica Buhle
	Commissioner Betsy Graham
	Commissioner Michael E. Marelli
Excused	Commissioner Amy Stephenson
	Commissioner David Holdridge
Non-voting	Alternate Member Barbara Kil

Also present: Town Councilor Mary McGrattan Town Councilor Naomi Rodriguez Guest: Ty Lamb, Historic District Commission Vice Chairman.

#### III. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Motion to APPROVE Regular Meetings from March 14, 2023, as written

<b>RESULT:</b>	APP	APPROVED AND SO DECLARED					
<b>MOVER:</b>	Jess	essica Buhle					
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Bets	setsy Graham					
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EXCUSED	2	Stephenson Holdridge					

**IV. CORRESPONDENCE** 

None.

#### V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

**Meeting Minutes** 

Ty Lamb, representing the Ledyard Historic District Commission, said the Commission would like to work with the Conservation Commission on projects that would highlight the history of open spaces, trails, and notable sections of town, such as the Lambtown area, Quakertown area and the Spicer ruin. Eventually the Historic District Commission would like to create a website where users can see and walk thr paths virtually. Mr. Lamb is also talking to the Ledyard Garden Club, the Beautification Committee and other Town bodies. The Conservation Members agreed to keep the lines of communication open and to work together.

#### VI. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Jessica Buhle said the Aquarion Environmental Champion Awards program application is open. A grant up to \$2,500.00 is given for a project that improves water quality.

Betsy Graham attended a talk by the Eastern Connecticut Conservation Commission and distributed brochures on creating water gardens, streamside buffers and maintaining a healthy septic system

Ms. Graham also reported that she joined the Alliance for Mystic River Watershed and will keep the Commission updated. All are invited to a Meet & Greet at the Coogan Farm in Mystic on April 30, 2023, from 6:00-7:30 p.m.

#### VII. OLD BUSINESS

1. Property Walks

Mr. Harwood and Ms. Graham both walked the White-Hall property. Ms. Graham cleaned up a chair and some clothes that were left on the property.

2. Financial Reports

The only change since last month was two deductions from the Conservation general fund for \$30.00 each. Both of these deductions were for reimbursements for CT Land Trust Conservation Council summit registration fees.

**3.** Pollinator Pathways Project continued

Ms. Buhle reported that the Eastern Connecticut Conservation Commission has grant money to buy plants to start four pollinator gardens or rain gardens in Town. There are eight proposed sites, including the head of the Tri-Town Trail, the Town Green and Farmer's Market and Lantern Hill. A date will be set to visit each site.

4. Burton Property Maintenance Plan continued

Chairman Marelli said that he has completed the plan and will send it out to the Commission members soon.

5. Team Rubicon Volunteers continued

Sixteen volunteers are expected on Saturday, April 15, 2023, to work on clearing the paths at Burton Trail. They will work from approximately 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Ms. Edgecomb suggested taking a picture of the volunteers working to publish in the Ledyard Events with a small article of recognition.

6. Any Other Old Business to come before the Commission

None.

#### VIII. NEW BUSINESS

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The Commission is welcome to set up tables at the Yale-Harvard Regatta Festival held on June 10, 2023, at 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The North Stonington Garden Club is offering a \$1,000 scholarship for a high school senior interested in environmental studies. The Application can be found online.

#### IX. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to ADJOURN the Regular Meeting at 7:55 p.m.

**RESULT:**APPROVED AND SO DECLARED**MOVER:**Jessica Buhle

**SECONDER:** James Harwood

- AYE 6 Levandoski Harwood Edgecomb Buhle Graham Marelli
- **EXCUSED** 2 Stephenson Holdridge

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**Agenda Date:** 5/9/2023

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AGENDA REQUEST GENERAL DISCUSSION ITEM

**Subject:** Property Walks.

Background:

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**Department Comment/Recommendation:** 

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Agenda Date: 5/9/2023

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REPORT

**Staff/Committee Report:** Financial Reports.

## Town and Schools of Ledyard



#### **G/L ACCOUNT DETAIL**

Org: 301 Object: 21266 WHITEHALL PARK TRUST 0301-00-0000-00000-21266 -

YEAR PER JO	DURNAL E	FF DATE	SRC TR	PO/REF2	REFERENCE	AMOUNT	POSTED
2023 03	90 0	9/07/2022	API 1	20231674	W 090822T	225.00	Y
2023 00	30	7/01/2022	SOY 1		SOY BAL	-22,514.89	Y

Total Amount: -22,289.89

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FOR 2023 13							
ACCOUNTS FOR: 0101 GENERAL FUND	ORIGINAL APPROP	TRANFRS/ ADJSTMTS	REVISED BUDGET	YTD EXPENDED	ENCUMBRANCES	AVAILABLE BUDGET	PCT USED
10110213 CONSERVATION COMMISSION							
10110213 56100 OPERATING	1,150	0	1,150	60.00	.00	1,090.00	5.2%
10110213 57300 NEW EQUIP	1,500	0	1,500	.00	.00	1,500.00	.0%
10110213 58790 MISC EXP	925	0	925	.00	.00	925.00	.0%
TOTAL CONSERVATION COMMISSION	3,575	0	3,575	60.00	.00	3,515.00	1.7%
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	3,575	0	3,575	60.00	.00	3,515.00	1.7%
TOTAL EXPENSES	3,575	0	3,575	60.00	.00	3,515.00	



FOR 2023 13							
	ORIGINAL APPROP	TRANFRS/ ADJSTMTS	REVISED BUDGET	YTD EXPENDED	ENCUMBRANCES	AVAILABLE BUDGET	PCT USED
GRAN	ID TOTAL 3,575	0	3,575	60.00	.00	3,515.00	1.7%

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FOR 2023 13							
ACCOUNTS FOR: 0210 CAPITAL & NON RECURRING	ORIGINAL APPROP	TRANFRS/ ADJSTMTS	REVISED BUDGET	YTD EXPENDED	ENCUMBRANCES	AVAILABLE BUDGET	PCT USED
21090305 MISCELLANEOUS CNR							
21090305 58922 TRAIL MNT	0	5,932	5,932	.00	.00	5,932.09	.0%
TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS CNR	0	5,932	5,932	.00	.00	5,932.09	.0%
TOTAL CAPITAL & NON RECURRING	0	5,932	5,932	.00	.00	5,932.09	.0%
TOTAL EXPENSES	0	5,932	5,932	.00	.00	5,932.09	



FOR 2023 13								
			TRANFRS/ F ADJSTMTS	REVISED BUDGET	YTD EXPENDED	ENCUMBRANCES	AVAILABLE BUDGET	PCT USED
(	GRAND TOTAL	0	5,932	5,932	.00	.00	5,932.09	.0%

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File #: 23-1486

Agenda Date: 4/11/2023

Agenda #: 3.

#### AGENDA REQUEST GENERAL DISCUSSION ITEM

#### Subject:

Pollinator Pathways Project continued.

Background:

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**Department Comment/Recommendation:** 



File #: 23-1487

Agenda Date: 4/11/2023

Agenda #: 4.

#### AGENDA REQUEST GENERAL DISCUSSION ITEM

#### Subject:

Burton Property Maintenance Plan continued.

Background:

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**Department Comment/Recommendation:** 



File #: 23-1579

Agenda Date: 5/9/2023

Agenda #: 5.

#### AGENDA REQUEST GENERAL DISCUSSION ITEM

#### Subject:

Any Other Old Business to come before the Commission.

**Background:** (type text here)

Department Comment/Recommendation:



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Agenda Date: 5/9/2023

Agenda #: 1.

#### AGENDA REQUEST GENERAL DISCUSSION ITEM

#### Subject:

Any Other New Business to come before the Commission.

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**Department Comment/Recommendation:**