



# TOWN OF LEDYARD

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## Legislation Details (With Text)

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**Title:** MOTION to appoint Mr. James Awrach (R) 1538 Route 12 Unit #30, Gales Ferry, to the Planning & Zoning Commission, as a Regular Member to complete a three (3) year term ending October 31, 2023 filling a vacancy left by Ms. Scanlon.

**Attachments:** 1. Appoint Awrach -Planning & Zoning Regular Member-e-mail -2022-07-21.pdf, 2. PLANNING & ZONING ROSTER-2022-07-21.pdf, 3. Resign- Scanlon-Planning & Zoning-Ltr-2022-07-14.pdf, 4. CGS 9-167a- MINOIRTY REPRESENTATION .pdf

Date	Ver.	Action By	Action	Result
9/14/2022	1	Town Council	Approved and so declared	Pass
7/27/2022	1	Administration Committee	Recommended for Approval	Pass

### APPOINTMENT

#### Motion/Request:

MOTION to appoint Mr. James Awrach (R) 1538 Route 12 Unit #30, Gales Ferry, to the Planning & Zoning Commission, as a Regular Member to complete a three (3) year term ending October 31, 2023 filling a vacancy left by Ms. Scanlon.

#### Background:

Ms. Scanlon resigned from the Planning & Zoning Commission, as she would be moving out of town (please see attached resignation letter dated 7/14/2022).

#### Administrative Notes:

The Planning & Zoning Commission currently has one Regular Member vacancy.(see attached Roster).

Mr. Awrach has been serving on the Planning & Zoning Commission as a Alternate Member. The Planning & Zoning Commission has requested Mr. Awrach be moved from an Alternate Member to a Regular Member to fill Ms. Scanlon's vacancy.

#### Nominating Committee Recommendation:

From: Capon, J Anthony <tcapon@pitt.edu>  
 Sent: Thursday, July 21, 2022 8:40 AM  
 To: Roxanne Maher <council@ledyardct.org>  
 Subject: Fw: PZC Vacancy

And Andra responded the same day and asked me if I had discussed it with Jim. I said I had.

TC

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From: Capon, J Anthony <tcapon@pitt.edu>  
Sent: Thursday, July 21, 2022 8:37 AM  
To: Roxanne Maher <council@ledyardct.org>  
Subject: Fw: PZC Vacancy

Hi Roxanne,

On June 22 I sent an email to Kevin and Andra recommending that Jim Awrach be appointed to fill Katie Scanlan's unexpired term as a regular member. I have forwarded the relevant part of that email.

Tony

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From: Capon, J Anthony  
Sent: Wednesday, June 22, 2022 9:37 AM  
To: Kevin J. Dombrowski <KJDom@ledyardct.org>; Andra Ingalls <aingalls@ledyardct.org>  
Subject: PZC Vacancy

Katie Scanlan is resigning from the commission after our July meeting because she and her husband are moving to East Lyme. Jim Awrach is the longest serving alternate and I recommend that he be appointed to fill the remainder of Katie's term as a regular member.

Tony  
(Please see attached e-mail dated 7/21/2022)

### Meeting Action Detail:

#### Town Council Meeting 9/14/2022

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#### Minutes Notes:

Moved by Councilor Irwin, seconded by Councilor Saums

Discussion: Councilor Irwin noted that Ms. Scanlon resigned from the Planning & Zoning Commission effective July 20, 2022 because she was moving out of town.

Chairman Dombrowski stated Mr. Awrach has been serving on the Planning & Zoning Commission as an Alternate Member. He noted in an e-mail dated July 21, 2022 Planning & Zoning Commission Chairman Capon requested Mr. Awrach be moved from an Alternate Member to a Regular Member to fill Ms. Scanlon's vacancy.

VOTE: 6- 0 Approved and so declared

Action: Approved

**Administration Cmt Meeting 7/27/2022**

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Type: Appointment

Title:  MOTION to recommend the Town Council appoint Mr. James Awrach (R) 1538 Route 12 Unite #30, Gales Ferry, to the Planning & Zoning Commission, as a Regular Member to complete a three (3) year term ending October 31, 2023 filling a vacancy left by Ms. Scanlon.

Mover: [Whit Irwin <https://ledyardct.legistar.com/PersonDetail.aspx?ID=272271&GUID=7D7C9474-6EEF-4985-B9F8-28216D19FE06>](https://ledyardct.legistar.com/PersonDetail.aspx?ID=272271&GUID=7D7C9474-6EEF-4985-B9F8-28216D19FE06) Seconder: [Mary K. McGrattan <https://ledyardct.legistar.com/PersonDetail.aspx?ID=272273&GUID=D3C0CBA1-E760-4F57-BA8E-93AA711AC89C>](https://ledyardct.legistar.com/PersonDetail.aspx?ID=272273&GUID=D3C0CBA1-E760-4F57-BA8E-93AA711AC89C)

Result: Pass

Agenda note:

Minutes note: Moved by Councilor Irwin, seconded by Councilor McGrattan Discussion: Councilor Ingalls noted that Ms. Scanlon resigned from the Planning & Zoning Commission effective July 20, 2022 because she was moving out of town. Councilor Ingalls went on to note that Mr. Awrach has been serving on the Planning & Zoning Commission as an Alternate Member. She stated in an e-mail dated July 21, 2022 Planning & Zoning Commission Chairman Capon requested Mr. Awrach be moved from an Alternate Member to a Regular Member to fill Ms. Scanlon’s vacancy; and she noted that Mr. Awrach was interested in serving as a Regular Member on the Commission. She stated this was a routine appointment/process, noting when vacancies occur that Commissions often recommended that an Alternate Member be moved to fill the Regular Member seat. VOTE: 3 - 0 Approved and so declared  | -

Action: Recommended for Approval<sup>1</sup> | -

**Minority Representation - CGS 9-167a:**

In accordance with Chapter IV; Section 8 of the Town Charter “Except as otherwise provided for in this Charter, the Town Council may appoint members to fill vacancies in other offices, boards, and commissions established by this Charter and by ordinance as vacancies may occur, and appointing members to such offices, boards, and commissions as may be created in the future. Such appointments shall be made by the Town Council for such terms and upon such conditions as provided in the respective ordinance”.

Chapter IV, Section 9: “In making appointments and removals, the Town Council shall act by the affirmative votes of at least a majority of all its members.

All members of boards, commissions, and committees contained in this Charter, or subsequently created under this Charter, except members of the Building Code Board of Appeals, the Fire Marshal, and the Deputy Fire Marshal(s), shall be electors of the Town at the time of their appointment and during their terms of office.”

**Connecticut General Statutes**

Sec. 9-167a. Minority representation. (a) (1) Except as provided in subdivision (2) of this subsection, the maximum number of members of any board, commission, legislative body, committee or similar body of the state or any political subdivision thereof, whether elective or appointive, who may be members of the same political party, shall be as specified in the following table:

Total Membership	Maximum from One Party
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3	2
4	3
5	4
6	4
7	5
8	5
9	6
More than 9 Two-thirds of total membership	

(2) The provisions of this section shall not apply (A) to any such board, commission, committee or body whose members are elected wholly or partially on the basis of a geographical division of the state or political subdivision, (B) to a legislative body of a municipality (i) having a town meeting as its legislative body or (ii) for which the charter or a special act, on January 1, 1987, provided otherwise or (C) to the city council of an unconsolidated city within a town and the town council of such town if the town has a town council and a representative town meeting, the town charter provides for some form of minority representation in the election of members of the representative town meeting, and the city has a city council and a body having the attributes of a town meeting or (D) to the board of directors and other officers of any district, as defined in section 7-324, having annual receipts from all sources not in excess of two hundred fifty Thousand dollars.

(b) Prior to any election for or appointment to any such body, the municipal clerk, in cases of elections, and the appointing authority, in cases of appointments, shall determine the maximum number of members of any political party who may be elected or appointed to such body at such election or appointment. Such maximum number shall be determined for each political party in the following manner: From the number of members of one political party who are members of such body at the time of the election or appointment, subtract the number of members of such political party whose terms expire prior to the commencement of the terms for which such election or appointment is being held or made and subtract the balance thus arrived at from the appropriate number specified in column II of subsection (a) of this section.