Ordinance: # 500-005

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A NURSING SERVICES BOARD OF THE TOWN OF LEDYARD

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Be it ordained by the Town Council of the Town of Ledyard:

Section 1. Authority and Purpose:

Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter VI, Section 10, of the Ledyard Town Charter, as amended through 2002, there is hereby established a Nursing Services Board to implement the programs of local, State and Federal Departments of Health under supervision of a Medical Director and in cooperation with the Ledyard Director of Health. To this end the Board will oversee the Ledyard Regional Visiting Nurse Agency (LRVNA) and its provision of skilled nursing services and other therapeutic services including but not limited to physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy, medical social work and health aide.

Section 2. Membership/Term:

The Board shall consist of no fewer than ten nor more than fifteen electors who shall be appointed by the Mayor as hereinafter set forth.

Members shall serve for a three (3) year term and shall commence to serve their terms immediately upon appointment and shall serve until their successor has qualified or they have been reappointed or removed by the Mayor. Vacancies on the Board for reason other than expiration of term shall be filled by the Mayor for the unexpired portion of such term.

Any member of the Board who is absent from three (3) consecutive regular meetings and any intervening duly called special meetings shall be considered to have resigned from the Board. The vacancy shall be filled as herein before provided. Additionally, the Board may vote to waive the requirements of this section in each case where illness or other extenuating circumstances make it impossible for a member to meet the attendance requirements of this action.

It shall be the responsibility of the Chairman of the Board to notify the Mayor when a member has not properly performed their duties.

Section 3. Administrative Supervisor:

The Board, with the concurrence of the Mayor, shall appoint and may remove any Administrative Supervisor subject to rules and regulations dealing with the Classified Service adopted pursuant to Chapter VIII of the Town Charter. The Board shall advise and assist the Administrative Supervisor who shall be administrative head of the agency.

Section 4. Medical Director

The Medical Director shall be a physician licensed to practice in the State of Connecticut. The Board shall select and recommend to the Mayor, a qualified candidate for appointment.

Section 5. Bylaws:

The Board shall conduct its affairs in accordance with bylaws adopted by said Board which shall not be in conflict with the Town Charter, Town ordinances or any local, State or Federal law, statutes or regulation dealing with public health nursing or home health care agencies.

Section 6. Severability

If any section, or part of a section, of this Ordinance shall be held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such holding shall not be deemed to invalidate the remaining provisions hereof.

Section 7. Effective Date

In accordance with the Town Charter this ordinance shall become effective on the twenty-first (21st) day after such publication following its final passage.

Amended, Adopted and Renumbered by the Town Council on: September 25, 2019

Approved/Disapproved on: 9/26/19

Published on: October 2, 2019

Effective Date: October 23, 2019

Linda C. Davis, Chairman

Fred B. Allyn, III, Mayor

Revisions: Ordinance #76 "Ordinance Establishing a Public Health Nursing Service Board of the Town of Ledyard" Adopted December 11, 1980; #76 "Ordinance Amending an Ordinance Establishing a Public Health Nursing Service Board of the Town of Ledyard" Amended and Adopted June 8, 1983; Ordinance #76 Amended and Adopted August 11, 1999; Ordinance #76 Amended and Adopted August 11, 2004; Ordinance #117 Ordinance Amending an Ordinance Establishing a Public Health Nursing Service Board of the Town of Ledyard" Adopted: February 27, 2008; Effective: March 21, 2008.

History:

The Twenty-fourth Town Council (2017- 2019) Ordinance Update Initiative: Renumbered Ordinance #117 to Ordinance #500-005.

2019: Section 2 added language regarding member attendance relative to being considered resigned; Section 7 "Severability: language updated for consistency with town ordinances. Added Section 8 "Effective Date" to be consistent with town ordinances. Removed Section 8 "Cancellation of Previous Ordinances" – Per Town Attorney the "Revisions" and "History" paragraph indicates that the previous ordinance has been updated and replaced.