



Chairman Nate Woody

TOWN OF LEDYARD CONNECTICUT

SUSTAINABLE CT AD HOC COMMITTEE

741 Colonel Ledyard Highway

Ledyard, Connecticut 06339

HYBRID FORMAT
SPECIAL MEETING

~ MINUTES ~

Thursday, February 19, 2026

6:00 PM

Town Hall Annex Council Chambers

I. CALL TO ORDER – Chairman Nate Woody called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Annex Council Chambers and on Zoom.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Chairman, Nate Woody
Vice Chairman, Beth E. Ribe
Secretary, Michael Driemiller
Commissioner, Jessica Buhle
Commissioner, James Harwood

In addition, the following were present:

Assistant to the Director of Land Use & Planning, Anna Wynn
Sustainable Communities Fellow, Katie Meder
Sustainable CT Program Assistant, Summer Mitchell
Sustainable CT Program Assistant, Deborah Mathiasen

Chairman Woody noted that Councilor Buhle has been appointed to replace Councilor Garcia as a member from the Town Council.

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. Certification overview presentation by Sustainable Communities Fellow, Katie Meder

Ms. Katie Meder introduced herself and her role in the Sustainable CT Program. She invited her colleagues Summer Mitchel and Deborah Mathiasen attending via Zoom to also introduce themselves and their roles in the program. She gave an overview of her presentation. She presented to the Commission an overview of the Sustainable Actions including category thirteen. She spoke to the Commission about resources available to the Commission. The Commission and Ms. Meder discussed on how to engage and work with available equity coaches. Summer Mitchell spoke to the Commission about the Community Match Fund. The Commissioner and Ms. Meder discussed the Certification process. They discussed the C-PACE Program provided by the Connecticut Green Bank. They discussed the points systems and the three year look back period. They discussed impacts and benefits of the Sustainable CT Program.

B. Commissioner discussion of certification process and workload organization

Chairman Woody stated that the Committee needs to determine a timeline and a certification goal they want to achieve. He additionally stated that the Committee will need to focus on going through the provided point search sheet and determine what actions are achievable and what points they may already have. Staff and the Commission discussed the various documents included in their packets. The Commission discussed how they would approach the required actions. The Commission discussed Action 7.4 and the solar panel installation on the school district buildings. They discussed which members would sign up for training to satisfy Action 1.2. Commissioner Buhle volunteered to complete the training requirements for 2.2. The Commission discussed referring Action 2.3 and 2.4 to the Economic Development Commission. They discussed referring Actions 3.1 and 3.2 to the Conservation Commission. They discussed referring several Actions concerning low impact development to the Planning & Zoning Commission. The Commission discussed the Conservation Commission adding information on the Town Website for Action 3.10.3 a. They discussed referring Action 5.5 to the Historic Commission. The Commission discussed referring Action 4.2 to the Board of Education. Commissioner Ribe volunteered to take on Action 5.3.1. The Sustainable CT representatives and the Commission discussed State supports to complete Action 5.4.2.

Discussion continued about the Action items and distribution of work.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

A. Sustainable CT Ad Hoc Committee Organizational Meeting Minutes of December 9, 2025

MOTION to approve the Sustainable CT Ad Hoc Committee Organizational Meeting Minutes of December 9, 2025

RESULT: 5-0 APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

MOVER: Ribe

SECONDER: Buhle

AYES: 3 Woody, Ribe, Dreimiller

ABSTAIN: 2 Buhle, Harwood

V. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Woody stated that without objection the Commissioner will adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

Respectively Submitted,

Chairman Woody
Sustainable CT Ad Hoc Committee