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Ms. Susan Johnston
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Dear Ms. Johnston:

Thank you for your August 13, 2024 email and for attending the Land Use/Planning/Public Works Committee's September 9, 2024 meeting to discuss your concerns regarding the noise coming from Prides Corner Nursery Farm; and requesting the Town consider the adoption of a Noise Ordinance.

In researching your concerns regarding the noise from the construction of greenhouses, the operation of equipment, loud music; and the hours of weekend operations coming from the business adjacent to your property, the Land Use/Planning/Public Works Committee elevated your concerns to Police Chief John Rich, and to Land Use Director/Town Planner Elizabeth Burdick to discuss and consider the town's options to best address your situation.

In accordance with Connecticut General Statutes 22a-67 et seq; complaints regarding noise fall under the jurisdiction of law enforcement. Police Chief John Rich has indicated that there is sufficient remedy in the existing state statutes to allow the Police Department to effectively deal with noise complaints; noting that an appeals process for any violation of state statute already exists within the courts.

The Land Use Department Staff has met with the owners of Prides Corner Nursery Farm and are actively working with them to obtain compliance with the Building Codes and the Town's Zoning Regulations. Ms. Burdick reported the following actions were underway:

- Prides Corner is in the process of obtaining the "*Existing Conditions Survey*" to find out where all of the Greenhouses were located.
- Prides Corner is working to obtain permits for the about thirty new Hoop Houses; and the Town has requested Prides Corner meet the required setbacks for the Hoop Houses.
- Prides Corner stated it will work to keep the noise level down; and has expressed their desire to be good neighbors.

Based on state statute the Land Use/Planning/Public Works Committee encourages you to take the following steps if excessive noise from the neighboring business continues:

- 1) Contact Police Chief Rich by email at Chief.rich@ledyardct.org; to discuss the matter.
- 2) Contact Director of Land Use Elizabeth Burdick at planner@ledyardct.org. Ms. Burdick and the Land Use Department Staff are continuing to work with the property owner from a compliance position in an effort to help alleviate some of the noise.

Based on the provisions provided in Connecticut General State Statute 22a-67 et seq; we found that a remedy to address your situation currently exists; and therefore, a local town Ordinance to address Noise Issues was not needed.

Should you have any additional questions regarding this matter; or have any other concerns please, do not hesitate to contact me at (860) 980-0656 or GSVil@ledyardct.org.

Sincerely,



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Committee Chairman
Land Use/Planning/Public Works Committee

Attachment

cc: Police Chief John Rich
Town Planning Elizabeth Burdick