



TOWN OF LEDYARD

Ledyard Farmers Market Committee

Meeting Minutes

741 Colonel Ledyard Highway
Ledyard, Connecticut 06339

Chairman Pamela Ball

Regular Meeting - Hybrid Format

Thursday, June 4, 2026

5:30 PM

Town Hall Annex - Hybrid Format

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Ball at 5:32 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Present Chairperson/Market Manager Pamela Ball
Commissioner Ellin Grenger
Commissioner Ethan Foltz
Treasurer William Thorne
Commissioner Jeremy Norris
Excused Commissioner Allison Troy
Recording Secretary Sarah Martic

III. RESIDENTS & PROPERTY OWNERS COMMENTS

None.

IV. PRESENTATIONS / INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

None.

V. MEMBER COMMENTS

None.

VI. MARKET MANAGER REPORT

1. Chairperson Report.

Chairperson Ball said the purpose of this meeting was to recap the Market's opening day and talk about what went well, what didn't and what the Committee would want to do differently next week. Chairperson Ball said many vendors were late because of traffic issues; the Mohegan Sun Bridge on 2A was closed for the Special Olympics and road work on the Gold Star bridge caused traffic on Interstate 95, Route 117, Route 184 and Route 1. Chairperson Ball said for the next market she sent an email traffic reminder to vendors to leave earlier or find another route.

RESULT: DISCUSSED

VII. TREASURER REPORT

1. Financial Reports.

No comments.

RESULT: DISCUSSED

VIII. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES**1. Motion to APPROVE Regular Meeting minutes from May 6, 2026, as written.**

Mr. Thorne was appointed as a voting member.

RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

MOVER: William Thorne

SECONDER: Ethan Foltz

AYE 5 Ball Grenger Foltz Thorne Norris

EXCUSED 2 Troy Martic

IX. OLD BUSINESS**1. Any Other Old Business to Come before the Committee.**

None.

X. NEW BUSINESS**1. Review the June 3, 2026, Opening Day and discuss adjustments.**

Chairperson Ball asked Ms. Grenger to speak first since she had to leave the meeting early. Ms. Grenger said opening day was fantastic! Ms. Grenger said she has a shirt for Mr. Norris to wear if the new staff shirts don't arrive on time. Ms. Grenger said that people were asking a few questions such as what happened with Issa Catering, and why the bathroom was locked for half an hour. Chairperson Ball said the caterer forgot to mention that they would not be at the Market. As for the bathroom, when Chairperson Ball checked it was open, she was not sure what had happened. Ms. Grenger said other than those two things it went very well, and she received a lot of positive feedback. Mr. Thorne asked if the Committee should get another porta-potty at a second location at the market? Chairperson Ball said if so, another hand-washing station would be required. Maybe Parks and Recreation may want to split another porta-poty and hand washing-station? Mr. Thorne said he would ask Scott Johnson, Parks and Recreation Director.

Mr. Norris commented that from his first experience he thought it went smoothly and said the vendors were great. He added that there were a couple instances of people bringing dogs, but when he asked them to bring the dogs outside the pavilion, they were nice about it. Mr. Norris said he thought it was very busy and he may try to do a count of people during next Market Day.

Mr. Foltz said Ms. Granger covered most of what he was going to say. He felt it went very well, despite the vendors who came that were not expected. Vendor spots needed to be shifted around but it worked out in the end.

Mr. Norris brought up a concern about the internet he went to make a purchase from a vendor, but it was cash only because they couldn't get the internet to work. He asked if other vendors experienced this problem. Chairperson Ball responded that it is a lot on the system when 50 people are drawing on the Wifi. Chairperson Ball said the Committee should talk to MIS to see if they could give the system a boost. Mr. Norris said he thinks the best solution is to put a password on it since right now anyone can get on the Wifi. Mr. Norris will reach out to Justin Dube, MIS Director, to find the best solution.

ACTION ITEMS:

Inquire about a second Pora-poty and wash station.

Discuss Wifi signal improvement with MIS.

RESULT: DISCUSSED

2. New Purchase Orders for the 2026 Summer Market.

Mr. Thorne said new purchase orders need to be put in for next year such as Copy Cats. He added that he will reduce the amount in the reimbursement accounts. Chairperson Ball reported that she requested an invoice for an advertisement in CT Magazine, but the company charged her credit card instead, she will need to put in for a reimbursement.

RESULT: DISCUSSED

3. MOTION to enter Executive Session to discuss Vendor Contracts.

Not needed.

4. Any Other New Business to Come before the Committee.

None.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to ADJOURN the Regular Meeting at 6:56 p.m.

RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

MOVER: Pamela Ball

SECONDER: Ethan Foltz

AYE 5 Ball Grenger Foltz Thorne Norris

EXCUSED 2 Troy Martic

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