

TOWN OF LEDYARD

741 Colonel Ledyard Highway Ledyard, Connecticut 06339

Ledyard Beautification Committee Meeting Minutes

Chairperson Kathrine Kohrs

Regular Meeting

Tuesday, April 1, 2025

5:00 PM

Town Hall Annex - Hybrid Format

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting was called to order by Chairperson Kohrs at 5:00 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Present Committee Member Carol Christiansen

Committee Member Carol Ann Schneider

Chairperson Kathrine Kohrs

Committee Member Sarah Martic

Committee Member Lauren Hawes

Absent Committee Member Jennifer Eastbourne

Committee Member Jennifer Bingham

Also in attendance:

Naomi Rodriguez, Town Council Chairperson.

Note - There was no recording of this meeting due to technical difficulties.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None present.

IV. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Motion to APPROVE the Regular Meeting Minutes from March 4, 2025, as written.

RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

MOVER: Carol Ann Schneider

SECONDER: Sarah Martic

AYE 5 Christiansen Schneider Kohrs Martic Hawes

ABSENT 2 Eastbourne Bingham

V. OLD BUSINESS

1. Future Projects Discussion.

Discussion of what events will come after Earth Day. The Committee has decided to request

attendance at one Farmer's markets this summer and have a more interactive presence and collect donations. Ms. Martic will research which dates are available and sign the Committee up for one of them.

Other groups that will attend the Earth Day event include ARC (Ms. Schneider may run their booth). Also, the Ledyard Conservation Commission, LEAF, GFS/JWL PTO and potentially a table for Parks and Recreation.

There has been difficulty obtaining a dumpster for the event. Ms. Hewes offered to check with some sources and research a donation. The Committee also discussed asking Steve Masalin, Public Works Director, for assistance with acquiring a dumpster.

Naomi Rodriguez, Town Council Chairperson, donated gift cards to use as gifts for the Trash 2 Treasure recycling contest and accepted a request to be a third judge for the contest, in addition to Mayor Allyn III and Scott Johnson.

The Committee discussed that the most important things remaining to do before the Earth Day event are to share and promote the activities and event as much as possible to increase attendance.

Chairperson Kohrs shared that the Ledyard Middle School Junior Beautification Committee is planning a school cleanup on Earth Day, April 22. They will also attend the Earth Day celebration. Part of the event includes annual planting at the school. Ms. Schneider proposed pre-approving up to \$100 to purchase annuals to plant at the event.

Motion to APPROVE spending up to \$100.00 on annuals to be planted at Ledyard Middle School.

RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

MOVER: Carol Christiansen SECONDER: Lauren Hawes

AYE 5 Christiansen Schneider Kohrs Martic Hawes

ABSENT 2 Eastbourne Bingham

2. Any Other Old Business to Come before the Committee.

None.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

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

Chairperson Kohrs shared that as part of the 250th Anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence the LBC will plant bulbs in the fall that spell out "250" in one or two locations around Town so that they will bloom next spring during the year-long celebration.

Mr. Christiansen mentioned that the Rotary Club once again has a grant cycle that ends soon and encouraged the Committee to apply, possibly for funding for the bulbs for the 250 Anniversary Project.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to ADJOURN the Regular Meeting at 5:57 p.m.

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