



TOWN OF LEDYARD

Cemetery Committee

Meeting Minutes

741 Colonel Ledyard Highway
Ledyard, Connecticut 06339

Regular Meeting

Tuesday, October 14, 2025

4:00 PM

Council Chambers - Hybrid Format

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting was called to order at 4:04 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Present Commissioner Kristie Gardiner-Lundgren
Commissioner William Vidal III
Commissioner Christian Allyn
Commissioner Paul Krug
Alternate Member Vincent Godino

Excused Commissioner Martha Reynolds

Also in attendance was Lisa Godino, resident.

III. APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATES

Mr. Godino was appointed as a Voting Member.

IV. FISCAL REPORT

No Changes. The budget is currently \$2000. Chairman Vidal III will inquire about increasing budget to \$5,000 for next the fiscal year so the Committee may afford more headstone restoration projects.

1. Fiscal Report.

V. COMMITTEES

1. Flags.

Ms. Reynolds is excused from today's meeting. Mr. Godino will contact Ms. Reynolds to obtain the necessary number of flags for replacement in November for Veterans Day.

2. Adopters.

Mr. Godino has reported Mr. Richard Morgan, the current adopter of the Barnes Cemetery, has kindly agreed to also care for the Seth Williams cemetery. Maintown cemetery is still in need of an adopter. Ms. Gardiner-Lundgren will follow up with potential adopter, Mr. Kenneth Curtin, who has expressed interest in the Lester Cemetery.

2. Veterans.

The Committee discussed plans to reach out to individual Cemetery Associations and Sextants for accurate information on Veteran burials as we prepare for replacing flags in the spring.

VI. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES**1. Motion to APPROVE the Regular Meeting Minutes from September 9, 2025, as written.**

RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

MOVER: William Vidal, III

SECONDER: Vincent Godino

AYE 5 Gardiner-Lundgren Vidal, III Allyn Krug Godino

EXCUSED 1 Reynolds

VII. OLD BUSINESS**1. ROW - Right of Way continued.**

No new developments were reported. Chairman Vidal III will contact Mr. Bruce Garstka about visiting the historic Fox Cemetery that is located on his property.

2. Cemetery Book update.

Chairman Vidal III is progressing with the Cemetery Book and coordinating access to the Town's website to update cemetery records.

3. Restoration continued.

Rocky's Landscaping has submitted an estimate for the landscaping portion of the Neglected Cemetery Grant allotment. Chairman Vidal III will contact Mr. Ken Geer for an estimate on the stone and wall restoration portion of the grant.

4. Any Other Old Business to Come Before the Committee.

None.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS**1. Motion to AUTHORIZE spending \$1,500 on clearing of weeds, briars and bushes as stated in the approved Neglected Cemetery Grant award budget.**

RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

MOVER: William Vidal, III

SECONDER: Vincent Godino

AYE 5 Gardiner-Lundgren Vidal, III Allyn Krug Godino

EXCUSED 1 Reynolds

2. Motion to AUTHORIZE spending \$1,500 on mowing of ground's lawn area as stated in the approved Neglected Cemetery Grant award budget.

RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

MOVER: William Vidal, III

SECONDER: Kristie Gardiner-Lundgren

AYE 5 Gardiner-Lundgren Vidal, III Allyn Krug Godino

EXCUSED 1 Reynolds

3. Motion to AUTHORIZE spending \$2,000 on repairing of the ground's fences or walls as stated in the approved Neglected Cemetery Grant award budget.

RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

MOVER: William Vidal, III

SECONDER: Christian Allyn

AYE 5 Gardiner-Lundgren Vidal, III Allyn Krug Godino

EXCUSED 1 Reynolds

4. Motion to AUTHORIZE spending \$3,000 on straightening, repair and restoration of memorial stones as stated in the approved Neglected Cemetery Grant award budget.

RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

MOVER: William Vidal, III

SECONDER: Paul Krug

AYE 5 Gardiner-Lundgren Vidal, III Allyn Krug Godino

EXCUSED 1 Reynolds

5. Motion to APPROVE the Cemetery Committee 2026 Calendar Year Meeting Schedule as written.

February 10 April 14 June 9 September 8 October 13 February 9, 2027

RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

MOVER: Christian Allyn

SECONDER: Paul Krug

AYE 5 Gardiner-Lundgren Vidal, III Allyn Krug Godino

EXCUSED 1 Reynolds

6. Any Other New Business to Come Before the Committee.
None.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to ADJOURN the Regular Meeting at 5:02 p.m.

RESULT: APPROVED AND SO DECLARED

MOVER: Vincent Godino

SECONDER: Christian Allyn

AYE 5 Gardiner-Lundgren Vidal, III Allyn Krug Godino

EXCUSED 1 Reynolds

The next Committee meeting is on February 10, 2026.

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