

Ridgefield Youth Commission Meeting Minutes

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Wednesday, June 7, 2023, at 7:00 pm

The Barn

10 Governor Street, Ridgefield, Connecticut

Members Present: Denise Qualey, Mary Doherty, Jim Yavenditti, Mike Lordi, Tina Malhotra, Al Wakin
Julia Knispel, and Rian Malhotra,

Members Absent: Charolette Bowler and Skylar Knispel

Guest: LouAnn Daprato – Ridgefield Prevention Council

- No public comments were made.
- The Members welcomed Al Wakin as a new member.
- The Commission recognized the graduating seniors. Ms. Qualey will deliver to Ms. Bowler and Ms. Knispel proclamations provided by the First Selectman.
- The Members reviewed next fall's meeting dates. It was agreed that the September meeting should be moved from September 6, 2023, to September 13, 2023. Mr. Lordi will notify Town Hall.
- The Members reviewed the Charter Revision Commission's recommended changes to the Youth Commission section in the Town Charter.
- The Members discussed with Ms. Daprato how the Youth Commission and the Ridgefield Prevention Council could work together in the future. A panel discussion or informational fair was suggested for next Spring. The goal of the panel discussion/fair will be to provide information to Ridgefield residents on the resources available in Town that support Ridgefield's youth. This item will be reviewed next fall.
- The Members discussed holding a panel discussion next fall with candidates running for Town Boards in November. A presentation on the Town Charter may be part of the panel discussion. This item will be reviewed at the September meeting.
- No official votes were taken during this meeting.