

Town of Ridgefield

Special Meeting of the Board of Compassionate Ridgefield

August 4, 2026, 4:00- 5:30PM

Town Hall Small Conference Room

400 Main Street, Ridgefield, Ct

Attendance: Bob Cascella, Martha Morris, Shelly Fisher, Jennifer Tejada, and Margee Rodgers

Absent: Rudy Marconi and Carol Mahlstedt

Martha Morris called the meeting to order at 4:10 p.m.

1. Secretary's Report: Minutes July 2025

The July minutes were approved as read.

2. Treasurer's Report

Bob Cascella reported the current balance at \$3,406.06.

3. Discuss time of day for future meetings

All board members present agreed to maintain the current time (5 to 6:30 p.m.) on the first Tuesday of each month.

4. Open board positions- discuss potential candidates

Martha informed the board we have two potential candidates interested in the board position. Martha will send their resumes to Rudy's assistant and follow up with Rudy with the protocol. Martha will contact the potential candidates and inform them of the process.

5. Discuss and plan October 2 event.

a. Review email invite: Jennifer Tejada suggested edits and will make the edits to the invitation.

b. Determine contact list and execution:

1. Bob Costello passed out a contact list with suggested Town Leaders and 501 C organizations in town. Several other names were suggested and added to the list.

2. Jennifer will create a spread sheet of the contact list with the ability for board members to add names.
3. Martha will meet with Rudy to discuss the contact list and other names that may need to be invited.
4. Margee Rodgers will send the current contact list to all board members for their review. This includes community ambassadors.
5. There was discussion about how to send the invitations by email. Some may be printed and hand delivered. This will be determined at the next meeting.
6. Food and Timing – Jennifer will consult with the library for time of access on that morning to begin the set-up. The food and content of the event will be discussed at the September board meeting.

6. Other new business

Jennifer suggested that CR set up a google drive for access to all board members. Martha will establish the google drive.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:50.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday September 1 from 5:00 to 6:30 PM in Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelly Fisher