



117th Annual Meeting

January 22, 2025

The Aqua Turf Club, Plantsville, CT

1. Annual Meeting of Connecticut Nursery & Landscape Association

Call to Order	President Chris Valley CCH
Quorum Certification	President Chris Valley CCH
President's Comments	President Chris Valley CCH
Approval of the Minutes	Secretary/Treasurer Kyle Roller CCH
Treasurer's Report	Secretary/Treasurer Kyle Roller CCH
Legislative Update	Linda Kowalski, Rome Smith Lutz & Kowalski
Old/New Business	President Chris Valley CCH
Award of Merit	
Election & Installation of Officers & Directors	Nominating Committee
Awards	
Appointment of 2026 Nominating Committee	President Chris Valley CCH
Adjournment	President Chris Valley CCH

2. Acknowledgment of Connecticut Certified Horticulturist Program Graduates

Connecticut Nursery & Landscape Association

2024 Annual Meeting Minutes

January 24, 2024

Aqua Turf Club, Plantsville, CT

The CNLA Annual Meeting was called to order by President Chris Valley CANP at 12:31 pm.

CERTIFICATION OF QUORUM Lisa Stevens certified a quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES The minutes from the 2023 Annual Meeting were distributed and were presented by Secretary Kyle Roller CANP.

MOTION: That the 2023 Annual Meeting Minutes be approved as presented. Seconded and approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT The 2022-2023 financial report was distributed and presented by Treasurer Kyle Roller CANP.

MOTION: That the 2022-2023 Financial Report be approved as presented. Seconded and approved.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT Brad Weeks from Rome, Smith, Lutz & Kowalski gave an update on legislative activities.

PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL REPORT President Chris Vally CANP provided a summary of the year in review.

OLD OR NEW BUSINESS President Chris Valley CANP called for any old or new business. There was no old or new business.

AWARDS

- The Young Professional of the Year Award was presented to Lindsay Curran CANP.
- Special Recognition Awards were presented to Bob Isleib and Casey Wade, CANP.

ELECTION & INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS The slate of Officers and Directors was announced, and the Nominating Committee proposed that they be elected for one-year terms beginning with this election.

President: Chris Valley CANP – Prides Corner Farms
Vice President: Matt Fitzpatrick CANP – SiteOne Landscape Services
Secretary/Treasurer: Kyle Roller CANP – Sam Bridge Nursery & Greenhouse
Immediate Past President: Dustyn Nelson CANP – Frank’s Landscape Construction
Directors:

Chris Goodwin – SiteOne Landscape Services
Cecila Keneally – Glengate Company
Dan Maki CANP – Glengate Company
Bill Palmer CANP – Sam Bridge Nursery & Greenhouse
Amanda Pezzullo CANP – State of CT, DEEP, Bureau of Outdoor Recreation, Harkness
Memorial State Park

***MOTION:** That the 2024 Proposed Slate of Officers and Board of Directors be accepted as presented. Seconded and approved unanimously.*

NOMINATING COMMITTEE President Chris Valley appointed Dustyn Nelson CANP as the Chair of the Nominating Committee and Christian Williams to serve as a Committee Member. A third Committee Member will be appointed.

ADJOURNMENT. The meeting was adjourned at 12:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted by



Lisa Stevens, CAE
Executive Director

CNLA 2023-2024 Year End Financial Report

	2023-2024 Actual	2023-2024 Approved Budget
INCOME		
Dues	\$54,880.00	\$58,000.00
Contributions	\$6,950.00	\$7,200.00
Contributions - Other	\$345.00	
Annual Sponsorship		\$1,750.00
CANP (Accred. Nursery Ed.)	\$14,260.00	\$15,950.00
CANP (Recertification)	\$60.00	\$150.00
CNF	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
Winter Meeting	\$37,210.00	\$52,000.00
Summer Meeting	\$28,095.00	\$35,000.00
CT Green Industry Alliance		
Yearbook		
CNLA Open House		
Young Professionals		
Social Events		
Misc. Revenue		
Apparel	\$25.00	\$100.00
CNLA Education Program		
Credit Cards	\$2,366.76	\$1,900.00
Interest Income	\$11.45	\$12.00
Economic Impact Study		
TOTAL INCOME	\$149,203.21	\$177,062.00

	2023-2024 Actual	2023-2024 Approved Budget
EXPENSES		
Executive Office	\$39,000.00	\$39,000.00
Mileage Reimbursement	\$321.21	\$450.00
Postage	\$286.71	\$425.00
Printing In House	\$205.30	\$500.00
Printing Commercial	\$539.96	\$100.00
Computer Operations	\$1,783.05	\$1,600.00
Phone	\$860.06	\$850.00
CPA	\$1,895.25	\$1,900.00
Legal	\$1,740.80	\$2,000.00
Office Supplies	\$1,128.89	\$1,300.00
Yearbook		
Credit Card Fees	\$3,670.02	\$4,400.00
Insurance	\$1,707.00	\$1,600.00
Miscellaneous	\$482.50	
PlantConnecticut		
Website/Internet/Promotional	\$2,583.76	\$2,100.00
Sunshine		\$500.00
Board Meetings		\$700.00
Accred. Nursery Ed. (CANP)	\$7,436.95	\$7,500.00
Winter Meeting	\$46,786.28	\$48,000.00
Summer Meeting	\$31,099.03	\$28,500.00
Membership	\$700.00	\$465.00
Young Professional		\$300.00
Social Events		\$0.00
Allied Organizations	\$854.30	\$750.00
CT. Agriculture Day		\$1,000.00
Government Relations	\$29,000.00	\$29,000.00
Sales Tax Govt Relations	\$1,841.48	\$1,841.50
State Ethics		
Secretary of State	\$50.00	\$50.00
CNLA Open House		
ANLA Lighthouse	\$1,600.00	\$1,600.00
Apparel	\$432.75	
CNLA Education Program		
Strategic Plan		
Marketing/Advertising	\$540.10	\$500.00
CT Green Industry Alliance		\$0.00
Economic Impact Study		
Voter Voice		
Leadership Conference		
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$176,545.40	\$176,931.50
NET INCOME	(\$27,342.19)	\$130.50



REPORT OF THE 2024 NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Listed below is the annual report of the Nominating Committee. This report will be presented to the general membership at the Annual Meeting on Wednesday, January 22, 2025. Additional nominations may be presented and nominated from the floor.

President

Chris Valley CCH
Prides Corner Farms, Lebanon, CT

Vice President

Matthew Fitzpatrick CCH
SiteOne Landscape Supply, Greenwich, CT

Secretary/Treasurer

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Immediate Past President

Dustyn Nelson CCH
Frank's Landscape Construction, Somers, CT

Board of Directors

Chris Goodwin
SiteOne Landscape Supply, Windsor, CT

Cecilia Keneally
Glengate Company, Wilton, CT

Bill Palmer CCH
Sam Bridge Nursery & Greenhouse, Greenwich, CT

Amanda Pezzullo CCH
*State of CT, DEEP, Bureau of Outdoor Recreation
Harkness Memorial State Park, Waterford, CT*

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