

MEMORANDUM

To: Ridgefield First Selectperson Rudy Marconi and the Board of Selectpersons

From Kirk Carr, 62 Prospect Ridge, D4, Ridgefield, CT

Date: December 1, 2023

Subject: Validity of Noise Ordinance Petition

The petitions submitted in furtherance of amending Ridgefield's Noise Ordinance to regulate the use of gas-powered leaf blowers were fatally flawed. The Town Clerk has already rightly disqualified pages that omitted the street addresses of petition circulators.

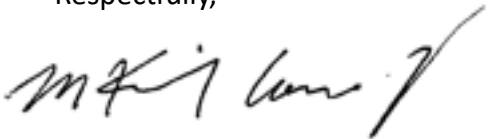
Other pages should have been disqualified due to the illegibility of the names of the circulators. The petitions should have provided a place for circulators to print their names. Fortunately, many of the signatures were legible enough with the aid of street addresses to be properly identified. However, the petition pages (attached) numbered 23, 25, 27, 28, 29, 30, 39, 40, 41, and 42 are illegible and should be rejected.

Disqualifying the signatures on these pages eliminates enough signatures to reduce the signature count below the required 2% threshold.

This process should be delayed until the petitioner can collect the required number of signatures and may require the petitioner to start from the beginning and collect all of the signatures from the start.

In addition, I have identified 39 signatures that may not be valid Ridgefield registered voters for the Town Clerk to review.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kirk Carr", with a long, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

Cc: J. Buchsbaum  
W. Gannon Lionetti