

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT

In the Matter of a Complaint by

FINAL DECISION

Wendy Taylor,

Complainant

against

Docket #FIC 2025-0790

Town Clerk, Town of Bloomfield;
and Town of Bloomfield,

Respondents

May 13, 2026

The above-captioned matter was scheduled to be heard as a contested case on April 6, 2026, at 11:00 am, at which time the respondents appeared, but the complainant did not appear to prosecute the case.¹

The hearing officer notes that Attorney Lauren Gambardella appeared at the contested case hearing for the respondents. Attorney Gambardella represented that she had spent approximately 3 hours reviewing the record in this case and conducting legal research in preparation for the hearing.

The following order by the Commission is hereby recommended on the basis of the record concerning the above-captioned complaint:

1. The complaint is dismissed for failure to prosecute.
2. The complainant is admonished for her failure to appear at the hearing in this matter, which failure resulted in a waste of scarce state and local resources.
3. The complainant is cautioned that, in accordance with §1-206(b)(3)(D), G.S., the Commission may consider a history of nonappearance at its proceedings as cause to decline scheduling a contested case hearing.

Approved by Order of the Freedom of Information Commission at its regular meeting of May 13, 2026.

/S/ Jennifer M. Mayo
Jennifer M. Mayo
Acting Clerk of the Commission

¹ The Commission notes this is the second time in less than three months that the complainant has failed to appear at a scheduled contested case hearing in a matter involving the same respondents. *See Wendy Taylor v. Town Clerk, Town of Bloomfield, et al.*, Docket #FIC 2025-0576 (Feb. 25, 2026) (complaint dismissed due to complainant's failure to appear at the January 21, 2026 contested case hearing).

PURSUANT TO SECTION 4-180(c), G.S., THE FOLLOWING ARE THE NAMES OF EACH PARTY AND THE MOST RECENT MAILING ADDRESS, PROVIDED TO THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION COMMISSION, OF THE PARTIES OR THEIR AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE.

THE PARTIES TO THIS CONTESTED CASE ARE:

WENDY TAYLOR, 162 Depot Street, Broad Brook, CT 06016

TOWN CLERK, TOWN OF BLOOMFIELD; AND TOWN OF BLOOMFIELD, c/o
Attorney Andrew Crumbie and Attorney Lauren A. Gambardella, Crumbie Law Group, LLC,
650 Farmington Avenue, Hartford, CT 06105

/S/ Jennifer M. Mayo _____
Jennifer M. Mayo
Acting Clerk of the Commission