



Town of Groton, Connecticut

Meeting Agenda

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Town Council

Mayor Heather Bond Somers, Councilors Dean G. Antipas, Bruce S. Flax, Bill Johnson, Karen F. Morton, Deborah L. Peruzzotti, Rita M. Schmidt, James L. Streeter, and Harry A. Watson

Tuesday, March 05, 2013

7:30 PM

Town Hall Annex - Community Room 1

REGULAR MEETING

I. ROLL CALL

II. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

III. RECOGNITION, AWARDS & MEMORIALS

2013-0019 Proclamation Recognizing the 2012 Mystic Little League Junior Softball All-Stars Proclamation - TC

2013-0055 Proclamation Recognizing Tyler Mark Homand Proclamation - TC

IV. RECEIPT OF CITIZENS' PETITIONS, COMMENTS AND CONCERNS

This is the portion of the Council Agenda where the Council welcomes comments from citizens. Each presentation should be limited to five (5) minutes or less, and citizens should, if possible, submit written comments. Presentations should be related to matters pertinent to Groton. Town Councilors will only ask questions in order to clarify the speaker's presentation and can respond during the Responses to Citizens' Petitions portion of the Town Council meeting. Citizens should make their presentations from the lectern and state their names and addresses for the record.

V. RESPONSES TO CITIZENS' PETITIONS, COMMENTS AND CONCERNS

VI. CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters listed under Item VI (Consent Calendar) are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion. No separate discussion of these items will take place, unless cause is shown prior to the time Council votes on the motion to adopt.

a. Approval of Minutes

2013-0061 Approval of Minutes (Town Council) Resolution - Consent

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Town Council meeting of February 5, 2013 are hereby accepted and approved.

b. Administrative Items

2013-0050 Special Trust Fund Contributions Resolution - Consent

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING CONTRIBUTIONS TO SPECIAL TRUST FUNDS

RESOLVED, that the Town Council hereby accepts contributions to the Town as follows:

Various Donations - \$478.00 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program

Mary Atha - \$50.00 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program

Lois Babcock - \$50.00 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program

Juliet Cafaro - \$100.00 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program

Richard Davies - \$25.00 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program

Kenneth Fish - \$20.00 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program

Linda Fox - \$25.00 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program

Dennis Haines - \$25.00 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program
 Diane Haines - \$25.00 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program
 Darrell and Dorothy Haines - \$10.00 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program
 Jean Kennedy - \$25.00 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program
 Bruce and Nancy Labelle - \$20.00 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program
 Theofanis and Christina Lampos - \$25.00 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program
 Clifton Martelle - \$50.00 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program
 Nidia and Bernard Somers - \$3.00 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program
 Kathleen and David Vanner - \$25.00 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program
 Anonymous - \$75.00 - Social Services Discretionary
 Larry and Betty Anne Reiter - \$25.00 - Library Miscellaneous
 Alan M. Major - \$50.00 - Library Miscellaneous
 Robert and Phyllis Boggs - \$10.97 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program
 Pasquale Fazio - \$30.00 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program
 Reverend Darnelle Johnson - \$10.00 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program
 Armand and Nancy Morin - \$40.00 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program
 Jeanne Schneider - \$10.00 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program
 Christopher Smarra - \$30.00 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program
 Sadie Tremblay - \$10.00 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program
 Barbara Weeman - \$10.00 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program
 Linda Westhusin - \$50.00 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program
 Charles Rogers - \$35.00 - Social Services Discretionary
 Lee Vincent - \$50.00 - Social Services Discretionary
 Mildred Reed - \$20.00 - Library Miscellaneous

c. Deletions from the Town Council Referral List

2013-0049	Department of Agriculture Aquaculture Division Interaction with Shellfish Commission and Noank Hatchery	Referral
2013-0052	Non-Resident Taxpayer Voting Authorization	Referral
2013-0056	LoveGov Presentation	Referral
2013-0058	Introduction of Ordinance Changing and Redefining the Voting Districts	Referral
2013-0059	Resolution Setting Public Hearing on Ordinance Changing and Redefining the Voting Districts	Referral
2013-0060	Resolution on Charles Barnum Asbestos Floor Tile Removal	Referral
2013-0062	Public Hearing on FYE 2014 Proposed Budget	Referral

VII. COMMUNICATION REPORTS (Other than Committee Reports)

- a. Town Councilors
- b. Clerk of the Representative Town Meeting
- c. Clerk of the Council
- d. Town Manager
- e. Town Attorney

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Community & Cultural Development - Chairman Schmidt

- b. Economic Development - Chairman Johnson**
- c. Education/Health & Social Services - Chairman Watson**
- d. Environment/Energy - Chairman Peruzzotti**
- e. Finance - Chairman Morton**
- f. Personnel/Appointments/Rules - Chairman Flax**
- g. Public Safety - Chairman Streeter**
- h. Public Works/Recreation - Chairman Antipas**
- i. Committee of the Whole - Mayor Somers**

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

X. NEW BUSINESS

- 2013-0058 Introduction of Ordinance Changing and Redefining the Voting Districts Referral**

INTRODUCTION OF AN ORDINANCE CHANGING AND REDEFINING THE VOTING DISTRICTS IN THE TOWN OF GROTON

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GROTON:

That Section 6-1 of the Code of Ordinances, "Voting Districts", consisting of ordinances Nos. 105, 212, 217, and 254 adopted by the Town Council on October 2, 1972, February 18, 1992, March 2, 1993 and July 2, 2002, respectively, is hereby repealed, and the following ordinance is hereby enacted in lieu thereof:

1. The following areas shall hereafter constitute the Voting Districts in the Town of Groton and are hereby adopted to conform to the 2011 Plan of Congressional Districting approved by the State of Connecticut Supreme Court on February 10, 2012 and published by the State of Connecticut Secretary of State on February 15, 2012, and to enact other changes to be made hereby by the Groton Town Council pursuant to Town of Groton Charter § 3.7:

FIRST VOTING DISTRICT

Beginning at the northeast corner of this voting district at a point at the intersection of the centerline of Flanders Road and the centerline of the southbound lane of Interstate Route 95; thence running southerly with the centerline of Flanders Road to a point at its intersection with the centerline of Fort Hill Road (U.S. Route 1), thence running southerly and westerly with the centerline of Fort Hill Road (U.S. Route 1) to a point at the intersection with the centerline of Fort Hill Brook; thence running southerly with the centerline of Fort Hill Brook to Mumford Cove; thence running southerly with the centerline of Mumford Cove and crossing Fishers Island Sound to the south boundary of the Town of Groton; thence running westerly along the south boundary of the Town of Groton to its intersection with the east boundary of the City of Groton; thence running northerly along the east boundary of the City of Groton through Baker Cove; thence running northwesterly and northerly along the east boundary of the City of Groton through Baker Cove and Birch Plain Creek to an angle point in the City of Groton boundary on the south side of Poquonnock Road; thence running northwesterly along the City of Groton boundary and the south side of Poquonnock Road to an angle point in the City of Groton boundary; thence running northerly along the City of Groton boundary to its intersection with the centerline of Meridian Street Extension; thence running southeasterly and easterly with the centerline of Meridian Street Extension to Long Hill Road (U.S. Route 1); thence running northwesterly with the centerline of Long Hill Road (U.S. Route 1) to the intersection with the centerline of the southbound lane of Clarence B. Sharp Highway (Connecticut Route 349); thence running easterly with the centerline of the southbound lane of Clarence B. Sharp Highway (Connecticut Route 349) to its intersection with the centerline of the Interstate Route 95 exit 87

southbound ramp; thence running easterly with the centerline of the Interstate Route 95 exit 87 southbound ramp to its intersection with the centerline of the southbound lane of Interstate Route 95; thence running easterly with the centerline of the southbound lane of Interstate Route 95 to its intersection with the centerline of Flanders Road and to the point of the beginning. All areas lying within the foregoing boundaries shall constitute the First Voting District of the Town of Groton.

SECOND VOTING DISTRICT

Beginning at the northwest corner of this voting district at a point on the GROTON-NEW LONDON town line; thence running due east to the intersection of Eastern Point Road and Nicholas Avenue; thence running easterly with the centerline of Nicholas Avenue to Benham Road; thence crossing Benham Road to Hynes Avenue and continuing easterly with the centerline of Hynes Avenue to Brandegee Avenue; thence running northerly with the centerline of Brandegee Avenue to Rainville Avenue; thence running easterly and northeasterly with the centerline of Rainville Avenue to Poquonnock Road; thence running southeasterly with the centerline of Poquonnock Road to a point on the east boundary of the City of Groton; thence running southerly along the east boundary of the City of Groton to an angle point in the City of Groton boundary on the south side of Poquonnock Road; thence running southeasterly along the City of Groton boundary to the east boundary of the City of Groton; thence running southerly and southeasterly along the east boundary of the City of Groton through Birch Plain Creek and Baker Cove; thence running southerly along the east boundary of the City of Groton through Baker Cove and Fishers Island Sound to the south boundary of the Town of Groton; thence running westerly along the south boundary of the Town of Groton; thence running northerly along the GROTON-NEW LONDON town line to a point due west of the intersection of Eastern Point Road and Nicholas Avenue and to the point of the beginning. All areas lying within the foregoing boundaries shall constitute the Second Voting District of the Town of Groton.

THIRD VOTING DISTRICT

Beginning at the northwest corner of this voting district and the northwest corner of the City of Groton; thence running easterly along the north boundary of the City of Groton and the north side of Grove Avenue; thence running southeasterly, southerly and southeasterly along the northeast boundary of the City of Groton to a point in the vicinity of Meridian Street Extension; thence running southerly along the east boundary of the City of Groton on to a point in the centerline of Poquonnock Road; thence running northwesterly with the centerline of Poquonnock Road to Rainville Avenue; thence running southwestly and westerly with the centerline of Rainville Avenue to Brandegee Avenue; thence running southerly with the centerline of Brandegee Avenue to Hynes Avenue; thence running westerly with the centerline of Hynes Avenue to Benham Road; thence crossing Benham road to Nicholas Avenue and continuing westerly with the centerline of Nicholas Avenue to Eastern Point Road; thence running due west to the GROTON-NEW LONDON town line; thence running northerly along the GROTON-NEW LONDON town line to the northwest corner of the City of Groton and to the point of the beginning. All areas lying within the foregoing boundaries shall constitute the Third Voting District of the Town of Groton.

FOURTH VOTING DISTRICT

Beginning at the northwestern corner of this voting district running along the GROTON-LEDYARD town line to the intersection of North Road (Connecticut Route 117); thence running southerly with the centerline of North Road (Connecticut Route 117); thence running westerly with the centerline of the southbound lane of Interstate Route 95 to its intersection with the Interstate Route 95 exit 87 southbound ramp; thence running southwestly with the centerline of the Interstate Route 95 exit 87 southbound ramp to its intersection with U.S. Route 1; thence running southeasterly with the centerline of U.S. Route 1 to the intersection of Meridian Street Extension; thence running westerly and northwesterly with the centerline of Meridian Street Extension to its intersection with the easterly boundary of the City of Groton; thence running northerly and northwesterly along the northeast boundary of the City of Groton to a point on the north side of Grove Avenue; thence running westerly along the north boundary of the City of Groton to the GROTON-NEW LONDON town line; thence running northerly along the GROTON-NEW LONDON town line and the GROTON-WATERFORD

town line to its intersection with the GROTON-LEDYARD town line and to the point of the beginning. All Areas lying within the foregoing boundaries shall constitute the Fourth Voting District of the Town of Groton.

FIFTH VOTING DISTRICT

Beginning at the northeast corner of this district and the northeast corner of the Town of Groton at a point in Hyde Pond; thence running southerly along the GROTON-STONINGTON town line through Whitford Brook and the Mystic River to its intersection with the centerline of the south bound lane of Interstate Route 95; thence running westerly with the centerline of the south bound lane of Interstate 95 to its intersection with the centerline of Connecticut Route 117; thence running northerly with the centerline of Connecticut Route 117 to its intersection with the GROTON-LEDYARD town line; thence running easterly along the GROTON-LEDYARD town line to the point of beginning. All areas lying within the foregoing boundaries shall constitute the Fifth Voting District of the Town of Groton.

SIXTH VOTING DISTRICT

Beginning at the northeast corner of this voting district at a point where the centerline of the south bound lane of Interstate Route 95 crosses the GROTON-STONINGTON town line in the Mystic River; thence running southerly along the GROTON-STONINGTON town line through the Mystic River to a point southeasterly of the railroad bridge over Beebe Cove; thence running northwesterly through the railroad bridge over Beebe Cove to a point in Beebe Cove west of Half Penny Island; thence running northerly in Beebe Cove to a point in line with the prolongation southeasterly of the centerline of Fishtown Road; thence running northwesterly with the prolongation of Fishtown Road, crossing Beebe Cove, the shore and Elm Street (Connecticut Route 215) to Fishtown Road; thence running northwesterly and northerly with the centerline of Fishtown Road to its intersection with New London Road (U.S. Route 1) and Noank Ledyard Road; thence running northerly, northeasterly and northerly with the centerline of Noank Ledyard Road to its intersection with the centerline of the south bound lane of Interstate Route 95; thence running easterly with the centerline of the south bound lane of Interstate Route 95 to the GROTON-STONINGTON town line and to the point of the beginning. All areas lying within the foregoing boundaries shall constitute the Sixth Voting District of the Town of Groton.

SEVENTH VOTING DISTRICT

Beginning at a point on the GROTON-STONINGTON town line southeast of the railroad bridge over Beebe Cove; thence running southerly along the GROTON-STONINGTON town line to the south boundary of the Town of Groton; thence running westerly along the south boundary of the Town of Groton to a point south of Mumford Cove; thence running northerly along the centerline of Mumford Cove to Fort Hill Brook; thence running northerly along the centerline of Fort Hill Brook to its intersection with the centerline of Fort Hill Road (U.S. Route 1); thence running easterly with the centerline of Fort Hill Road (U.S. Route 1) to the intersection of Flanders Road; thence running northerly along the centerline of Flanders Road to its intersection with the centerline of the south bound lane of Interstate Route 95; thence running easterly with the centerline of the south bound lane of Interstate Route 95 to its intersection with the centerline of Noank Ledyard Road; thence running southerly, southwesterly and southerly with the centerline of Noank Ledyard Road to its intersection with New London Road (U.S. Route 1) and Fishtown Road; thence running southerly and southeasterly with the centerline of Fishtown Road to its intersection with Elm Street (Connecticut Route 215); thence running southeasterly along the prolongation southeasterly of the centerline of Fishtown Road, crossing Elm Street (Connecticut Route 215), to the shore and Beebe Cove; thence running southerly in Beebe Cove to a point west of Half Penny Island and northwesterly of the railroad bridge over Beebe Cove; thence running southeasterly in Beebe Cove through the railroad bridge to the GROTON-STONINGTON town line and to the point of the beginning. All areas lying within the foregoing boundaries shall constitute the Seventh Voting District of the Town of Groton.

2. Changes to Districts One, Four and Five have been made as required by the 2011 Redistricting Plan enacted by the State of Connecticut.

3. By vote of the Groton Town Council, the former Districts Four and Five have been combined. The resulting district will henceforth be known as District Four.

4. By vote of the Groton Town Council, a portion of District 8 has been combined with District 1.

5. Districts Six, Seven and Eight have been renumbered to reflect the combining of Districts Four and Five. Henceforth, District Six will be known as District Five; District Seven will be known as District Six; and District Eight will be known as District Seven.

Legislative History

2/21/2013	Mayor	Referred	Town Council Committee of th
2/26/2013	Town Council Committee of the Whole	Discussed	
2/26/2013	Town Council Committee of the Whole	Recommended for a Resolution	

2013-0059 Resolution Setting Public Hearing on Ordinance Changing and Redefining the Voting Districts Referral

RESOLUTION SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING ON AN ORDINANCE CHANGING AND REDEFINING THE VOTING DISTRICTS

RESOLVED, that the Town Council will hold a public hearing on an Ordinance Changing and Redefining the Voting Districts on Tuesday, March 12, 2013 at 7:30 p.m. in Town Hall Annex Community Room 1.

Legislative History

2/21/2013	Mayor	Referred	Town Council Committee of th
2/26/2013	Town Council Committee of the Whole	Discussed	
2/26/2013	Town Council Committee of the Whole	Recommended for a Resolution	

2013-0060 Resolution on Charles Barnum Asbestos Floor Tile Removal Referral

RESOLUTION ON CHARLES BARNUM ASBESTOS FLOOR TILE REMOVAL

WHEREAS, the Groton Board of Education has determined that worn out asbestos floor tile must be abated and replaced at Charles Barnum Elementary School, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Groton Town Council authorizes the Groton Board of Education to apply to the Commissioner of Education and to accept or reject a grant for the proposed project to remove and replace all asbestos containing floor tile in Charles Barnum Elementary School, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Permanent School Building Committee is hereby established as the building committee with regard to the proposed project to remove and replace all remaining asbestos containing floor tile in Charles Barnum Elementary School, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Groton Town Council hereby authorizes the preparation of drawings and specifications for the proposed project to remove and replace all remaining asbestos containing floor tile in Charles Barnum Elementary School.

Legislative History

2/21/2013	Mayor	Referred	Town Council Committee of th
2/26/2013	Town Council Committee of the Whole	Discussed	

