



Town of Groton, Connecticut

Meeting Agenda

45 Fort Hill Road
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Town Clerk 860-441-6640
Town Manager 860-441-6630

Representative Town Meeting

Moderator Christine Conley, Representatives Karin Adams, Jean-Claude Ambroise, Joseph Baril, Alicia Bauer, Susan Deane-Shinbrot, Luanne E. DeMatto, John A. Espada, Robert M. Garcia, Patrice Granatosky, Dolores Harrell, Karen Hatcher, Conrad F. Heede, Lynn Crockett Hubbard, Matthew G. Longino, Jim Loughlin, Lisa M. Luck, Brandon Marley, Jackie Massett, Bruce A. McDermott, Roscoe Merritt, Scott Meyer, Douglas Monaghan, Kathy Neugent, Scott Newsome, Juliette M. Parker, Richard J. Pasqualini, Jr., Shawn Powers, John F. Scott IV, Jack Sebastian, Richard Semeraro, Bill Smith, Judith Strode, Mark Svencer, Archie C. Swindell, Fred Turnbull, Patricia Wagner, Richard Waselik, Lori A. Watrous, Ivy R. Williams and Jonathan E. Wilson

Wednesday, January 08, 2014

7:30 PM

Groton Senior Center

Regular Meeting

- A. ROLL CALL
- B. MOMENT OF SILENCE AND SALUTE TO THE FLAG
- C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF DECEMBER 11, 2013
- D. CITIZENS' PETITIONS

This is the portion of the RTM agenda where the RTM welcomes comments from citizens. Each presentation should be limited to ten minutes or less, and citizens should, if possible, submit written comments. Presentations should be limited to matters pertinent to Groton. The Moderator, or members through the Moderator, shall ask questions only in order to clarify the speaker's presentation. Responses may be given by the Moderator and/or by the Town Manager. Citizens should make their presentations from the lectern and state their names and addresses for the record.

- E. RECEPTION OF COMMUNICATIONS
- F. REPORT OF THE TOWN MANAGER
 - 1. Financial report
 - 2. Monthly briefing
- G. REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
- H. LIAISON REPORTS
- I. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- 1. FINANCE - Chairman Granatosky
- 2. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & SERVICES -Chairman Semeraro

2013-0293 Creation of a Groton RTM Economic Development Corporation

CREATION OF A GROTON REPRESENTATIVE TOWN MEETING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Legislative History

12/11/2013

Representative Town Meeting

Referred

RTM Community Development &

Rep. Scott suggested that the Town needs creative ideas for dealing with the budget, and specifically for increasing revenues. He distributed material and made a Power Point presentation proposing the creation of a Groton Representative Town Meeting Economic Development Corporation to focus on all aspects of economic development in Groton. He laid out the details of the proposed corporation, including purpose, structure and cost. He cited the failure of Town and City governments to retain businesses and attract new ones to the area. Rep. Scott suggested that the RTM use Power of Initiative as permitted by the Town Charter to set the process in motion.

MOTION to suspend the rules to consider Item 2013-0293 CREATION OF A GROTON REPRESENTATIVE TOWN MEETING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION under Power of Initiative was made by Rep. Scott, seconded by Rep. Massett.

The roll call vote to suspend the rules failed 18 in favor, 18 opposed, 3 abstentions. (This motion required a two-thirds vote of those present.) (In favor: Reps. Adams, Ambroise, Baril, DeMatto, Espada, Heede, Hubbard, Longino, Massett, McDermott, Meyer, Monaghan, Pasqualini, Scott, Strode, Turnbull, Wagner, Wilson. Opposed: Reps. Bauer, Deane-Shinbrot, Grantosky, Garcia, Harrell, Hatcher, Loughlin, Marley, Neugent, Newsome, Parker, Semeraro, Smith, Svencer, Swindell, Waselik, Williams, Conley. Abstaining: Reps. Luck, Merritt, Powers.)

Moderator Conley directed that the committee should meet on this item prior to the January meeting. In response to Rep. Hatcher's request that this item also be referred to the Finance Committee, the Moderator noted that she would rather make the referral to one committee and refer it to a second committee at a later time if necessary.

3. EDUCATION - Chairman Swindell

4. RECREATION - Chairman Svencer

5. PUBLIC SAFETY - Chairman Pasqualini

6. PUBLIC WORKS - Chairman Heede

7. RULES & PROCEDURES - Chairman Ambroise

2013-0296 Rules for Twenty-Ninth RTM

RESOLUTION ADOPTING RULES FOR THE TWENTY-NINTH REPRESENTATIVE TOWN MEETING

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rules of the Twenty-Ninth Representative Town Meeting as recommended by the Temporary Rules & Procedures Committee are hereby adopted.

J. BUDGET DISCUSSIONS

K. OTHER BUSINESS

L. ADJOURNMENT