



Town of Groton, Connecticut

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Meeting Agenda

Representative Town Meeting

Moderator Jean-Claude Ambroise, Representatives Karin Adams, Scott W. Aument, Sr., Joseph Baril, Nancy E. Barnhart, Alicia Bauer, Genevieve Cerf, Susan Chase-Hildebrand, Michael Collins, Christine Conley, Susan Deane-Shinbrot, Luanne E. DeMatto, Nancy Driscoll, Dave Ferreira, Neal Gardner, Patrice Granatosky, Dolores Harrell, Karen Hatcher, Keith L. Hedrick, Lynn Crockett Hubbard, Michael Dean Johnson, Rosanne E. Kotowski, Jim Loughlin, Elizabeth Luck, Jackie Massett, Bruce A. McDermott, Roscoe Merritt, Scott Newsome, Richard J. Pasqualini, Jr., Betty A. Prochaska, Pam Ryley, Jack Sebastian, Dana S. Semeraro, Joan Steinfeld, Irma Streeter, Mark Svencer, Archie C. Swindell, Lori A. Watrous and Ivy R. Williams

Wednesday, June 13, 2012

7:30 PM

Groton Senior Center

Regular Meeting

- A. ROLL CALL
- B. MOMENT OF SILENCE AND SALUTE TO THE FLAG
- C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 1. Regular Meeting May 9, 2012
- 2. Annual Budget Meeting April-May 2012

- 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

2012-0111 FYE 2012 Fourth Quarter Transfers

RESOLUTION FOR FYE 2012 FOURTH QUARTER TRANSFERS

WHEREAS, the Town Charter provides for supplemental appropriations to Adopted Budgets and transfers from the Contingency function during the year and

WHEREAS, the Town Charter also provides for the transfer of funds from one departmental function

to another departmental function during the last three months of the fiscal year, and

WHEREAS, transfers are necessary and represent expenditures that were unforeseen or unexpected at the time the FYE 2012 budget was adopted, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that \$23,000 be transferred from the General Fund Contingency function (#1074) to Voter Registration (#10031) for costs associated with the April 24, 2012 presidential primary.

Refer to RTM.

Legislative History

4/12/2012	Mayor	Referred	Town Council Committee of the W
4/23/2012	Town Council Committee of the Whole	Discussed	
<i>Sal Pandolfo, Director of Finance, described the request for a fourth quarter transfer from Contingency to Registrar of Voters for costs associated with the primary on April 24th.</i>			
4/23/2012	Town Council	Adopted and Referred	Representative Town Meeting
4/23/2012	Town Council Committee of the Whole	Recommended for a Resolution	
<i>Councilor Watson stated that he will be working at the polls for the primary and he abstained from voting.</i>			
4/24/2012	Representative Town Meeting	Referred	RTM Finance Committee
5/1/2012	Town Council	Deleted from Referral List - Action to be taken	

2. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & SERVICES - Chairman Ferreira

2012-0158 Services Shared Between Towns

SERVICES SHARED BETWEEN TOWNS

Legislative History

4/30/2012	Representative Town Meeting	Referred	RTM Community Development &
<i>Rep. Swindell requested a referral to investigate legislative options that would enforce equitable funding for services shared by adjacent Towns. He noted that current State Statute does not allow services to be denied to the Town of Stonington.</i>			

3. EDUCATION - Chairman Hedrick

4. RECREATION - Chairman Streeter

5. PUBLIC SAFETY - Chairman Pasqualini

6. PUBLIC WORKS - Chairman Collins

7. RULES & PROCEDURES - Chairman Massett

2012-0113 RTM Email Options

Possible amendment to RTM Rules to allow for emailing of information to members

Legislative History

4/11/2012	Representative Town Meeting	Referred	RTM Rules & Procedures Commi
<i>Rep. Conley reported that the email testing for distribution of communications since February has been flawless. She would like to see an amendment to the RTM Rules that provides a detailed voluntary option for distributing all information to members via email.</i>			

2012-0112 RTM Committee Debate and Decorum

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Legislative History

4/11/2012 Representative Town Meeting Referred RTM Rules & Procedures Commi

Rep. Kotowski expressed concern regarding the procedures at the RTM Education Committee meeting held on March 14. She feels that the democratic process of debate and discussion was not handled correctly. She questioned the powers of ex-officio members of the RTM.

The Town Clerk explained the rules of a special meeting and stated that all RTM committee meetings are special meetings and that discussion, debate and votes should pertain to the item on the floor. The chairman of the meeting is responsible for ruling on a point of order.

Rep. Cerf attended the same committee meeting and supports Rep. Kotowski. Rep. Cerf felt pressured and believes that discussion was steered in the direction of getting to the vote on the appropriation. She feels that information pertaining to the expenditure was not allowed. She stated that Rep. Kotowski was prepared and had a list of questions that should have been answered. Rep. Cerf requested a referral to the RTM Rules and Procedures Committee to discuss the action of ex-officio members, the tendency to pressure members to make a decision when additional information is requested, and the impartiality of the chairperson while conducting the meeting.

The Moderator referred this to the RTM Rules and Procedures Committee with no due date. He noted that there is no requirement for a due date and that the Chairman has control over scheduling the meeting to address referrals.

9. CONSOLIDATION - Chairman Pasqualini

J. OTHER BUSINESS

K. ADJOURNMENT