



Town of Groton, Connecticut

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Meeting Agenda

Town Council

Mayor Heather Bond Somers, Councilors Dean G. Antipas, Bruce S. Flax, Bill Johnson, Frank O'Beirne, Jr., Deborah L. Peruzzotti, Rita M. Schmidt, James L. Streeter, and Harry A. Watson

Tuesday, May 15, 2012

7:30 PM

Town Hall Annex - Community Room 1

REGULAR MEETING

I. ROLL CALL

II. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

III. RECOGNITION, AWARDS & MEMORIALS

2012-0131 Proclamation Recognizing Noank Community Market

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

2012-0140 Approval of Minutes (Town Council)

Resolution - Consent

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Town Council meeting of May 1, 2012 are hereby accepted and approved.

b. Administrative Items

2012-0127 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:

The Sunup Foundation - \$10,000 - Library Miscellaneous

First United Methodist Church - \$25.00 - Social Services Discretionary

Charles Rogers - \$25.00 - Social Services Discretionary

Lee Vincent - \$50.00 - Social Services Discretionary

George Marshall - \$100.00 - Social Services Discretionary

Robert and Phyllis Boggs - \$8.32 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program

Frederic Franzius - \$10.00 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program

Anne-Marie Quagliaroli - \$15.00 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program

Sound Home Builders - \$50.00 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program

City of Groton Matching Funds - \$929.12 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program

c. Deletions from the Town Council Referral List

2012-0049	Purchase of Fusconi Property, Crystal Lake Road	Referral
2012-0110	Connecticut Dial-A-Ride Grant	Referral
2012-0133	Groton Open Space Association (GOSA) Request for Endorsement of Candlewood Ridge (Lambtown Road) Land Purchase	Referral
2012-0135	Summer Food Service Program (2012)	Referral
2012-0137	Public Hearing on Small Cities Community Block Grant 2012 Application	Resolution
2012-0138	Public Information Meeting for Crystal Lake Road Operational and Safety Improvements Project	Resolution
2012-0139	Appointment of Susan Sayer to Zoning Commission	Resolution

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 O'Beirne
- 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

2012-0049	Purchase of Fusconi Property, Crystal Lake Road	Referral
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PURCHASE OF FUSCONI PROPERTY, CRYSTAL LAKE ROAD

WHEREAS, the Fusconi Dry Cleaner site at 5 Crystal Lake Road is located directly across the street from the main gate of the U.S. Submarine Base, and

WHEREAS, the Fusoni Dry Cleaning building and site has remained closed and vacate for over 5

years and is currently in a state of disrepair, and

WHEREAS, acquisition of the site is necessary to accommodate future traffic improvements in the vicinity of Crystal Lake Road and Military Highway; allow for the removal of a deteriorating building; to undertake general clean-up of the site; and to mitigate future encroachment near the SUBASE, and

WHEREAS, the State Bond Commission as its April 27, 2012 meeting approved \$455,000 in funding for the purchase of the property by the Town of Groton including demolition and administrative costs, and

WHEREAS, the Groton Town Council has previously authorized the preparation and signing of a purchase sales agreement to purchase the Fusconi property for \$367,900, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that Mark R. Oefinger, Town Manager is hereby authorized to acquire a parcel of land owned by Remo Fusconi Trust located at 5 Crystal Lake Road for the sum of \$367,900 pursuant to the provisions of the previously authorized purchase sales agreement, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Manager is hereby authorized to accept a deed for said parcel upon approval of the Town Attorney

Refer to RTM

Legislative History

2/6/2012 Mayor Referred Town Council Committee of th

2/14/2012 Town Council Committee of Discussed
the Whole

Town Manager Oefinger reported that the State Bond Commission meeting scheduled for February 24th has been cancelled. The next meeting will be toward the end of the March. There is no value in starting the purchase process until the Bond Commission has acted.

3/13/2012 Town Council Committee of Discussed
the Whole

Town Manager Oefinger reported that he was waiting for the upcoming State Bond Commission, which was at the end of March for the funds approved by State. The Town Manager said that he was already authorized and as soon as this happened the Town Council could meet and review this project in Executive Session.

5/8/2012 Town Council Committee of Discussed
the Whole

5/8/2012 Town Council Committee of Recommended for a
the Whole Resolution

2012-0133 Groton Open Space Association (GOSA) Request for Referral
Endorsement of Candlewood Ridge (Lambtown Road)
Land Purchase

RESOLUTION ENDORSING GROTON OPEN SPACE ASSOCIATION'S APPLICATION TO THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL AND ENERGY PROTECTION'S OPEN SPACE AND WATERSHED LAND ACQUISITION GRANT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Groton Open Space Association (GOSA) has requested the Groton Town Council's endorsement of an application for grant funds to purchase a parcel of land located on Lambtown Road and Route 184 referred to by GOSA as "Candlewood Ridge," now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Council endorses GOSA's application to the State of Connecticut Department of Environmental and Energy Protection's Open Space and Watershed Land Acquisition Grant Program for the Candlewood Ridge parcel on Lambtown Road and Route 184.

Legislative History

	5/1/2012	Mayor	Referred	Town Council Committee of th
	5/8/2012	Town Council Committee of the Whole	Discussed	
	5/8/2012	Town Council Committee of the Whole	Recommended for a Resolution	
2012-0135	Summer Food Service Program (2012)			Referral

RESOLUTION TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAMS TO OPERATE A 2012 SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN IN GROTON

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Agriculture provides funding through the Connecticut State Department of Education, Child Nutrition Programs, for a Summer Food Service Program for Children, and

WHEREAS, the Summer Food Service Program for Children promotes and provides good nutrition during the summer months when at-risk, low-income children are not receiving the benefits of the Federal School Breakfast/Lunch Program through their schools, and

WHEREAS, units of local government may act as sponsors for the Summer Food Service Program and the Town of Groton is capable of administering Groton's Summer Food Service Program for Children, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Manager, Mark R. Oefinger, is authorized to enter into an agreement with the Connecticut State Department of Education, Child Nutrition Programs for the purpose of establishing and operating a Groton based Summer Food Service Program for Children, overseen by the Parks and Recreation Department and Administrative Services Department, during the months of June, July and August 2012 and sign claims for reimbursement, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that in the absence or incapacity of the first designated individual (Town Manager Oefinger), the Town Finance Director, Salvatore M. Pandolfo, is designated to sign claims for reimbursement.

Legislative History

	5/2/2012	Mayor	Referred	Town Council Committee of th
	5/8/2012	Town Council Committee of the Whole	Discussed	
	5/8/2012	Town Council Committee of the Whole	Recommended for a Resolution	
2012-0137	Public Hearing on Small Cities Community Block Grant 2012 Application			Resolution

RESOLUTION SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE SMALL CITIES COMMUNITY BLOCK GRANT 2012 APPLICATION

RESOLVED, that the Town Council will hold a public hearing on the Town of Groton's Small Cities Community Block Grant 2012 Application on Tuesday, June 5, 2012, at 7:30 p.m., at Town Hall Annex, Community Room 1.

Legislative History

	5/8/2012	Town Council Committee of the Whole	Recommended for a Resolution	
2012-0138	Public Information Meeting for Crystal Lake Road Operational and Safety Improvements Project			Resolution

RESOLUTION SETTING PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING DATE FOR CRYSTAL LAKE ROAD OPERATIONAL AND SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

