



# 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, Karen F. Morton, Deborah L. Peruzzotti, Rita M. Schmidt, James L. Streeter, and Harry A. Watson*

Tuesday, November 19, 2013

7:30 PM

Town Hall Annex - Community Room 1

### REGULAR MEETING

#### I. ROLL CALL

#### II. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

#### III. RECOGNITION, AWARDS & MEMORIALS

2013-0254 Proclamation Recognizing Bryce Jacobson

Proclamation - TC

2013-0273 Proclamation Recognizing Russell Travis Parker

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

2013-0275 Approval of Minutes (Town Council)

Resolution - Consent

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Town Council meeting of November 4, 2013 are hereby accepted and approved.

##### b. Administrative Items

2013-0255 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:

Adrienne and Bill Loweth - \$1,000.00 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program

City of Groton - July - \$124.18 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program

Mystic Photography Group - \$75.00 - Library Miscellaneous

Emily Burke - \$13.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Patricia Carrigan - \$20.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Eileen Cicchese - \$31.74 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Karen Colgan - \$10.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Jane W. Coutu - \$60.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving  
 Diane Darling - \$12.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving  
 SusanneMcMillan - \$1,500 - Parks and Recreation Revolving  
 Kelsey A. Fournier - \$200.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving  
 Mark Fournier - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving  
 Heather Frost - \$50.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving  
 Patricia Garcia - \$10.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving  
 Lillian Green - \$10.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving  
 SECADD Inc. - \$300.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving  
 James Ledwidge - \$10.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving  
 Janet Ledwidge - \$12.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving  
 Eric Motin - \$10.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving  
 Emily Nelson - \$5.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving  
 Knights of CCoulombs - \$300.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving  
 Daniel Pineault - \$20.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving  
 Barbara Strother - \$105.80 - Parks and Recreation Revolving  
 Phyllis Walsh - \$190.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving  
 Wesley Williams - \$10.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving  
 Lillian Zabinsky - \$100.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving  
 Neil Zabinsky - \$10.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving  
 Kirsti Zarn - \$52.91 - Parks and Recreation Revolving  
 Groton Public Library Circle of Friends - \$2,192.69 - Library Miscellaneous

#### **c. Deletions from the Town Council Referral List**

2013-0256	Hazard Mitigation Grant Program - Senior Center Generator	Referral
2013-0257	Resale of Town-Owned Property	Referral
2013-0260	Adoption of 2014 Town Council Regular Meeting Schedule	Referral
2013-0261	Adoption of 2014 Town Council Committee of the Whole Regular Meeting Schedule	Referral
2013-0262	Adoption of 2014 Personnel, Rules, and Appointments Committee Regular Meeting Schedule	Referral
2013-0263	City of Groton Notification of Use of Highway Paving Funds	Referral
2013-0264	Appointment of Allan Gaudet to Permanent School Building Committee	Referral
2013-0265	Reappointment of Laura Bradley to Fair Rent Commission	Referral
2013-0266	Reappointment of June DeCarlo to Fair Rent Commission	Referral
2013-0267	Reappointment of Catherine Talbot to Harbor Management Commission	Referral
2013-0268	Reappointment of William Gaynor to Harbor Management Commission	Referral
2013-0269	Reappointment of Robert Austin-LeFrance fro Permanet	Referral
2013-0270	Reappointment of Laura Baller to Water Pollution Conrol Facility	Referral
2013-0271	Appointment of William Middleton to Zoning Commission	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

2013-0256     **Hazard Mitigation Grant Program - Senior Center Generator**     **Referral**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO SUBMIT A FEMA HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT APPLICATION

WHEREAS, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) through the Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security offers grants to mitigate or eliminate damage resulting from natural disasters, and

WHEREAS, the Public Works Department and the Emergency Management Office are recommending the installation of a new diesel generator, enclosure, transfer switch and electric distribution panel at the Groton Senior Center to carry additional building load when the center is used as a shelter/respite location, and

WHEREAS, the estimated total cost of the project is \$500,000 and the FEMA grant will reimburse 75% of those costs or \$375,000, and

WHEREAS, the Town match of \$125,000 will be requested in the FYE 2015 Capital Improvement Program, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that Town Manager Mark R. Oefinger is authorized to submit an application for a FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant for a generator at the Senior Center.

Legislative History

10/31/2013     Mayor

Referred

Town Council Committee of th

	11/12/2013	Town Council Committee of the Whole	Discussed	
	11/12/2013	Town Council Committee of the Whole	Recommended for a Resolution	
<b>2013-0257</b>		<b>Resale of Town-Owned Property</b>		<b>Referral</b>

RESOLUTION REGARDING THE SALE OF TOWN-OWNED PROPERTY

WHEREAS, in December 1994 the Town Council approved a process for the resale of Town-owned property acquired through a tax sale and/or foreclosure, and

WHEREAS, in November 2007 the Town Attorney reviewed the process relative to applicable State Statutes, Town Charter provisions, and ordinances, and

WHEREAS, modifications of the process are necessary to comply with the Town Attorney's findings, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Council amends the Process for Resale of Town Owned Property as presented to the Committee of the Whole on November 12, 2013 and implements the procedure regarding resale of acquired property, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the sale of applicable properties be referred to the Planning Commission and RTM.

Legislative History

	11/1/2013	Mayor	Referred	Town Council Committee of th
	11/12/2013	Town Council Committee of the Whole	Discussed	
	11/12/2013	Town Council Committee of the Whole	Recommended for a Resolution	
<b>2013-0260</b>		<b>Adoption of 2014 Town Council Regular Meeting Schedule</b>		<b>Referral</b>

RESOLUTION APPROVING 2014 TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Council hereby approves the Town Council regular meeting schedule for 2014 as follows:

Tuesday, January 7, 2014  
Tuesday, January 21, 2014

Tuesday, February 4, 2014  
Tuesday, February 18, 2014

Tuesday, March 4, 2014  
Tuesday, March 18, 2014

Tuesday April 1, 2014  
Tuesday, April 15, 2014

Tuesday, May 6, 2014  
Tuesday, May 20, 2014

Tuesday, June 3, 2014  
Tuesday, June 17, 2014

Tuesday, July 1, 2014

- Tuesday, July 15, 2014
- Tuesday, August 5, 2014
- Tuesday, August 19, 2014
- Tuesday, September 2, 2014
- Tuesday, September 16, 2014
- Tuesday, October 7, 2014
- Tuesday, October 21, 2014
- Monday, November 3, 2014
- Tuesday, November 18, 2014
- Tuesday, December 2, 2014
- Tuesday, December 16, 2014

All meetings begin at 7:30 p.m. in Community Room 1, Town Hall Annex, 134 Groton Long Point Road, on the first and third Tuesdays of each month, except in November because of Election Day.

Legislative History

	11/4/2013	Mayor	Referred	Town Council Committee of th
	11/12/2013	Town Council Committee of the Whole	Recommended for a Resolution	
2013-0261		<b>Adoption of 2014 Town Council Committee of the Whole Regular Meeting Schedule</b>		<b>Referral</b>

RESOLUTION APPROVING 2014 TOWN COUNCIL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Council hereby approves the Committee of the Whole regular meeting schedule for 2014 as follows:

- Tuesday, January 14, 2014
- Tuesday, January 28, 2014
- Tuesday, February 11, 2014
- Tuesday, February 25, 2014
- Tuesday, March 11, 2014
- Tuesday, March 25, 2014
- Tuesday, April 8, 2014
- Tuesday, April 22, 2014
- Tuesday, May 13, 2014
- Tuesday, May 27, 2014
- Tuesday, June 10, 2014
- Tuesday, June 24, 2014
- Tuesday, July 8, 2014
- Tuesday, July 22, 2014
- Tuesday, August 12, 2014
- Tuesday, August 26, 2014

Tuesday, September 9, 2014  
 Tuesday, September 23, 2014

Tuesday, October 7, 2014  
 Tuesday, October 21, 2014

Wednesday, November 12, 2014  
 Tuesday, November 25, 2014

Tuesday, December 9, 2014  
 Tuesday, December 23, 2014

All meetings begin at 6:00 p.m. in Community Room 1, Town Hall Annex, 134 Groton Long Point Road, on the Second and Fourth Tuesdays of each month, except in November because of Veterans' Day.

Legislative History

	11/4/2013	Mayor	Referred	Town Council Committee of th
	11/12/2013	Town Council Committee of the Whole	Recommended for a Resolution	
2013-0262		<b>Adoption of 2014 Personnel, Rules, and Appointments Committee Regular Meeting Schedule</b>		<b>Referral</b>

RESOLUTION APPROVING 2014 TOWN COUNCIL PERSONNEL, RULES, AND APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Council hereby approves the Personnel, Rules and Appointments Committee regular meeting schedule for 2013 as follows:

Tuesday, January 7, 2014

Tuesday, February 4, 2014

Tuesday, March 4, 2014

Tuesday April 1, 2014

Tuesday, May 6, 2014

Tuesday, June 3, 2014

Tuesday, July 1, 2014

Tuesday, August 5, 2014

Tuesday, September 2, 2014

Tuesday, October 7, 2014

Monday, November 3, 2014

Tuesday, December 2, 2014

All meetings begin at 6:00 p.m. in Community Room 1, Town Hall Annex, 134 Groton Long Point Road, on the First Tuesday of each month, except in November because of Election Day.

Legislative History

- 11/4/2013 Mayor Referred Town Council Committee of th
- 11/12/2013 Town Council Committee of the Whole Recommended for a Resolution
- 2013-0264 Appointment of Allan Gaudet to Permanent School Building Committee Referral**
- RESOLUTION APPOINTING ALLAN GAUDET TO THE PERMANENT SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE
- RESOLVED, that Allan Gaudet, 160 Walker Hill Road, is hereby appointed to the Permanent School Building Committee for a term ending 9/29/15.

Legislative History

- 11/4/2013 Town Council Recommended for a Personnel/Appointments/Rules Resolution /Legislation Committee (2011)
- 2013-0265 Reappointment of Laura Bradley to Fair Rent Commission Referral**
- REAPPOINTMENT OF LAURA BRADLEY TO THE FAIR RENT COMMISSION
- RESOLVED, that Laura M. Bradley, 38 Round Hill Road, is hereby reappointed to the Fair Rent Commission for a term expiring 7/1/16.

Legislative History

- 11/4/2013 Town Council Recommended for a Personnel/Appointments/Rules Resolution /Legislation Committee (2011)
- 2013-0266 Reappointment of June DeCarlo to Fair Rent Commission Referral**
- RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING JUNE DECARLO TO THE FAIR RENT COMMISSION
- RESOLVED, that June DeCarlo, 16 Eastwood Road, is hereby reappointed to the Fair Rent Commission, for a term expiring 7/1/15.

Legislative History

- 11/4/2013 Town Council Recommended for a Personnel/Appointments/Rules Resolution /Legislation Committee (2011)
- 2013-0267 Reappointment of Catherine Talbot to Harbor Management Commission Referral**
- RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING CATHERINE TALBOT TO THE HARBOR MANAGEMENT COMMISSION
- RESOLVED, that Catherine Talbot, 10 Florence Drive, is hereby appointed to the Harbor Management Commission for a term ending 9/1/16.

Legislative History

- 11/4/2013 Town Council Recommended for a Personnel/Appointments/Rules Resolution /Legislation Committee (2011)
- 2013-0268 Reappointment of William Gaynor to Harbor Management Commission Referral**
- RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING WILLIAM GAYNOR AS AN ALTERNATE MEMBER TO THE HARBOR MANAGEMENT COMMISSION
- RESOLVED, that William G. Gaynor, 377 Tyler Avenue, is reappointed as an alternate member to

the Harbor Management Commission, for a term ending 9/1/15.

Legislative History

11/4/2013      Town Council                      Recommended for a  
Personnel/Appointments/Rules Resolution  
/Legislation Committee (2011)

2013-0269      **Reappointment of Robert Austin-LeFrance fro Permanet**                      Referral

REAPPOINTMENT OF ROBERT J. AUSTIN-LAFRANCE TO THE PERMANENT SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE

RESOLVED, that Robert J. Austin-LaFrance, 207 Plant Street, is hereby reappointed to the Permanent School Building Committee for a term expiring 9/29/16.

Legislative History

11/4/2013      Town Council                      Recommended for a  
Personnel/Appointments/Rules Resolution  
/Legislation Committee (2011)

2013-0270      **Reappointment of Laura Baller to Water Pollution**                      Referral  
**Conrol Facility**

RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING LAURA BALLER TO THE WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY

RESOLVED, that Laura Baller, 30 Brook Street, is hereby appointed to the Water Pollution Control Authority for a term ending 5/24/16.

Legislative History

11/4/2013      Town Council                      Recommended for a  
Personnel/Appointments/Rules Resolution  
/Legislation Committee (2011)

2013-0271      **Appointment of William Middleton to Zoning**                      Referral  
**Commission**

RESOLUTION APPOINTING WILLIAM MIDDLETON AS AN ALTERNATE MEMBER TO THE ZONING COMMISSION

RESOLVED, that William Middleton, 3 Fort Rachel Place, Mystic, is hereby appointed as an alternate member to the Zoning Commission for a term ending 9/30/17.

Legislative History

11/4/2013      Town Council                      Recommended for a  
Personnel/Appointments/Rules Resolution  
/Legislation Committee (2011)

**XI. OTHER BUSINESS**

**XII. ADJOURNMENT**