



# Town of Groton, Connecticut

## Meeting Minutes

### Town Council Committee of the Whole

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*Mayor James L. Streeter, Councilors Bruce S. Flax, Bill Johnson, Catherine Kolnaski, Deborah B. Monteiro, Frank O'Beirne, Jr., Deborah L. Peruzzotti, Paulann H. Sheets, and Harry A. Watson*

Tuesday, June 7, 2011

6:00 PM

Town Hall Annex - Community Room 1

#### SPECIAL MEETING

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

*Mayor Streeter called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.*

#### 2. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Mayor Streeter, Councilor Flax, Councilor Johnson, Councilor Kolnaski, Councilor Monteiro, Councilor O'Beirne, Jr., Councilor Peruzzotti and Councilor Watson  
Members Absent: Councilor Sheets

*Also present were Town Manager Mark Oefinger and Executive Assistant Nicki Bresnayan.*

#### 3. NEW BUSINESS

##### 2011-0009 Labor Negotiations (2011 Standing Referral)

A motion was made by Mayor Streeter, seconded by Councilor Peruzzotti, that the members of the Town Council, together with Town Manager Mark Oefinger, Director of Administrative Services Doug Ackerman, Manager of Labor Relations Joyce Sauchuk and Town Attorney Eileen Duggan go into executive session at 6:04 p.m. for the purpose of discussing strategy and/or negotiations with respect to current and pending collective bargaining with multiple bargaining units. This action is taken without prejudice to the Council's right to discuss these matters in a private meeting pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §1 200(2).

The motion carried unanimously

Discussed

*The executive session concluded at 6:45 p.m.*

##### 2011-0121 Establishment of Tax Rate for General Fund (FYE 12)

Discussed

*Director of Finance Sal Pandolfo reviewed information from his referral memo included budgeted amounts, adjustments by the Town Council and RTM, adjustments to the Capital Reserve, and projected revenue adjustments that result in an increase in the General Fund mill rate of 0.47 mills, from 18.42 mills to 18.89 mills.*

*The Town Manager noted that the State budget can not be finalized until union concessions are obtained. A vote should occur by June 24th, but the Town cannot wait until then to adopt its budget.*

A motion was made by Councilor Monteiro, seconded by Councilor Kolnaski, that this matter be Recommended for a Resolution.

The motion carried unanimously

##### 2011-0122 Establishment of Tax Rate for Mumford Cove District Fund (FYE 12)

A motion was made by Councilor Flax, seconded by Councilor Kolnaski, that this matter be Recommended for a Resolution.

The motion carried unanimously

##### 2011-0123 Establishment of Tax Rate for Groton Sewer District Fund (FYE 12)

**Recommended for a Resolution.**

**The motion carried unanimously**

**2011-0124**

**FYE 2011 Suspense List**

**Discussed**

*Director of Finance Sal Pandolfo noted this is an annual request to add delinquent accounts to the suspense list. For FYE 2011, the list totals \$508,170.04. The Tax Collector will no longer have to send bills, but taxpayers are still liable for the taxes.*

**A motion was made by Councilor Watson, seconded by Councilor Monteiro, that this matter be Recommended for a Resolution.**

**The motion carried unanimously**

**4. ADJOURNMENT**

*A motion was made by Councilor Kolnaski, seconded by Councilor Watson, to adjourn the meeting at 6:59 p.m.*

*The motion carried unanimously.*