



Town of Groton, Connecticut

Meeting Minutes

Town Council Committee of the Whole

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Mayor Rita M. Schmidt, Councilors Genevieve Cerf, Joe de la Cruz, Bruce S. Flax, Bob Frink, Rich Moravsik, Deborah L. Peruzzotti, Heather Bond Somers and Harry A. Watson

Monday, May 12, 2014

7:00 PM

City Municipal Bldg., 295 Meridian Street

SPECIAL MEETING

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. **ROLL CALL**

Members Present: Mayor Schmidt, Councilor Cerf, Councilor de la Cruz, Councilor Flax, Councilor Frink, Councilor Moravsik and Councilor Peruzzotti
Members Absent: Councilor Somers and Councilor Watson

Also present was Town Manager Mark Oefinger.

City Council: Mayor Marian Galbraith, William Jervis, Andrew Ivento, Stephen Sheffield, Keith Hedrick, and Lawrence Gerrish

3. **NEW BUSINESS**

2014-0008 Joint Meeting with City of Groton (2014 Standing Referral)

See May 12, 2014 minutes prepared by City Clerk, Debra Patrick.

2014-0156 Town-Wide Police Study

See May 12, 2014 minutes prepared by City Clerk, Debra Patrick.

4. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

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SPECIAL
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
MINUTES
MONDAY, MAY 12, 2014**

**CITY MUNICIPAL BUILDING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
7:00 PM**

Mayor Galbraith called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

I. ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Marian Galbraith, Deputy Mayor William Jervis, Councilors Andrew Ilvento, Stephen Sheffield, Keith Hedrick, Lawrence Gerrish and City Clerk Debra Patrick.

Town Mayor Rita Schmidt, Councilors Bruce Flax, Genevieve Cerf, Joe dela Cruz, Bob Frink, Rich Moravsik and Deborah Peruzzotti.

Excused: Councilor Jay Dempsey

Town Councilors Harry Watson and Heather Bond Somers.

II. ITEMS

1. TOWNWIDE POLICE ASSESSMENT

Mayor Galbraith asked that each of them take a few minutes to identify the items they would like to discuss.

The items identified were dispatch, records management/integration, marine patrols/dive team and the detective divisions.

There was lengthy discussion on dispatch and the City's desire to keep the dispatch desk manned. There was discussion on the emergency versus routine calls and proactive policing.

There was discussion on how the Town and the City could work together on marine patrol and the dive teams.

There was discussion on integrating the records management systems between the Town and City.

There was some discussion on how the detective divisions have worked together in the past and can continue to do so.

There was discussion on keeping communication open, and the need to prioritize specific areas of the study, a cost analysis, an implementation plan and what the objectives would be.

There was agreement that identifying efficiencies is important and that public safety is a priority.

Mayor Galbraith asked if everyone was in agreement that the Police Chiefs should discuss marine patrols to determine how they might work together to be a more visible presence.

There were no objections.

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Councilor Cerf volunteered to facilitate further discussion and research into the RMS/CAD Integration technology.

III. POSSIBLE EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

IV. COMMENTS FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Ilvento moved Councilor Moravsik seconded a motion to adjourn. Motion carried.

Mayor Galbraith adjourned the meeting at 9:02 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

**Debra Patrick
City Clerk**