



# Town of Groton - Public Works

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## Meeting Minutes

### Permanent School Building Committee

**Chairman Rick DeMatto, Vice-Chairman W. Gordon Lange, Robert J. Austin-LaFrance, Richard Monteiro, Robert Morrison, David Russell, and John Webster.**

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Monday, March 26, 2007

6:00 PM

Groton Senior Center, Route 117

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**Special Meeting - Joint Meeting with Town Council Committee of the Whole and Board of Education**

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#### 1. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Chairman Rick DeMatto, Robert J. Austin-LaFrance, Richard Monteiro and David Russell  
Members Absent: Gordon Lange, Robert Morrison and John Webster

*Town Council: Mayor Harry Watson, Councilor Scott, Councilor Schmidt, Councilor Kolnaski, Councilor Streeter, Councilor Bond, and Councilor Bartinik, Jr.*

*Town of Groton staff: Mark Oefinger, Town Manager, Lee Vincent, Assistant to the Town Manager, Gary J. Schneider, Director of Public Works, Rick Norris, Project Manager - School Construction and Colleen Quattromani, Recorder.*

*Groton Public Schools staff: Dr. James Mitchell, Superintendent of Schools, Wes Greenleaf, Director of School Buildings and Grounds and Sally Keating, Assistant Superintendent of Administrative Services.*

*Groton Board of Education: Beverly Washington, Chairperson, Chaz Zzulka Vice Chairperson, Beth Gianacoplos, Robert Peruzzotti, Marcia Ball Greenhalgh, Brian Shirvell, Archie Swindell, and Patricia Doyle.*

#### 2. SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE

*A report was given to the Permanent School Building Committee, the Town Council Committee of the Whole, and the Board of Education, that the two new elementary schools will not be completed for the scheduled September 2007 opening. The Town Building Inspector has found that the windows for the project, while meeting the code for wind loading do not meet the code for wind blown debris impact.*

*Town staff, the Construction Manager, the Architects, the window contractor and the window manufacturer are all working to address the issue and provide options. Initial evaluation of available information indicates an impact of 4 to 12 weeks. Additional information will be evaluated by staff and provided as it becomes available. A need was discussed for another joint meeting. The Town Manager was asked to notify the press of the issue.*

#### 3. ADJOURNMENT

*The meeting adjourned at 6:55 PM by consensus.*