

MINUTES
POCD STEERING COMMITTEE
OCTOBER 18, 2012 – 6:00 P.M.
SPECIAL MEETING
MEETING #2
TOWN HALL ANNEX – COMMUNITY ROOM 2

GROTON PLAN OF CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT (POCD) AND
MUNICIPAL COASTAL PROGRAM UPDATES

I. ROLL CALL

Regular members present: Cerf (6:10), Marquardt, Pritchard, Sherrard (6:30), Scott, Smith, Williams
Absent: Johnson, Munn, Rafferty, Sutherland
Staff present: Murphy, Davis, Glemboski, Doolittle

Acting Chairman Pritchard called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES of August 16, 2012

MOTION: To approve the minutes of August 16, 2012 as amended.

Motion made by Scott, seconded by Smith. Motion passed unanimously.

III. ITEM OF BUSINESS

1. Review Demographic Report

Mike Zuba, Milone & Macbroom, reviewed the total population of the Town. He handed out a copy of his slide show dated October 18, 2012. He discussed the change in population including births and deaths from the 2000 to 2010 census. Population projections were discussed along with age, school population and race and ethnic composition. Household demographics were discussed in depth.

2. Discussion – Public Engagement Tools

Mr. Zuba discussed the website mock-up as well as polling and surveys and the option of using Facebook to display meeting notice updates. The website will be maintained by the consultant. He noted that they had recently set up a booth at the Groton Fall Festival to inform the public of the POCD and had received some positive feedback.

The Commission decided to add an agenda item to future agendas titled “Public Communications”, with a total limit of ten minutes.

Development patterns and trends, parks, recreation and open space elements were mentioned as the next steps in the POCD process.

In light of Barbara Strother’s retirement event, the Commission decided to cancel their November 15, 2012 meeting and to hold a special meeting on December 6th at 6pm.

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3. Review of 2002 Implementation Tables

Mr. Murphy reviewed the 2002 POCD Priority 1 Items for Implementation chart.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 7:12 p.m. made by Scott, seconded by Smith, so voted unanimously.

Jeff Pritchard, Secretary
Steering Committee

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