



Town of Groton, Connecticut

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Meeting Minutes - Draft

Town of Groton Resource Recovery Authority

Mayor Harry A. Watson, Councilors Heather Sherman Bond, Kathryn M. Brown-Tracy, Catherine Kolnaski, Deborah B. Monteiro, Frank O'Beirne, Jr., Rita B. Schmidt, Paulann H. Sheets and James L. Streeter

Tuesday, August 12, 2008

7:30 PM

Town Hall Annex - Community Room 1

SPECIAL MEETING

I. Roll Call

Members Present: Mayor Watson, Councilor Kolnaski, Councilor Monteiro, Councilor O'Beirne, Jr., Councilor Schmidt, Councilor Sheets and Councilor Streeter
Members Absent: Councilor Bond and Councilor Brown-Tracy

Also present were Town Manager Mark R. Oefinger, Assistant to the Town Manager Lee Vincent, and Executive Assistant Nicki Bresnyan.

II. Approval of Minutes

2008-0199 Approval of Minutes (Groton Resource Recovery Authority)

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING GROTON RESOURCE RECOVERY AUTHORITY MINUTES

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Groton Resource Recovery Authority of August 16, 2005 are hereby accepted and approved.

A motion was made by Councilor Sheets, seconded by Councilor Monteiro, to adopt.

The motion carried by the following vote

Votes: In Favor: 4 - Mayor Watson, Councilor Kolnaski, Councilor O'Beirne, Jr. and Councilor Sheets
Abstain: 3 - Councilor Monteiro, Councilor Schmidt and Councilor Streeter

III. Public Comment

None.

IV. Communications

None.

V. Old Business

None.

VI. New Business

2008-0197 Commercial Solid Waste Contract Extension

Deleted from Referral List - No further action

Director of Public Works Gary Schneider provided a background on the commercial solid waste contract which has been very successful with few complaints or delinquencies. Inspections show that the waste is indeed coming from Groton. The program has a positive fund balance. Experience shows that controlling commercial solid waste collection cuts down on truck traffic. Three years ago, the Town issued a request for proposal and chose a single contractor (Tinnerello). That contract included a provision for a two year extension with a calculated escalator. Town staff recommends extending the contract. Preston is one of the cheapest waste to energy plants in the state. By controlling the commercial waste, the Town keeps other towns' waste from migrating into Groton.

Councilor Streeter asked if there is a provision for re-bidding. Mr. Schneider noted that this

contract was bid three years ago with a two year extension so it is only a total of five years. The contract will have to be re-bid at the end of the two year extension.

A motion was made by Councilor Schmidt seconded by Councilor Streeter, to approve a two-year extension of the contract with Tinnerello for commercial solid waste collection

The motion carried unanimously

VII. Adjournment

A motion was made by Mayor Watson, seconded by Councilor Monteiro, to adjourn the meeting at 8:48 p.m.

The motion carried unanimously.