



# Town of Groton, Connecticut

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## Meeting Minutes Town Council

**Mayor Heather Bond Somers, Councilors Dean G. Antipas, Bruce S. Flax, Bill Johnson, Frank O'Beirne, Jr., Deborah L. Peruzzotti, Rita M. Schmidt, James L. Streeter, and Harry A. Watson**

Tuesday, January 17, 2012

7:30 PM

Town Hall Annex - Community Room 1

### REGULAR MEETING

#### I. ROLL CALL

*The meeting was called to order at 7:31 p.m. by Mayor Somers.*

Members Present: Mayor Somers, Councilor Antipas, Councilor Flax, Councilor Johnson, Councilor O'Beirne, Jr., Councilor Peruzzotti, Councilor Schmidt and Councilor Watson

Members Absent: Councilor Streeter

*Also present were Town Manager Mark Oefinger, Town Clerk Betsy Moukawsher and Office Assistant Lori Watrous.*

#### II. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

*The Salute to the Flag was led by John Meers of Boy Scout Troop 2, Mystic.*

#### III. RECOGNITION, AWARDS & MEMORIALS

##### 2011-0248 Proclamation Recognizing Linda Martin

Read

*The proclamation was read by Councilor Antipas.*

#### IV. RECEIPT OF CITIZENS' PETITIONS, COMMENTS AND CONCERNS

*Scott Aument, 127 Rogers Road, declared that the Town must be more vigilant about its spending practices. He requested a list of encumbrances and infractions in the CAFR report and the status of the following: recouping money spent for the baseball field, seeking FEMA funds for damages during Hurricane Irene, cost and responsibility data for the Borrego solar project, cost and funding sources for the Flanders Road sewer and water project, and status of the Council's Special Consolidation Committee and what it hopes to accomplish.*

*Andrew Parrella, 790 Eastern Point Road, stated that it is commendable that the Town Clerk agreed to no salary increase, but he believes that the Board of Education could have looked at the Administrator's contract more closely. He noted that the budget will be tight this year and suggested a referral be made for a study to analyze salary information (i.e., rates, increases over the past 15 years, and the pay rates for similar positions in other local communities). He noted that diversifying revenue sources is a good idea, but the Town would still need to be careful with its spending.*

#### V. RESPONSES TO CITIZENS' PETITIONS, COMMENTS AND CONCERNS

*In answer to a few of Mr. Aument's questions, Mayor Somers stated that the baseball field issue is in litigation; applications have been filed with FEMA for damages during Hurricane Irene; Councilor O'Beirne has requested a list of encumbrances; and the Council Special Consolidation Committee has not met yet.*

#### VI. CONSENT CALENDAR

##### a. Approval of Minutes

##### 2012-0025 Approval of Minutes (Town Council)

## RESOLUTION ACCEPTING TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Town Council meeting of January 3, 2012 are hereby accepted and approved.

**This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Calendar.**

**b. Administrative Items****2012-0010 Special Trust Fund Contributions**

## RESOLUTION ACCEPTING CONTRIBUTIONS TO SPECIAL TRUST FUNDS

RESOLVED, that the Town Council hereby accepts contributions to the Town as follows:

Robert and William Loweth TTEE Loweth-Alvord Foundation - \$1,000 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program

Various Donations - \$1,490.00 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program

Nga Do - \$50.00 - Library Donation Fund

**This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Calendar.**

**c. Deletions from the Town Council Referral List****2010-0204 Appointment of Ellen Chiapperini to the Library Board**

**This Matter was Deleted from Referral List - Action to be taken on the Consent Calendar.**

**2010-0232 Acquisition of Spicer Property, Thomas Road**

**This Matter was Deleted from Referral List - Action to be taken on the Consent Calendar.**

**2011-0001 Unaffiliated and Other Appointments (2011 Standing Referral)**

**This Matter was Deleted from Referral List - No further action on the Consent Calendar.**

**2011-0002 Republican Town Committee Appointments (2011 Standing Referral)**

**This Matter was Deleted from Referral List - No further action on the Consent Calendar.**

**2011-0003 Democratic Town Committee Appointments (2011 Standing Referral)**

**This Matter was Deleted from Referral List - No further action on the Consent Calendar.**

**2011-0004 Pending Litigation (2011 Standing Referral)**

**This Matter was Deleted from Referral List - No further action on the Consent Calendar.**

**2011-0005 Joint Meeting with City of Groton (2011 Standing Referral)**

**This Matter was Deleted from Referral List - No further action on the Consent Calendar.**

**2011-0006 Joint Meeting with Board of Education (2011 Standing Referral)**

**This Matter was Deleted from Referral List - No further action on the Consent Calendar.**

**2011-0007 Joint Meeting with Groton Long Point Board of Directors (2011 Standing Referral)**

**This Matter was Deleted from Referral List - No further action on the Consent Calendar.**

**2011-0008 Joint Meeting with Stonington Board of Selectmen (2011 Standing Referral)**

**This Matter was Deleted from Referral List - No further action on the Consent Calendar.**

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

**This Matter was Deleted from Referral List - No further action on the Consent Calendar.**

**2011-0010 Revised Position Descriptions (2011 Standing Referral)**

**This Matter was Deleted from Referral List - No further action on the Consent Calendar.**

**2011-0065 Meeting with State Legislators**

**This Matter was Deleted from Referral List - No further action on the Consent Calendar.**

**2011-0205 Acquisition of Fusconi Property, Crystal Lake Road**

- This Matter was Deleted from Referral List - Action to be taken on the Consent Calendar.
- 2011-0213 **Zoning Regulation Amendment Inquiry**
- This Matter was Deleted from Referral List - No further action on the Consent Calendar.
- 2011-0232 **Contract Agreement Between the Groton Board of Education and the Association of Groton School Administrators**
- This Matter was Deleted from Referral List - No further action on the Consent Calendar.
- 2011-0236 **Town Clerk Compensation**
- This Matter was Deleted from Referral List - Action to be taken on the Consent Calendar.
- 2011-0251 **Senior Center - Modification of Scope of Ordinance**
- This Matter was Deleted from Referral List - Action to be taken on the Consent Calendar.
- 2011-0252 **North American Wetland Conservation Act (NAWCA) Grant - Spicer Properties**
- This Matter was Deleted from Referral List - Action to be taken on the Consent Calendar.
- 2011-0256 **FYE 2011 CAFR**
- This Matter was Deleted from Referral List - Action to be taken on the Consent Calendar.
- 2012-0014 **Reappointment of Robert Deveau, Jr. to Fair Rent Commission**
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- 2012-0022 **Appointment of Paul Duarte to Board of Assessment Appeals**
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- 2012-0023 **Referral of Spicer Properties Acquisition to Planning Commission Under CGS 8-24**
- This Matter was Deleted from Referral List - Action to be taken on the Consent Calendar.
- 2012-0024 **Referral of Fusconi Property Acquisition to Planning Commission Under CGS 8-24**
- This Matter was Deleted from Referral List - Action to be taken on the Consent Calendar.

**Passed The Consent Calendar**

A motion was made by Councilor Watson, seconded by Councilor O'Beirne, Jr., to adopt the Consent Calendar, including all the preceding items marked as having been adopted on the Consent Calendar. The motion carried unanimously

**VII. COMMUNICATION REPORTS (Other than Committee Reports)**

**a. Town Councilors**

*Emails were received regarding the Historic District Commission and ways to reduce this year's*

*budget.*

*Councilor Watson attended a Zoning Commission meeting and noted that a Council of Governments (COG) meeting is scheduled for January 18, 2012.*

*Mayor Somers attended a legislative breakfast and a meeting with Board of Education Chairman Kirsten Hoyt.*

**b. Clerk of the Representative Town Meeting**

*The Town Clerk stated that the next RTM meeting will be on February 8, 2012, at the Senior Center. There will also be a special RTM meeting on January 30, 2012, at the Town Hall Annex to conduct an orientation for new RTM members and others who would like to attend.*

**c. Clerk of the Council**

*No report.*

**d. Town Manager**

*The Town Manager noted that for the last few years the Town Council has had a pre-budget public hearing, and he could either put this item on the next agenda or the Council could suspend the rules to vote on a date tonight. He highlighted items from the Weekly Status Report. Mr. Oefinger gave Councilors a list of encumbrances for the Town portion of the CAFR report. Most of these encumbrances will go away June 30, 2012 if the money has not actually been spent.*

**e. Town Attorney**

*No report.*

**VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**a. Community & Cultural Development - Chairman Schmidt**

*No meeting, no report.*

**b. Economic Development - Chairman Johnson**

*No meeting, no report.*

**c. Education/Health & Social Services - Chairman Watson**

*No meeting, no report.*

**d. Environment/Energy - Chairman Peruzzotti**

*Councilor Peruzzotti read the minutes of January 10, 2012, which are on file in the Town Clerk's Office.*

**e. Finance - Chairman O'Beirne**

*Councilor O'Beirne read the minutes of January 10, 2012, which are on file in the Town Clerk's Office.*

**f. Personnel/Appointments/Rules - Chairman Flax**

*Councilor Flax read the minutes of January 10, 2012, which are on file in the Town Clerk's Office.*

**g. Public Safety - Chairman Streeter**

*No meeting, no report.*

**h. Public Works/Recreation - Chairman Antipas**

*No meeting, no report.*

**i. Committee of the Whole - Mayor Somers**

*Mayor Somers stated that the Committee of the Whole met with the Historic District Commission, and noted that there are three openings for alternate positions on the commission. The resolutions on tonight's agenda are a result of the Committee of the Whole meeting.*

**IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

*Councilor Flax requested a meeting with Public Works Director Gary Schneider and a list of current landfill charges for budget discussion purposes.*

**X. NEW BUSINESS**

**2011-0252 North American Wetland Conservation Act (NAWCA) Grant - Spicer Properties**

RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE SUBMITTAL OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE UNDER THE NORTH AMERICAN WETLAND CONSERVATION ACT FOR PURCHASE OF THE SPICER PROPERTIES

WHEREAS, in October 2010 the Town was awarded \$650,000 from the State of Connecticut Open Space and Watershed Land Acquisition (OSWLA) Program to acquire the Spicer properties on Thomas Road, and

WHEREAS, the appraised value of the properties exceeds the OSWLA grant amount and the Town has been actively seeking grant opportunities that would supplement the OSWLA grant, and

WHEREAS, Planning and Development Services submitted an application in October 2011 to the Fish and Wildlife Service under the North American Wetland Conservation Act (NAWCA) for a grant in the amount of \$75,000 for purchase of the Spicer properties, and

WHEREAS, commitments have been received from the Connecticut Ornithological Society and Audubon Connecticut for an additional \$3,250 in donations if the NAWCA grant is successful, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Council endorses the submittal of the \$75,000 grant application to the Fish and Wildlife Service under the North American Wetland Conservation Act for purchase of the Spicer properties on Thomas Road, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Town Manager Mark R. Oefinger, or his designated agent, is hereby authorized to execute any documents necessary to accept the grant.

**A motion was made by Councilor Peruzzotti, seconded by Councilor Schmidt, that this matter be Adopted.**

**The motion carried unanimously**

**2010-0232 Acquisition of Spicer Property, Thomas Road**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO HAVE PREPARED AND TO EXECUTE A PURCHASE/SALES AGREEMENT FOR THE SPICER PROPERTIES, THOMAS ROAD

WHEREAS, three Spicer properties on Thomas Road were identified as desirable for conservation in the 2002 Plan of Conservation and Development, and

WHEREAS, the acquisition and use of the tracts for conservation and passive recreational purposes has been endorsed by the Town's Conservation Commission and the Town's Planning Commission, and

WHEREAS, the acquisition and use of the Spicer properties would also be consistent with both the State and Regional Plans of Conservation and Development, the 2008 City of Groton Plan of Conservation and Development, the State Department of Environmental Protection's (DEP) Green Plan, and other related State, regional and local plans and initiatives, including but not necessarily limited to the State DEP's Long Island Sound Stewardship Initiative, the State DEP's Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan, the Southeastern Connecticut region's 2005 Hazard Mitigation Plan, and the State DEP Coastal and Estuarine Land Conservation Program, and

WHEREAS, the Town has obtained grant funding and accrued funds for the purposes of land conservation through a fee in lieu of open space provision in its subdivision regulations, as well as through its capital improvement program, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Council authorizes Town Manager Mark R. Oefinger to have prepared and to execute a purchase/sales agreement for the three tracts known as the Spicer properties and identified as follows:

Tract #1

Location/PIN: 155 Thomas Road/169813033078

Ownership: Doris Pulaski (Trustee)

Tract #2

Location/PIN: 0 Thomas Road/168816937659

Ownership: William C. Spicer Jr. Estate

Tract #3

Location/PIN: 0 Thomas Road/168820918875

Ownership: William C. Spicer III

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the actual purchase of the property is subject to formal Town Council and RTM approval in accordance with the Groton Town Charter.

**A motion was made by Councilor Schmidt, seconded by Councilor Peruzzotti, that this matter be Adopted.**

**The motion carried unanimously**

**2012-0023**

**Referral of Spicer Properties Acquisition to Planning Commission Under CGS 8-24**

RESOLUTION REFERRING ACQUISITION OF THE SPICER PROPERTIES ON THOMAS ROAD TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION UNDER CGS SECTION 8-24

WHEREAS, the Town Council has authorized the Town Manager Mark R. Oefinger to have prepared and to execute a purchase/sales agreement for the Spicer properties on Thomas Road, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Council refers the acquisition of the Spicer property on Thomas Road to the Planning Commission under CGS Section 8-24.

**A motion was made by Councilor O'Beirne, Jr., seconded by Councilor Watson, that this matter be Adopted and Referred to the Planning Commission.**

**The motion carried unanimously**

**2011-0205**

**Acquisition of Fusconi Property, Crystal Lake Road**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO HAVE PREPARED AND TO EXECUTE A PURCHASE/SALES AGREEMENT FOR THE FUSCONI PROPERTY, CRYSTAL LAKE ROAD

WHEREAS, the Fusconi property located at 5 Crystal Lake Road was home to an active dry cleaning business for decades, but has been vacant since April 2003, and

WHEREAS, the property is located in the vicinity of the main entrance to the U.S. Naval Submarine Base and the USS Nautilus and Submarine Force Museum, and

WHEREAS, the Commander of the U.S. Naval Submarine Base has expressed concern with the condition of the Fusconi property and the encroachment risk that it poses to the Submarine Base,

and

WHEREAS, the Town has identified a need to replace the traffic light system serving the intersection of Crystal Lake Road and Military Highway, which would necessitate using a portion of the Fusconi property, and

WHEREAS, the State of Connecticut has indicated a willingness to provide the Town of Groton with funding to acquire the property and demolish the building, and

WHEREAS, the State of Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development has indicated that the Town is also eligible to access the dry cleaning fund, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Council authorizes Town Manager Mark R. Oefinger to have prepared and to execute a purchase/sales agreement for the Fusconi property at 5 Crystal Lake Road, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the actual purchase of the property is subject to formal Town Council and RTM approval in accordance with the Groton Town Charter.

**A motion was made by Councilor Watson, seconded by Councilor O'Beirne, Jr., that this matter be Adopted.**

**The motion carried unanimously**

**2012-0024 Referral of Fusconi Property Acquisition to Planning Commission Under CGS 8-24**

RESOLUTION REFERRING ACQUISITION OF THE FUSCONI PROPERTY ON CRYSTAL LAKE ROAD TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION UNDER CGS SECTION 8-24

WHEREAS, the Town Council has authorized the Town Manager Mark R. Oefinger to have prepared and to execute a purchase/sales agreement for the Fusconi property on Crystal Lake Road, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Council refers the acquisition of the Fusconi property on Crystal Lake Road to the Planning Commission under CGS Section 8-24.

**A motion was made by Councilor Antipas, seconded by Councilor Watson, that this matter be Adopted and Referred to the Planning Commission.**

**The motion carried unanimously**

**2011-0236 Town Clerk Compensation**

RESOLUTION REGARDING THE TOWN CLERK'S COMPENSATION

WHEREAS, on January 10, 2012 the Groton Town Council Committee of the Whole met in open session with Betsy Moukawsher, Groton Town Clerk, for the purpose of discussing the Town Clerk's compensation, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Council has decided to not provide any additional monetary compensation to the Town Clerk this year.

**A motion was made by Councilor Antipas, seconded by Mayor Somers, that this matter be Adopted.**

*Councilor O'Beirne noted that the Council is very happy with the performance of the Town Clerk. The decision for no increase in compensation was a decision based solely on economics.*

**The motion carried unanimously**

**2011-0251 Senior Center - Modification of Scope of Ordinance**

RESOLUTION MODIFYING THE SCOPE OF THE SENIOR CENTER PROJECT

RESOLVED, that pursuant to the ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$11,770,000 FOR

ADDITIONS AND RENOVATIONS TO THE GROTON SENIOR CENTER AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUE OF BONDS AND NOTES IN THE SAME AMOUNT TO FINANCE SAID APPROPRIATION, approved by the Town of Groton at referendum held November 6, 2007, the scope of the Senior Center project is modified to include: (1) the provision of emergency power to the entire building; (2) installation of power assisted doors at two locations; and (3) installation of humidity control devices. The entire remaining balance of the appropriation may be spent for design, acquisition and construction costs, equipment, furnishings, fixtures, materials, consultant's fees, architects' fees, engineering fees, legal fees, net interest on borrowings and other financing costs, and other expenses related to the project or its financing.

**A motion was made by Councilor Flax, seconded by Councilor Watson, that this matter be Adopted.**

*Councilor Peruzzotti is not in favor of all the items on this resolution. She posed the question of whether providing emergency power throughout the entire building is a need or a want. She stated that the humidity control device is a health issue, and wonders why the building was not initially designed with power assisted doors.*

*In answer to Councilor Flax, the Town Manager noted that if this resolution were approved: design work would be done, alternatives would be brought before the Council, the work would be completed, bond anticipation notes would be issued, and the money would be bonded with a larger project such as Thames Street, not as a stand-alone. The Town has the authorization to borrow the money, but it has not been borrowed at this point. The estimate for this project is approximately \$200,000.*

*Councilor Flax remarked that it frustrates him that the Town has a new Senior Center and these items were not included. He stated that Groton Utilities provides power to the building and it has a very good track record. He will not support this resolution.*

*In answer to Councilor Johnson, the Town Manager stated that the logical way to pay for the project is through bonding. If it were only \$10,000-\$20,000, it could come out of the budget at the end of the year, but the Town cannot simply find \$200,000. The Town Manager stated for the record that it was not an oversight that the entire building did not have emergency power. Emergency power was provided to those portions of the building that were thought to be critical.*

*Councilor Antipas does not have a problem with adding power doors and humidity control devices, but does have a problem supporting the generator backup for the entire building.*

*Mayor Somers noted that the Senior Center was just built. The doors must be fixed, and if the humidity control is not fixed there will be a future mold control problem. Mayor Somers stated that the Town needs to maintain its buildings so that they will last. She will support the resolution.*

*The Town Manager remarked that the newer portion of the High School is connected to a generator. During a storm citizens would not go to the Senior Center due to all the glass, they would go to the High School. The Senior Center would be used for displaced persons after the event. During Hurricane Irene there were quite a few people at the High School. After the event citizens were able to shower, get a meal, and power up their phones and gadgets at the Senior Center.*

*Councilor Johnson stated that he disagrees with the funding method.*

*The Town Manager noted that a CIP would have a greater impact from a budgetary standpoint, and he feels that bonding is the most cost-effective way to pay for the project.*

**The motion failed by the following vote:**

**Votes:** In Favor: 4 - Mayor Somers, Councilor O'Beirne, Jr., Councilor Schmidt and Councilor Watson  
Opposed: 4 - Councilor Antipas, Councilor Flax, Councilor Johnson and Councilor Peruzzotti

**2012-0033 Senior Center Modifications**

## SENIOR CENTER MODIFICATIONS

*Councilor Watson requested a referral to further discuss installation of power assisted doors and humidity control devices at the Senior Center.*

**2011-0256 FYE 2011 CAFR**

## RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE FYE 2011 AUDIT REPORT

WHEREAS, the Town Council has considered the annual audit of the Town of Groton's finances, covering the fiscal year from July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011, and

WHEREAS, the Council has discussed the audit findings with the manager of the audit team from the firm of Blum Shapiro, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town of Groton accepts and files the FYE 2011 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR), the Auditor's Reports and Management Letter.

**A motion was made by Councilor Johnson, seconded by Councilor Flax, that this matter be Adopted.**

**The motion carried unanimously**

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*A motion to approve Resolutions 2010-0204 Appointment of Ellen Chiapperini to the Library Board, 2012-0014 Reappointment of Robert Deveau, Jr. to Fair Rent Commission, 2012-0015 Reappointment of Edward Brennan to Water Pollution Control Authority, 2012-0016 Reappointment of Michael Meyer to Housing Authority, 2012-0017 Reappointment of Paul Bates and Francis Crowley to Harbor Management Commission, 2012-0018 Reappointment of Enrico DeMatto and Richard Monteiro to Permanent School Building Committee, 2012-0019 Reappointment of Marie Shaw, Susan Kietzman, and Penelope Fox to Library Board, 2012-0021 Appointment of Laura Baller to Water Pollution Control Authority, and 2012-0022 Appointment of Paul Duarte to Board of Assessment Appeals was made by Councilor Flax, seconded by Councilor Schmidt and so voted unanimously.*

**2010-0204 Appointment of Ellen Chiapperini to the Library Board**

## RESOLUTION APPOINTING ELLEN CHIAPPERINI TO THE LIBRARY BOARD

RESOLVED, that Ellen Chiapperini, 150 Library Street, Mystic, is hereby appointed to the Library Board for a term ending 12/31/12.

**A motion was made by Councilor Flax, seconded by Councilor Schmidt, that this matter be Adopted.**

**The motion carried unanimously**

**2012-0014 Reappointment of Robert Deveau, Jr. to Fair Rent Commission**

## RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING ROBERT DEVEAU, JR. TO THE FAIR RENT COMMISSION

RESOLVED, that Robert A. Deveau, Jr., 33 Library Street, Mystic, is hereby reappointed to the Fair Rent Commission for a term expiring 7/1/14.

**A motion was made by Councilor Flax, seconded by Councilor Schmidt, that this matter be Adopted.**

**The motion carried unanimously**

**2012-0015 Reappointment of Edward Brennan to Water Pollution Control Authority**

## RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING EDWARD BRENNAN TO THE WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY

RESOLVED, that Edward L. Brennan, 247 Neptune Drive, is hereby reappointed to the Water Pollution Control Authority for a term expiring 5/24/14.

A motion was made by Councilor Flax, seconded by Councilor Schmidt, that this matter be Adopted.

The motion carried unanimously

**2012-0016 Reappointment of Michael Meyer to Housing Authority**

RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING MICHAEL MEYER TO THE HOUSING AUTHORITY

RESOLVED, that Michael B. Meyer, 18 New London Road, Mystic, is hereby reappointed to the Housing Authority, for a term expiring 7/31/16.

A motion was made by Councilor Flax, seconded by Councilor Schmidt, that this matter be Adopted.

The motion carried unanimously

**2012-0017 Reappointment of Paul Bates and Francis Crowley to Harbor Management Commission**

RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING PAUL BATES AND FRANCIS CROWLEY TO THE HARBOR MANAGEMENT COMMISSION

RESOLVED, that Paul Bates, 47 Church Street, Noank is hereby reappointed to the Harbor Management Commission for a term ending 9/1/14, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Francis L. Crowley, 8 Palmer Court, Noank is hereby reappointed to the Harbor Management Commission for a term ending 9/1/14.

A motion was made by Councilor Flax, seconded by Councilor Schmidt, that this matter be Adopted.

The motion carried unanimously

**2012-0018 Reappointment of Enrico DeMatto and Richard Monteiro to Permanent School Building Committee**

RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING ENRICO DEMATTO AND RICHARD MONTEIRO TO THE PERMANENT SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE

RESOLVED, that Enrico DeMatto, 401 Sandy Hollow Road, Mystic, is hereby reappointed to the Permanent School Building Committee for a term ending 9/29/14, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Richard Monteiro, 70 Spyglass Circle, is hereby reappointed to the Permanent School Building Committee for a term ending 9/29/14.

A motion was made by Councilor Flax, seconded by Councilor Schmidt, that this matter be Adopted.

The motion carried unanimously

**2012-0019 Reappointment of Marie Shaw, Susan Kietzman, and Penelope Fox to Library Board**

RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING MARIE SHAW, SUSAN KIETZMAN, AND PENELOPE FOX TO THE LIBRARY BOARD

RESOLVED, that Marie C. Shaw, 20 Colony Road, is hereby reappointed to the Library Board for a term expiring 12/31/13, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Susan B. Kietzman, 25 West Mystic Avenue, Mystic, is hereby reappointed to the Library Board for a term expiring 12/31/14, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Penelope Fox, 221 Elm Street, is hereby reappointed to the Library Board for a term expiring 12/31/14.

A motion was made by Councilor Flax, seconded by Councilor Schmidt, that this matter be Adopted.

The motion carried unanimously

**2012-0021 Appointment of Laura Baller to Water Pollution Control Authority**

RESOLUTION APPOINTING LAURA BALLER TO THE WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY

Control Authority for a term ending 5/24/13.

**A motion was made by Councilor Flax, seconded by Councilor Schmidt, that this matter be Adopted.**

**The motion carried unanimously**

**2012-0022 Appointment of Paul Duarte to Board of Assessment Appeals**

RESOLUTION APPOINTING PAUL DUARTE TO THE BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS

RESOLVED, that Paul Duarte, 54 Cottage Street, is hereby appointed as a member of the Board of Assessment Appeals for a term ending 12/31/13 pursuant to Town Ordinance No. 253.

**A motion was made by Councilor Flax, seconded by Councilor Schmidt, that this matter be Adopted.**

**The motion carried unanimously**

**XI. OTHER BUSINESS**

**Suspension of the Rules**

*A motion to suspend the rules to consider setting the date for a Pre-Budget Public Hearing was made by Councilor Watson, seconded by Councilor Johnson and so voted unanimously.*

**2012-0031 Pre-Budget Public Hearing**

RESOLUTION SETTING FYE 2013 PRE-BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING

WHEREAS, the Town Council desires to provide a formal opportunity for Citizen input on the FYE 2013 Budget prior to the Town Manager submitting the proposed budget, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Council will hold a pre-budget public hearing on the FYE 2013 Town Budget on Tuesday, February 7, 2012 at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Hall Annex, Community Room 1.

**A motion was made by Mayor Somers, seconded by Councilor Watson, that this matter be Adopted.**

**The motion carried unanimously**

**XII. ADJOURNMENT**

*A motion to adjourn at 8:42 p.m. was made by Councilor Schmidt, seconded by Councilor Watson and so voted unanimously.*

*Attest:*

*Betsy Moukawsher, Town Clerk  
Clerk of the Council*

*Lori Watrous, Office Assistant*