



# Town of Groton, Connecticut

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## Meeting Minutes

### Town Council

**Mayor Bruce Flax, Councilors Dean G. Antipas, Diane Barber, Joe de la Cruz, Greg Grim, Karen F. Morton, Bonnie Nault, Deb Peruzzotti, and Harry A. Watson**

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Wednesday, April 27, 2016

7:30 PM

Groton Senior Center

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#### SPECIAL MEETING

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#### I. ROLL CALL

*Mayor Flax called the meeting to order at 7:38 p.m.*

Members Present: Mayor Flax, Councilor Antipas, Councilor Barber, Councilor Grim, Councilor Morton, Councilor Nault, Councilor Peruzzotti and Councilor Watson

Members Absent: Councilor de la Cruz

*Also present were Town Manager Mark Oefinger and Executive Assistant Nicki Bresnyan.*

#### II. NEW BUSINESS

##### 2016-0099 Approving FYE 2017 Budgets

RESOLUTION APPROVING BUDGETS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING JULY 1, 2016 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2017

RESOLVED, that the budgets for the various funds, hereinafter set forth, are hereby approved and adopted and the amounts on the "Total Appropriation" line are hereby appropriated for the functions specified, and the amounts listed under the heading "Financing Plan" are hereby established as approved budget estimates for the type of revenues specified and include all estimated FYE 2017 cash revenues except FYE 2017 current property taxes which will be estimated for budget purposes by separate resolution when the FYE 2017 tax rate is set, and further that a complete detailed document indicating all function appropriations is hereby made a part of this record and shall be submitted to the Town Clerk for Public Record, for budgets as follows:

General Fund  
Golf Course Fund  
Sewer Operating Fund  
Solid Waste Fund  
Mumford Cove Special Taxing District  
Revaluation Fund  
Recreation & Senior Activities Fund  
Connecticard Fund  
Sewer District Fund  
Capital Reserve Fund  
Fleet Reserve Fund  
Technology Replacement Fund  
Human Services Assistance Fund

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

**The motion carried unanimously**

##### 2016-0100 Computation of Tax Rate for General Fund (FYE 2017)

RESOLUTION COMPUTING A TENTATIVE TAX RATE FOR FYE 2017 TO PAY EXPENSES (APPROPRIATIONS) APPROVED IN THE GENERAL FUND BUDGET AS ADOPTED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the Town Council adopted on April 25, 2016 a General Fund Budget providing for expenditures, appropriations or expenses totaling \$123,000,733 and estimated cash revenues exclusive of FYE 2017 current property taxes totaling \$40,868,496, not therefore be it

RESOLVED, that a tax rate of 21.81 mills is hereby determined as required by Chapter IX of the Groton Town Charter and based on the following computations.

Total General Fund Appropriations per budget approved by Council: \$123,000,733

Less General Fund cash receipts exclusive of FYE 2017 current property taxes: \$40,868,496

Less the amount to be appropriated from the unassigned fund balance: \$0.00

Less the amount to be appropriated from the committed fund balance: \$875,534

Amount to be raised from property taxes: \$81,256,703

Amount computed as follows:

\$81,256,703 divided by the new assessed valuation (after Board of Assessment adjustments) of \$3,789,539,060 divided by 98.3% collection rate multiplied by 1,000 = 21.81 mill rate.

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

**The motion carried unanimously**

#### 2016-0101

#### **Computation of Tax Rate for Mumford Cove (FYE 2017)**

RESOLUTION COMPUTING A TENTATIVE TAX RATE FOR FYE 2017 TO PAY EXPENSES (APPROPRIATIONS) APPROVED IN THE MUMFORD COVE SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT FUND BUDGET AS ADOPTED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the Town Council adopted on April 25, 2016 a Mumford Cove District Fund Budget providing for expenditures, appropriations or expenses totaling \$21,028 and estimate cash revenue exclusive of FYE 2016 current property taxes totaling \$0, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that a tax rate of 0.310 mills is hereby determined as required by Chapter IX of the Groton Town Charter and based on the following computations:

Total Mumford Cove District Fund appropriations per budget approved by Council: \$21,028

Less estimated amount to be appropriated from unassigned fund balance: \$0.00

Less Cash Receipts exclusive of current property taxes: \$0

Amount to be raised from property taxes: \$21,028

Amount computed as follows:

\$21,028 divided by net assessed valuation of \$68,076,524 (after Board of Assessment adjustments) divided by 99.8% collection rate multiplied by 1,000 = 0.310 mills.

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

**The motion carried unanimously**

*Councilor de la Cruz arrived at 7:45 p.m.*

Members Present: Mayor Flax, Councilor Antipas, Councilor Barber, Councilor de la Cruz, Councilor Grim, Councilor Morton, Councilor Nault, Councilor Peruzzotti and Councilor Watson

**2016-0102 Computation of Tax Rate for Groton Sewer District (FYE 2017)**

RESOLUTION COMPUTING A TENTATIVE TAX RATE FOR FYE 2017 TO PAY EXPENSES (APPROPRIATIONS) APPROVED IN THE GROTON SEWER DISTRICT FUND BUDGET AS ADOPTED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the Town Council adopted on April 25, 2016 a Groton Sewer District Fund Budget providing for expenditures, appropriations or expenses totaling \$828,774 and estimated cash revenue exclusive of FYE 2017 current property taxes totaling \$15,180, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that a tax rate of 0.25 mills is hereby determined as required by Chapter IX of the Groton Town Charter and based on the following computations:

Total Groton Sewer District Fund appropriations per budget approved by Council: \$828,774

Less estimated amount to be appropriated from unassigned fund balance: \$200,000

Less Cash Receipts exclusive of current property taxes: \$15,180

Amount to be raised from property taxes: \$613,594

Amount computed as follows:

\$613,594 divided by net assessed valuation of \$2,470,845,364 ( after Board of Assessment adjustments and excludes motor vehicles) divided by the 98.7% collection rate multiplied by 1,000 = 0.25 mills.

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

**The motion carried unanimously**

**III. ADJOURNMENT**

*A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Councilor Peruzzotti and seconded by Councilor Watson. Mayor Flax adjourned the meeting at 7:46 p.m.*

*Attest:*

*Betsy Moukawsher  
Clerk of the Town Council*

*Nicki Bresnyan  
Executive Assistant*