



# Town of Groton, Connecticut

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## Meeting Minutes

### Town Council

**Mayor Bruce S. Flax, Councilor Dean G. Antipas, Councilor Diane Barber, Councilor Greg Grim, Councilor Rich Moravsik, Councilor Karen F. Morton, Councilor Bonnie Nault, Councilor Deb Peruzzotti, and Councilors Harry A. Watson**

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Tuesday, December 6, 2016

7:30 PM

Town Hall Annex - Community Room 1

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#### REGULAR MEETING

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*Mayor Flax called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.*

#### I. ROLL CALL

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

Members Absent: Councilor Barber and Councilor Nault

*Also present were Town Manager Mark Oefinger, Deputy Town Clerk Antoinette Pancaro, and Office Assistant II Nathan Caron.*

#### II. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

*The Salute to the Flag was led by Rich Moravsik.*

*Councilor Watson made a motion to suspend the rules in order to consider the Democratic nominee for the Town Council seat that was vacated. The motion was seconded by Councilor Peruzzotti.*

*Councilor Antipas stated that normally business would be put on a calendar. He noted that he does not have a problem with the selection, but he does have a problem with suspending the rules when this item could have been placed on the Town Council or the Committee of the Whole agenda. He noted that he was guarding the Council's privileges.*

*The motion to Suspend the Rules passed by a vote of 5-1(Antipas)-0.*

*A motion was made by Councilor Watson, seconded by Councilor Grim, to accept Rich Moravsik as a new Town Councilor.*

*The motion carried unanimously.*

*Deputy Town Clerk Antoinette Pancaro administered the Oath of Office to Councilor Moravsik.*

#### III. RECOGNITION, AWARDS & MEMORIALS

*None.*

*Mayor Flax recessed the meeting at 7:32 p.m. to hold a Public Hearing. Deputy Town Clerk Antoinette Pancaro read the call for the Public Hearing that appeared in the New London Day on November 28, 2016.*

**2016-0285**

**Public Hearing on an Ordinance Amending Ordinance #229 (Enterprise Zone Ordinance)**

PUBLIC HEARING ON AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ENTERPRISE ZONE ORDINANCE (#229)

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GROTON THAT:

1. Ordinance # 229, adopted July 18, 1995 and codified at § 14.5-3 of the Code of Ordinances,

shall be amended by adding the following thereto:

a. (e)(1). Per Connecticut General Statutes § 32-71(e), the Town of Groton, acting through its Town Council, in its complete discretion, may approve additional tax abatements or deferrals of real property taxes for properties within the enterprise zone created by subsection (a) of Ordinance #229, on such terms and subject to such conditions that the Town Council deems necessary to achieve the purposes of the enterprise zone as manifested in Ordinance # 229 and in General Statutes Chapter 585, including § 32-71(a) through (e).

b. (e)(2). An applicant for additional tax abatements or deferrals pursuant to this subsection (e) shall comply with all Town of Groton requirements for applications for tax abatements and deferrals under subsection (b) of this Ordinance and under the Town's Enterprise Zone Description of Tax Benefits for Residential Properties and/or Enterprise Zone Guidelines, and shall provide the Town Council such other information in such forms as the Town Council requests in support of its application.

c. (e)(3). No such additional abatement or deferral shall be effective unless it is set out in a written agreement between the Town and the taxpayer that is approved by the Town Council upon the recommendation of the Town Manager, the Assessor, and the Director of the Office of Planning and Development Services, and is approved as to form and legal sufficiency by the Town Attorney. Any such agreement, whether for an abatement and/or for a deferral, shall be expressly subject to all requirements of §§ (b)(2-8), inclusive, of Ordinance #229, and all requirements of General Statutes §§ 32-71(b) through (e), inclusive. Any such written agreement shall include provisions requiring the taxpayer to provide the Town with written reports at least annually containing information necessary for the Town to determine whether the taxpayer has continued to meet all eligibility requirements hereunder. No such agreement shall have a term longer than twenty (20) years from the date of the issuance of a certificate of occupancy for the improvements upon which it is based, inclusive of any period during which the assessments and/or deferrals provided by subsection (b) of this Ordinance are in effect.

d. Any agreement entered into between the Town and a taxpayer pursuant to § (e)(3) hereof shall be recorded on the Land Records of the Town of Groton.

e. This Ordinance Amendment shall be effective forty-five (45) days after its enactment by the Town Council, unless vetoed by the RTM.

*There were no public comments.*

*Mayor Flax closed the Public Hearing at 7:34 p.m.*

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

*None.*

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

*None.*

#### VI. CONSENT CALENDAR

##### a. Approval of Minutes

##### 2016-0284 Approval of Minutes (Town Council)

##### RESOLUTION ACCEPTING TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Town Council meeting of November 15, 2016 are hereby accepted and approved.

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

**b. Administrative Items****2016-0275 Special Trust Fund Contributions**

## RESOLUTION ACCEPTING CONTRIBUTIONS TO SPECIAL TRUST FUNDS

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

Groton Landing Condominium Association - \$200.00 - Library Miscellaneous  
 Joan DeAngelis - \$25.00 - Library Miscellaneous  
 Pfizer Foundation Matching Gifts Program - \$275.00 - Library Renovation  
 Mystic Photography Group - \$25.00 - Library Miscellaneous  
 Robert Ashwort - \$100.00 - Social Services Discretionary  
 Diane & Robert Barber - \$400.00 - Social Services Discretionary  
 Adele Barclay - \$50.00 - Social Services Discretionary  
 Cardinal Honda - \$125.00 - Social Services Discretionary  
 Groton Rotary/Liberty Bank/Groton Lions - \$5,322.85 - Social Services Discretionary  
 Mystic Rotary/Liberty Bank - \$1,547.47 - Social Services Discretionary  
 Ronna Pollard - \$50.00 - Social Services Discretionary  
 Anonymous - \$67.43 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program

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

**c. Deletions from the Town Council Referral List****2015-0217 Subase Centennial Anniversary**

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

**2016-0041 Sub Century Events**

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

**2016-0180 Groton Long Point Road Ownership Issue**

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

**2016-0279 Great Blue Survey Presentation**

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

**2016-0280 Economic Development Update**

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

**2009-0124 Ethics Ordinance**

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

**2016-0189 Tax Increment Financing**

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

**2016-0281 Adoption of 2017 Town Council Regular Meeting Schedule**

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

**2016-0282 Adoption of 2017 Committee of the Whole Regular Meeting Schedule**

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

**2016-0283 Adoption of 2017 Personnel and Appointments Committee Regular Meeting Schedule**

**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 Morton, seconded by Councilor Antipas, to adopt the Consent Calendar, including all the preceding items marked as having been adopted on the Consent Calendar.

The motion carried unanimously

**VII. COMMUNICATIONS & REPORTS (Other than Committee Reports)****a. Town Councilors**

*Councilor Morton stated that she attended the Law Enforcement night at the Elk's Club where officers from Groton as well as other departments in the area were recognized; it was well attended.*

*Councilor Peruzzotti stated that she attended the last half of the Groton Lights Parade.*

*Councilor Watson stated that he attended the Eastern Connecticut Chamber breakfast where non-profit organizations were recognized.*

*Councilor Moravsik announced that there would be a memorial service at 12:30 p.m. at the Flagship Memorial on December 07, 2016.*

*Mayor Flax stated that he attended a Council of Governments' meeting on November 16, 2016. He stated that he met with Town Manager Oefinger, Mayor Galbraith, and Groton Utilities. He noted that he attended a Groton Sail meeting. He stated that he attended the November 21, 2016 Charter Revision Commission meeting with Councilor Peruzzotti. He stated that he attended the Elk's Law Enforcement and Military Appreciation dinners. He stated that he met with Town Manager Oefinger and Scott Bates. He concluded his statements by noting that he walked in the Groton Holiday Lights parade with Councilor Nault and RTM member Jim Nault.*

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

*Deputy Town Clerk Pancaro announced that the RTM will meet on December 14, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. at the Groton Senior Center.*

**c. Clerk of the Council**

*Deputy Town Clerk Pancaro announced that Marc Denno and Craig Melin were appointed to the Economic Development Commission, and George Mathanool and David Preka were re-appointed to the Economic Development Commission.*

*She stated that the Town Clerk's office received the Board of Education Administrators' Contract that covers the period of July 01, 2017 to June 30, 2020.*

**d. Town Manager**

*Town Manager Oefinger stated that the Senior Center Club will have a dance on December 09, 2016 to benefit the new LED sign for the Groton Library and Senior Center. He stated that on Saturday, December 10, 2016 there will be a book signing at Par Four Restaurant. He announced that the Captain of Subase New London will have a holiday get-together at the Nautilus from 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m., and there will be a retirement party at the Groton Inn and Suites for Carol Pratt on Thursday, December 15, 2016.*

**VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**a. Personnel & Appointments - Chairman Watson**

*Chairman Watson announced that the Personnel and Appointments Committee met on December 06, 2016, and he will prepare minutes for that meeting.*

**b. Rules - Chairman Antipas**

*No meeting, no report.*

**c. Committee of the Whole - Mayor Flax**

*Mayor Flax announced that the Committee of the Whole met and discussed items on tonight's agenda.*

**IX. NEW BUSINESS**

**2009-0124 Ethics Ordinance**

RESOLUTION RESCINDING PAST RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PREPARATION OF A

LEGISLATIVE ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A CODE OF ETHICS AND AN ETHICS COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the Groton Town Council by resolution dated November 4, 2015 (#2015-0269) authorized Town staff and the Town Attorney to prepare a legislative ordinance establishing a Code of Ethics and an Ethics Commission to be introduced by the Town Council, and

WHEREAS, the Council has reviewed a draft Code of Ethics prepared by the Code of Ethics Task Force, along with comments from Town Attorney Michael Carey, and

WHEREAS, the Council finds that prohibited conduct and mechanisms for enforcement are addressed in various Town Charter provisions, the Town's Personnel Policy Manual, labor agreements, and Connecticut General Statutes, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Council rescinds resolution #2015-0269 dated November 4, 2015 authorizing Town staff and the Town Attorney to prepare a legislative ordinance establishing a Code of Ethics and an Ethics Commission to be introduced by the Town Council, and be it further

RESOLVED, that this referral is deleted.

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

*Councilor Antipas noted that his reticence going forward with this is that this issue has been around for a while and work has been done on it, but ultimately this is about what is best for the Town. He noted that this could always be started again.*

*Councilor Grim stated that he is in favor of an Ethics Ordinance.*

*Councilor Morton stated that she was prepared to vote against approving the Ethics Ordinance because it adds another layer of government, and it does not give the Town anything it does not currently cover in contracts, the Personnel policies, and the Town Charter. She noted that the opportunity to abuse the purpose of an Ethics ordinance outweighs any advantage that it gives the Town.*

*Councilor Moravsik stated that the Council could table this and defer it to another meeting. He agreed that this is another layer of government and could be misused in certain circumstances. He noted that the history regarding this item shows that nobody brought up issues that would explain why an Ethics Committee was needed.*

*Councilor Watson stated that he has never seen nine pages of background in the agenda. He stated that the oath Councilors took covers a lot of it. He stated that Councilor Antipas worked hard on this issue, and he feels bad about that.*

*Councilor Grim stated that because ethical issues have not been brought forward does not mean there have not been any. He noted that some of the language may need to be re-worked, but he does not understand why everyone is afraid of it.*

*Councilor Antipas stated that there this was a solution in search of a problem. He stated that the reasons that this was viewed as an impractical venture are that people would need to be found who could populate the Commission, and staff time would need to be devoted to making sure it operates properly. He noted that there are already mechanisms in place, and there would be a hard time taking it from an Ordinance into reality.*

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

**Votes:** In Favor: 5 - Mayor Flax, Councilor Morton, Councilor Peruzzotti, Councilor Watson and Councilor Moravsik  
Opposed: 2 - Councilor Antipas and Councilor Grim

**2016-0189 Tax Increment Financing**

RESOLUTION TO ENDORSE UTILIZATION OF FUNDS FOR TAX INCREMENT FINANCING STUDY AND ANALYSIS

WHEREAS, the Town of Groton has completed a Town-wide market analysis with a recommendation to research and implement Tax Increment Financing in Groton; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Planning and Development Services (OPDS) has received a scope of work from Camoin Associates for \$51,563 for Tax Increment Financing plan development, policy development, and financial analysis; and

WHEREAS, OPDS proposes to defer some proposed planning and economic development projects for fiscal year 2017 in order to use that funding for the research, planning, and analysis of Tax Increment Financing; and

WHEREAS, OPDS proposes to utilize the following sources of funding for this Tax Increment Financing project: \$15,000 from salary savings; \$20,000 from 10460 5290 by deferring the proposed Poquonnock Bridge design standards and planning project; \$11,000 from 10466 5290 that was proposed to complete additional LEAN analysis and process streamlining in OPDS; and \$5,563 from 10465 5290 from the economic development public relations line item; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Increment Financing project will be a new economic development tool to encourage development and redevelopment in planned targeted areas in Groton, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Council hereby endorses OPDS staff to utilize OPDS funding for said Tax Increment Financing project.

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

*In response to Councilor Watson, Town Manager Oefinger stated that this does not need to go to the RTM.*

*In response to Councilor Grim, Planning and Development Director Jon Reiner stated that this funding is to study, analyze, and implement. He noted that each time a new development would come in, there may be a need to have a firm do the financial analysis, and that would be something that would come before the Town Council. He noted that this would potentially cover a number of areas in the Town. He stated that Tax Increment Financing, TIF, could be used for up to ten percent of the total grand list of the Town, but he does not propose doing that. He reviewed the four main areas of Groton where this study and analysis would be focused. He noted that a lot of this money is for the education process, developing a plan, and working with the Town Council to develop policies.*

*Councilor Antipas stated that there was a presentation from the attorney who represents the developer and who helped craft the Tax Increment Financing legislation in Connecticut, and he would feel more comfortable if there was a similar presentation on what to be careful of with Tax Increment Financing. He noted that at this point he would likely not support the resolution.*

*In response to Councilor Grim, Director Reiner stated that giving developments TIF credits would require Council approval each time. He noted that the Planning Commission would have to approve a Master Plan for each site, and they would need to go through the normal planning and zoning process. He stated that Michael Andreana from Pullman Compley, LLC has presented at*

CCM meetings, and individuals from his firm also presented to the Council of Governments and have worked for municipalities and developers. He stated that other municipalities in Connecticut have gone through this process and the feedback has been positive.

In response to Mayor Flax, Councilor Antipas stated that he wants somebody to speak to the other side of Tax Increment Financing based on experiences other than in Connecticut. He noted that Tax Increment Financing was implemented in places other than Connecticut, and there have been jurisdictions that questioned the utility of Tax Increment Financing after it was implemented.

Councilor Peruzzotti stated that she does not understand how we could not benefit from the development of infrastructure in the area where there is the opportunity to build. She stated that because the policy decisions with the TIF will need to go through the Town Council, the door needs to be left open, steps should be discussed, and the plan should move forward. She noted that the TIF is needed to help build the infrastructure in the area.

Mayor Flax stated that the people who are looking out for the Town are Jon Reiner, Paige Bronk, and the Town Manager. He stated that there should be a helping hand to develop the land and build infrastructure. He noted that he supports moving it forward with the new hiring at Electric Boat so that people work and live in Groton.

Councilor Grim stated that he agreed that some of the developments should be built ahead of the expansion wave.

In response to Councilor Grim, Director Reiner stated that the Town staff is working with the City of Groton on a number of issues.

In response to Councilor Grim, Town Manager Oefinger stated that sharing cost with the City of Groton has not been broached at this time. He stated that this is a policy document first and foremost. He noted that we need to move these projects forward, and this is a benefit for the entire community.

In response to Councilor Moravsik, Director Reiner stated that a sewer line for Route 117 could potentially happen out of this Route 184/117 project.

Councilor Morton stated that this TIF program is where the rubber meets the road and proves how serious Groton is for economic development. She noted that businesses look for assistance when they look where to locate. She stated that we need to look at having everything out there to entice businesses, and this is an excellent way of doing it.

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

**Votes:** In Favor: 6 - Mayor Flax, Councilor Grim, Councilor Morton, Councilor Peruzzotti, Councilor Watson and Councilor Moravsik  
Opposed: 1 - Councilor Antipas

**2016-0276**

**Appointment of Town Auditor**

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING THE TOWN AUDITOR**

WHEREAS, Connecticut state law requires municipalities to appoint an independent auditor to account, verify and correct the Town's accounting records, and

WHEREAS, the Town's contract with the current auditing firm, Blum Shapiro of West Hartford, will expire upon completion of the FYE 2016 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, and

WHEREAS, staff is satisfied with the work that Blum Shapiro has performed for the Town for the last 12 years and feels their knowledge of the Town of Groton and its financial practices is desirable, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the firm of Blum Shapiro & Company, P.C. is hereby appointed as the Auditor to the Town of Groton for the three fiscal years, FYE 2017 through FYE 2019, with the Town to have the option of extending that selection and contract for an additional two fiscal years.

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

*Finance Director Cindy Landry reviewed the documents that she distributed. She noted that \$28,000 of the expense comes from the General Fund.*

*Town Manager Oefinger reviewed the breakdown that the Finance Director provided.*

*Councilor Grim stated that based upon the figures, it does not make sense to switch.*

*In response to Councilor Grim, Finance Director Landry stated that they are looking into implementing an anonymous fraud tip line, but it has not been implemented at this time.*

**The motion carried unanimously**

**2016-0281**

**Adoption of 2017 Town Council Regular Meeting Schedule**

RESOLUTION APPROVING 2017 TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Council hereby approves the Town Council regular meeting schedule for 2017 as follows:

Tuesday, January 3, 2017  
 Tuesday, February 7, 2017  
 Tuesday, March 7, 2017  
 Tuesday, April 4, 2017  
 Tuesday, May 2, 2017  
 Tuesday, June 6, 2017  
 Tuesday, July 18, 2017\*  
 Tuesday, August 1, 2017  
 Tuesday, September 5, 2017  
 Tuesday, October 3, 2017  
 Wednesday, November 8, 2017\*\*  
 Tuesday, December 5, 2017

All meetings begin at 7:30 p.m. in Community Room 1, Town Hall Annex, 134 Groton Long Point Road, on the first Tuesdays of each month, except as noted.

\*Moved to July 18, 2017 due to the July 4th Independence Day Holiday

\*\*Moved to Wednesday, November 8, 2017 because of Election Day on November 7, 2017.

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

*Councilor Watson made a motion, seconded by Councilor Grim, to adopt the 2017 Town Council Regular Meeting Schedule.*

*Councilor Peruzzotti stated that she would like the Town Council to meet the first Tuesday of every month. She noted that other meetings are required and Special meetings could be called.*

*Councilor Antipas stated that it is an interesting suggestion. He clarified that the Council would meet the first Tuesday, there would be two Committee of the Whole meetings, and Special meetings could be held. He stated that formal action is taken at Council meetings and the discussions take place at Committee of the Whole meetings.*



*Councilor Watson stated that citizens have the opportunity to speak only at a regular Town Council meeting, and such a schedule limits the opportunity for citizens to speak.*

*The Councilors discussed the differences between adopting a schedule and cancelling meetings or amending the schedule and adopting it as amended.*

*In response to Councilor Peruzzotti, Town Manager Oefinger stated that his sense is the Town Council meets too much. He noted that the downside to Special meetings is that you are limited by the agenda once it is posted.*

*Councilor Peruzzotti amended the motion, seconded by Councilor Grim, that the Town Council will meet the first Tuesday of the month, with the exception of July which would be the third Tuesday. The amendment passed unanimously.*

*Councilor Watson stated that Personnel and Appointments will meet on the first Tuesday, so a person who is appointed to a Board or Commission would be placed on a Board or Commission a month after the appointment.*

*Councilor Peruzzotti stated that there could be a Suspension of the Rules.*

**The motion carried unanimously**

**2016-0282**

**Adoption of 2017 Committee of the Whole Regular Meeting Schedule**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING 2017 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Council hereby approves the Committee of the Whole regular meeting schedule for 2017 as follows:

Tuesday, January 10, 2017  
Tuesday, January 24, 2017  
Tuesday, February 14, 2017  
Tuesday, February 28, 2017  
Tuesday, March 14, 2017  
Tuesday, March 28, 2017  
Tuesday, April 11, 2017  
Tuesday, April 25, 2017  
Tuesday, May 9, 2017  
Tuesday, May 23, 2017  
Tuesday, June 13, 2017  
Tuesday, June 27, 2017  
Tuesday, July 11, 2017  
Tuesday, July 25, 2017  
Tuesday, August 8, 2017  
Tuesday, August 22, 2017  
Tuesday, September 12, 2017  
Tuesday, September 26, 2017  
Tuesday, October 10, 2017  
Tuesday, October 24, 2017  
Tuesday, November 14, 2017  
Tuesday, November 28, 2017  
Tuesday, December 12, 2017  
Tuesday, December 26, 2017

All meetings begin at 6:00 p.m. in Community Room 1, Town Hall Annex, 134 Groton Long Point Road, on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.

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

The motion carried unanimously

2016-0283

**Adoption of 2017 Personnel and Appointments Committee Regular Meeting Schedule**

RESOLUTION APPROVING 2017 TOWN COUNCIL PERSONNEL AND APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Council hereby approves the Town Council Personnel and Appointments Committee regular meeting schedule for 2017 as follows:

Tuesday, January 3, 2017  
Tuesday, February 7, 2017  
Tuesday, March 7, 2017  
Tuesday April 4, 2017  
Tuesday, May 2, 2017  
Tuesday, June 6, 2017  
Tuesday, August 1, 2017  
Tuesday, September 5, 2017  
Tuesday, October 3, 2017  
Wednesday, November 8, 2017\*  
Tuesday, December 5, 2017

All meetings begin at 6:30 p.m. in Community Room 1, Town Hall Annex, 134 Groton Long Point Road, on the first Tuesday of each month, except as noted.

\*Moved to Wednesday, November 8, 2017 because of Election Day on November 7, 2017.

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

*Councilor Peruzzotti stated that she proposed meeting at 6:30 p.m. instead of 6:00 p.m. at the last meeting.*

The motion carried unanimously

**X. ADJOURNMENT**

*A motion to adjourn was made by Councilor Watson, seconded by Councilor Peruzzotti. Mayor Flax adjourned the meeting at 8:31 p.m.*

*Attest:*

*Betsy Moukawsher  
Groton Town Clerk  
Clerk of the Town Council*

NMC