



# Town of Groton, Connecticut

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## Meeting Minutes Town Council

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

Wednesday, November 7, 2007

7:30 PM

Town Hall Annex - Community Room 1

### Meeting Pursuant to Town Charter Section 4.2

#### I. ROLL CALL

*Town Clerk Barbara Tarbox called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.*

*Also present were Town Manager Mark Oefinger, Assistant to the Town Manager Lee Vincent, Town Clerk Barbara Tarbox, and Office Assistant Elga Conception.*

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

#### II. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

*The Salute to the Flag was led by Richard Monteiro.*

#### III. ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE TO TOWN COUNCILORS - Town Clerk

*The Town Clerk administered the oath of office to the new Town Council.*

#### IV. ADOPTION OF TWENTY-SIXTH COUNCIL TEMPORARY RULES AND PROCEDURES

##### 2007-0252 Temporary Adoption of Twenty-Sixth Council Rules

RESOLUTION APPROVING ADOPTION OF TEMPORARY RULES AND PROCEDURES FOR THE TWENTY-SIXTH COUNCIL

RESOLVED, that the Rules and Procedures of the Twenty-Fifth Council are temporarily adopted as the Rules and Procedures for the Twenty-Sixth Council, elected November 6, 2007.

**A motion was made by Councilor Kolnaski, seconded by Councilor Bond, that this matter be Adopted.**

**The motion carried unanimously**

#### V. ELECTION OF MAYOR - Town Clerk

*The Town Clerk called for nominations for Chairman of the Council, also known as Mayor.*

*Councilor Streeter nominated Councilor Watson as Mayor, and was seconded by Councilor Schmidt.*

*Councilor Bond nominated Councilor O'Beirne as Mayor, and was seconded by Councilor Sheets.*

*Voting in favor of Councilor Watson were Councilors Tracy, Kolnaski, Monteiro, Schmidt, Streeter and Watson.*

*Voting in favor of Councilor O'Beirne were Councilors Bond, O'Beirne and Sheets.*

*Councilor Watson was elected as Mayor with six Councilors in favor.*

#### VI. PRESENTATION OF GAVEL TO NEWLY ELECTED MAYOR

*Town Clerk Tarbox presented newly elected Mayor Watson with the gavel.*

#### VII. APPOINTMENT OF RULES COMMITTEE

*Mayor Watson asked Councilors to indicate their interest in serving on the Rules Committee.*

**2007-0253**

**Appointment of Temporary Rules Committee**

APPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY RULES COMMITTEE BY THE MAYOR

The Mayor hereby appoints the following members to the Temporary Rules Committee to review the Twenty-Fifth Town Council Rules as temporarily adopted for the Twenty-Sixth Council:

1. Councilor O'Beirne
2. Councilor Schmidt
3. Councilor Streeter
4. Councilor Tracy

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

*A motion to adjourn at 7:35 p.m. was made by Councilor Schmidt, seconded by Councilor Kolnaski and so voted unanimously.*

*Attest:*

*Barbara Tarbox, Town Clerk  
Clerk of the Council*

*Elga Conception, Office Assistant*