

Office of the MAYOR

TOWN OF GROTON  
CONNECTICUT

# Proclamation

## Proclamation Honoring the 2017 Navy Chief Petty Officers and Selectees

WHEREAS, upon completion of the community service projects at Poquonnock Plains Park, the Veterans Memorial, the Senior Center, and the Groton Public Library, the Groton Town Council wishes to convey sincere appreciation to the 2017 Navy Chief Petty Officers and Selectees under direction of Command Master Chief Ron Clark for their dedicated service to the Town of Groton and the citizens of this great town, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Groton is the home of the USS Nautilus, birthplace of the U.S. Submarine Force, and home to the shipyard that builds the best submarines in the world, giving Groton a proud role in the stellar reputation of the 2017 Navy Chief Petty Officers and Selectees, and

WHEREAS, on August 12, 2017, this dedicated group of hard-working Navy Chief Petty Officers and Selectees spent many hours making improvements by installing a rope barrier, power washing, weeding, mulching, painting, and staining at these Groton landmarks and facilities, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Council of the Town of Groton, on behalf of the citizens of Groton, does hereby extend our appreciation to the 2017 Navy Chief Petty Officers and Selectees in recognition for all that they have done for our local community, as well as serving our great country.

Dated at Groton, Connecticut this 8th day of November, 2017.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Bruce S. Key', is written over a horizontal line.

MAYOR, THE TOWN OF GROTON

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## PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING William "Bill" Stanley

WHEREAS, Bill Stanley, Vice President of Development and Community Relations for Lawrence and Memorial Hospital/Yale New Haven Health, has been selected as the 2017 recipient of the William Crawford Distinguished Service Award, and

WHEREAS, the William Crawford Distinguished Service Award is presented periodically to outstanding individuals who exemplify the spirit of service to one's neighbors and who have contributed to improving the quality of life in Eastern Connecticut, and

WHEREAS, the award is named for William Crawford, General Manager of Southeastern Connecticut Broadcast Corporation, who became well-known for generating community interest through the programming at his station, and

WHEREAS, Bill has been selected for this award because of his numerous accomplishments, including his service as Commissioner of the New London Development Corporation for six years; chairing the Eastern Connecticut Heart Walk for five years raising over \$900,000; as a longtime member of the New London Rotary Club; serving on the United Way of Southeastern Connecticut Campaign Cabinet for twelve years and as Champaign Chair for one year; and currently on the Three Rivers Community College Foundation Board of Directors, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Groton Town Council, on behalf of the citizens of the Town of Groton, congratulates Bill Stanley for receiving the William Crawford Distinguished Service Award in recognition of his continued commitment to improving the lives of citizens throughout Eastern Connecticut.

Groton, Connecticut this 8<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2017.



  
MAYOR, THE TOWN OF GROTON



# 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 Councilor Harry A. Watson**

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**Wednesday, November 8, 2017**

**7:30 PM**

**Town Hall Annex - Community Room 1**

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### REGULAR MEETING

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*Mayor Flax call the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Town Clerk Betsy Moukawsher read the roll call of the meeting.*

#### **I. ROLL CALL**

*Mayor Flax declared a quorum with six Town Councilors present.*

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

Members Absent: Councilor Barber, Councilor Grim and Councilor Peruzzotti

#### **II. SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

*The Salute to the Flag was led by Chief Petty Officer James Crane.*

#### **III. RECOGNITION, AWARDS & MEMORIALS**

**2017-0241 Proclamation Honoring the 2017 Navy Chief Petty Officers and Selectees**  
Read

*Councilor Nault read this proclamation.*

**2017-0250 Proclamation Recognizing William Stanley**  
Read

*Mayor Flax read this proclamation.*

*Mayor Flax made a motion to recess the meeting for the purpose of an executive session to include the members of the Town Council, Town Manager John Burt, Human Resource Director Robert Zagami, and Town Attorney Eileen Duggan in order to discuss strategy and or negotiations with respect to collective bargaining with one or more bargaining units. He stated that this action was taken without prejudice to the Town Council's right to discuss these matters in a private meeting pursuant to Connecticut General Statute 1-200 (2). The motion was seconded by Councilor Moravsik and the vote carried unanimously. The recess was taken at 7:42 p.m.*

*Mayor Flax called the meeting back in session at 8:15 p.m.*

#### **Suspension of Town Council Rule 7 b) to consider and act upon:**

*Mayor Flax made a motion to suspend the Town Council rule 7 b) in order to consider and act upon item 2017-0199 Police Union Collective Bargaining Agreement. The motion was seconded by Councilor Antipas and the motion carried unanimously.*

**2017-0199 Police Union Collective Bargaining Agreement**

RESOLUTION APPROVING TENTATIVE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF GROTON AND THE GROTON POLICE UNION, LOCAL #3428, COUNCIL #4, AFSCME, AFL-CIO, JULY 1, 2016-JUNE 30, 2019

WHEREAS, the Town of Groton and the Groton Police Union, Local #3428, Council #4, AFSCME, AFL-CIO, reached a tentative agreement on a successor collective bargaining agreement for the term July 1, 2016-June 30, 2020, and

WHEREAS, the bargaining unit membership voted to ratify the agreement, and approval is recommended by the Town's negotiators, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Groton Town Council hereby approves the agreement and the expenditure of funds necessary to implement the agreement between the Town of Groton and the Groton Police Union, Local #3428, Council #4, AFSCME, AFL-CIO, July 1, 2016-June 30, 2020.

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

*Councilor Nault stated that the reason why the Council suspended the rules is because they had been working on this agreement for a long time. The Town Attorney suggested that they act on it at this meeting, rather than waiting for another COW meeting before acting on it.*

The motion carried unanimously

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

*Jim Furlong, 57 Fishtown Lane, Mystic, made a request that the Town Council suspend the vote to merge the Planning and Zoning Commissions. He stated that the new Zoning Regulations will have a Public Hearing either late November 2018 or early 2019 for implementation of the regulations. He stated that the Council should wait for the completion of the new regulations.*

*Amy Gresham, 45 West Main Street, Mystic, asked the Town Council to consider adopting a Noise Ordinance. She stated that the Chapter One restaurant often has unacceptable noise radiating from loud outdoor music. She stated that she has documented her complaint and has given it to the police. She was told by the police that they can not do anything without an Ordinance. She stated that she had been in contact with the Chief of Police and the Mystic Chamber of Commerce. She stated that they have talked to the owner to no avail. She listed other towns that have noise ordinances.*

*Marty Pollard, 44 Overlook Road, Gales Ferry, stated that she is a Groton employee and the President of the Groton Municipal Employee Association (GMEA). She stated that Cost of Living Allowance increases should be given to all Town retirees, not just a few. She made a request for a referral to discuss COLA increases for retirees. She read into the record letters from Town retirees regarding their request for a 2% increase to COLA. (Statements on File)*

*Catherine Hoffman, 21 Indigo Street, Mystic, Town employee GMEA read into the record letters from Town retirees regarding their request for a 2% increase to COLA. (Statements on File)*

*Horst Newberry, 279 Thames Street, spoke about the request for a 2% increase to COLA for the retirees.*

*Larry Johnson, 115 Ridgewood Drive, Mystic, stated that he was a retiree of the Town of Groton. He spoke about the request for a 2% increase to COLA for the retirees.*

*Sue Palmer, 35 Sandra Drive, Westerly R.I., stated that she has been an employee of the Town for 32 years. She read into the record letters from Town retirees regarding their request for a 2% increase to COLA. (Statements on File)*

*Thomas Potter, 154 Walker Hill Road, spoke about Balfour Beatty and the loss of revenue. He stated that the Town could have been collecting for the cost of services since 2004. He stated that the Town has lost the opportunity to negotiate a fee for services. He suggested that the Council direct the Town Manager to negotiate with the present owner of Balfour Beatty. He stated that with business revenues of over \$300 billion, Balfour Beatty can afford to be billed to cover the services that the Town provides. (Statement on File)*

*Jean Claude Amboise, 169 Shennessocett Parkway, stated commented on the proposed Town Charter changes and the Revision Commission Report. He stated that he does not agree with the Town Council's reasons to go forward. He urged the Council to oppose this measure.*

*Gretchen Chipperini, 86 Phoenix Drive, presented a performance overview of the 2015-2017 Town Council. (Statement on File)*

*Marvin Shaw, 281 Crown Ridge Road, stated that he is a GMEA retiree. He spoke about the need for a 2% increase to COLA. He stated that he would like the Town Council to consider this request.*

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

*Councilor Morton responded to the people who spoke on behalf of the Groton Municipal Employees Association. She stated that this was the reason that she requested a standing referral to address the increase to the Cost of Living Allowance for all bargaining groups. She stated that she feels very strongly that the Town gets years and years of faithful service from the people who work for Groton. She stated that these employees are given the promise that upon retirement and after five years, the Town will review their pension benefits every other year and consider providing an increase. She stated that an increase is not guaranteed, but the promise is made that their pensions will be looked at and addressed. She stated that to her knowledge this practice has never been followed in any regular basis and may have not been reviewed for more than a decade. She stated that she thinks this is something that the Town needs to start doing on an annual basis. She stated that this should be an automatic review. She stated that the City of Groton has an automatic review program, and every year all of their retirees are entitled to a pension equivalent to whatever Social Security receives as Cost of Living Allowance. She stated that this process should be automatic here, in the Town. She stated that she hopes that the new Town Council will address this issue.*

*Town Clerk Betsy Moukawsher respectfully stated that Citizen's Petitions are for the citizens of Groton and the purpose of Responses to Citizen's Petitions is for the clarification of a citizen's request or statement. She stated that Councilor Morton should put her thoughts and suggestions in a memorandum and submit it to the Town Council.*

*Councilor Antipas stated that he has a lot of choice things to say, but that he will hold his tongue.*

## **VI. CONSENT CALENDAR**

### **a. Approval of Minutes**

#### **2017-0243 Approval of Minutes (Town Council)**

#### **RESOLUTION ACCEPTING TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES**

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Town Council meetings of September 26, 2017, October 3, 2017, and October 17, 2017 are hereby accepted and approved.

This Matter was Adopted on the Consent Calendar.

### **b. Administrative Items**

#### **2017-0236 Special Trust Fund Contributions**

#### **RESOLUTION ACCEPTING CONTRIBUTIONS TO SPECIAL TRUST FUNDS**

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

Jack Race - \$2.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Michael Courter - \$10.00 - Parks and Recreation Revolving

Anonymous - \$65.00 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program

Marsha Cedrone - \$15.00 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program

Danielle Chevalier - \$50.00 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program

David & Valerie Cournoyer - \$20.00 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program  
 Penelope Dawley - \$50.00 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program  
 Jason & Julie Dubreuil - \$30.00 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program  
 John & Anne Potter - \$40.00 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program  
 Emily Thomas - \$5.00 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program  
 Groton Utilities Matching Funds - \$1,243.50 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program  
 BPO Elks Lodge No 2163 - \$1,000 - Social Services Discretionary  
 Mystic Area Churches - \$1,000 - Social Services Discretionary  
 Lee Vincent - \$50.00 - Social Services Discretionary  
 Melissa de la Cruz - \$20.00 - Library Miscellaneous  
 Donald & Rose Werner - \$500.00 - Library Miscellaneous  
 Linda Williams - \$75.00 - Library Miscellaneous  
 Marsha Cedrone - \$20.00 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program  
 Mary Dowd - \$25.00 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program  
 Armand & Nancy Morin - \$25.00 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program  
 Virginia Richards - \$30.00 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program  
 Douglas & Debra Wilson - \$25.00 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program  
 Joan Feeney - \$100.00 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program  
 Robert & William Loweth - \$2,000.00 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program  
 Groton Utilities Matching Funds - \$200.00 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program

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

**c. Deletions from the Town Council Referral List**

**2017-0216 Bike Feasibility Study Presentation**

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

**2017-0217 Parks and Recreation Commission - Little League Tournament**

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

**2017-0221 Preliminary Results of Operations - FYE 2017**

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

**2017-0242 Filling the Patrol Officer Position in the Police Department**

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

**2017-0075 Disposition of William Seely School Property**

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

**2017-0172 Adoption of Ordinance to Designate the Planning Commission the Planning and Zoning Commission and to Abolish the Zoning Commission**

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

**2017-0222 Adoption of 2018 Town Council Regular Meeting Schedule**

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

**2017-0223 Adoption of 2018 Committee of the Whole Regular Meeting Schedule**

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

**2017-0224 Adoption of 2018 Personnel and Appointments Committee Regular Meeting Schedule**

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

**2017-0228 Interlocal Agreement for Regional Community Enhancement Task Force - Modification**

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

**2017-0229 Modification of Rules - Presentations by Department Heads at Town Council Meetings**

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

**2017-0230 Contingency Transfer for Tax Increment Financing District for "Five Corners" and Thames**

**Street**

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

**2017-0231 Appointment of Barbara Nagy to Library Board**

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

**2017-0232 Appointment of Richard Fitzgerald to Zoning Board of Appeals**

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

**2017-0233 Appointment of David McBride to Community Development Advisory Committee**

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

**2017-0234 Reappointment of Andrew German to Jabez Smith House Committee**

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

**2017-0235 Request for Donation for Thames River Heritage Park Water Taxi (FYE 2019)**

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

**2017-0237 Groton Education Foundation Grant - Library**

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

**2017-0238 Osteoarthritis Action Alliance Grant**

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

**2017-0244 Agreement with Odd Fellows Home of Connecticut, Inc.****2017-0245 American Library Association Ready to Code Grant****2017-0199 Police Union Collective Bargaining Agreement****Passed The Consent Calendar**

A motion was made by Councilor Watson, 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

**Passed The Consent Calendar**

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The motion carried unanimously

**Passed The Consent Calendar**

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The motion carried unanimously

**Passed The Consent Calendar**

A motion was made by Councilor Watson, 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 Moravsik reported that he had attended the October Groton Sail Committee meeting, the October SEAT regular meeting, and the Annual Fall meeting with the Groton Long Point Association.*

*Councilor Nault reported that she attended the Downtown Mystic Merchants fundraiser to raise funds for the hurricane victims in Puerto Rico.*

*Councilor Watson reported that he attended Parks and Recreation Commission meeting on October 11, 2017 and he attended the Groton Community Meals Soupathon fundraiser on November 4, 2017 at the Groton Elks Club.*

*Councilor Antipas reported that he attended the October 19, 2017 Southeastern Connecticut Water Authority Board quarterly meeting.*

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

*Town Clerk Betsy Moukawsher reported that the RTM canceled their November 8, 2017 meeting due to the lack of business. She stated that they do have a referral to the Rules Committee, but that the Moderator decided to let the new RTM review this business. She announced that the next meeting is scheduled for December 13, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. at the Groton Senior Center. She stated that the RTM may chose to have a special meeting to review the Ordinance to Designate the Planning Commission and the Zoning Commission and to abolish the Zoning Commission. She stated that if the Town Council passes the Ordinance, the RTM has 45 days to consider a veto.*

**c. Clerk of the Council**

*Town Clerk Betsy Moukawsher read a correspondence into the record that she received from Mr. Thomas W. Potter regarding a statement that Council Antipas made during the October 19, 2017 Town Council meeting. The correspondence is attached to the record.*

*She reported that the Municipal Elections went smoothly and that 25% of the register voters turned out to vote. In response to Mayor Flax, she stated that 4837 people had voted on November 7, 2017.*

**d. Town Manager**

*Town Manager John Burt announced that the Town offices will be closed on Friday, November 10, 2017 in observance of Veterans' Day. He announced that the Groton Human Services Department will be providing over 500 food baskets to Gorton families for the Thanksgiving holiday. He stated that donations of non-perishable food is welcome. Please drop off any items by November 16, 2017 at the Human Services building at 2 Fort Hill Road.*

*He reported that he now has a list of needed repairs for the Groton Ambulance building . He stated that he is still waiting for the Town Attorney to review the updated lease agreement.*

*He responded to request for a Noise Ordinance by Ms. Gresham by stated that businesses are required to have special permit for any outdoor music. He stated that Chapter One has not requested a permit. He stated that this issue has be referred to the Town Attorney and they will work to enforce compliance with the law. He confirmed that he is aware of this issue and that he is working on it. He also stated the he has had a couple of meetings regrading Balfour Beatty in order to discuss options.*

*Mayor Flax stated that there was an election yesterday. He stated that there are eight new Councilors coming in, along with Councilor Moravsik. He stated that this Town Council only has a few meeting left. He offered his assistance with the transition to the new Town Council. He extended his congratulations to all of the Democrats.*

**VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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

*Chairman Watson reported that the Personnel and Appointments Committee met on October 3, 2017 and this evening. He reviewed the October 3rd meeting by stating that the Committee interviewed three applicants for the Permanent School Building Committee. He stated the importance of filling the vacancies on this committee. He stated that there was a fourth applicant who was unavailable for the interview. He stated that there were three positions to fill. No action was taken for the three applicants. He review the appointments that are on the current agenda.*



*He reported on a meeting with Jonathan Grossman and Jeff Zuliani from the Parks and Recreation Commission regarding a proposed Little League Baseball tournament. He stated that the issue in question is whether there was a conflict with their actions as Commission members and in organizing this tournament. He stated that in reviewing the process, the Personnel and Appointment Committee found no conflict.*

**b. Rules - Chairman Antipas**

*No meeting, no report.*

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

*Mayor Flax reported that the Committee of the Whole met and that actions from those meetings are on the agenda tonight.*

**IX. NEW BUSINESS**

**2017-0075 Disposition of William Seely School Property**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACTS CONCERNING THE WILLIAM SEELY SCHOOL PROPERTY**

WHEREAS, the Town of Groton has been pursuing the redevelopment of the William Seely School Property on Walker Hill Road; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council has determined the best option to develop the property would be to work with a commercial real estate broker to market the property in conjunction with several adjacent properties; and

WHEREAS, the Town Manager has a draft contract with Pinpoint Commercial Real-Estate to market the property for a flat fee of \$70,000 or a commission of 10% of the Actual Sales Price, whichever is greater in addition to other incentives, only payable upon closing on the sale of the property; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council has also determined that the efforts to market this property will require the creation of multiple conceptual plans; and

WHEREAS, the Town Manager has a draft agreement with Nelson Edwards Company Architects, LLC to create the necessary conceptual plans at a cost of \$12,750, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Council authorizes the Town Manager to enter into agreements with both Pinpoint Commercial Real Estate and with Nelson Edwards Company Architects; and, be it, further

RESOLVED, that the funds to pay for the Nelson Edwards contract shall come from anticipated salary savings (\$11,700) within the Planning and Development Department, and \$1,050 from CIP 50106 5868 (Market Excess Town Properties).

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

*Mayor Flax stated that it is detrimental to the Town to be partnering with Ms. Chipperini. He stated that he thinks that it is hard to do business with her. He stated that Lisa Whitney is representing both the Town and Ms. Chipperini. He stated that he is looking for some kind of assurance that neither the Town nor Ms. Chipperini will get involved in any proposals until they need to get involved.*

*In response to Mayor Flax, Lisa Whitney stated that she has been in discussions with Town Manager John Burt, OPDS Director Mr. Reiner, and Economic Development Specialist Paige Bronk to discuss the structure, and in having independent agreements. She stated that she independently represents the Town. She stated that she represents Ms. Chipperini independently. She stated that*

*she is in discussion with additional property owners in the William Seely School area and has offered to represent them independently. She stated that representation is confidential between parties. She stated that what she will be able to do as a Broker is to market these properties as one assemblage. She stated that one property is not contingent on another. She stated that they are independent listing agreements. She stated that having the ability to market them together as an assembled development is the advantage that a commercial broker can offer.*

*In response to Mayor Flax, Ms. Whitney stated that each individual negotiation will be separate. She stated that when a developer comes forward with a proposal she will go to each individual property owner and negotiate separately.*

*Town Manager John Burt stated the importance in moving forward with this and it having the potential of producing a lot of tax revenue, if things are successful.*

**The motion carried unanimously**

**2017-0172**

**Adoption of Ordinance to Designate the Planning Commission the Planning and Zoning Commission and to Abolish the Zoning Commission**

**ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE TO DESIGNATE THE PLANNING COMMISSION AS THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION FOR THE TOWN OF GROTON AND TO ABOLISH THE ZONING COMMISSION**

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

1. Although the Planning and Zoning Commissions have provided the townspeople of the Town of Groton consistently exemplary service, changing economic and other conditions, including the increasing uncertainty of the State of Connecticut's ability to provide revenues to the municipalities, have caused the Town Council to reconsider the utility of having two separate commissions. Information obtained by the Town Council strongly indicates that it would be in the Town's best interest to create a combined Planning and Zoning Commission in order to, among other things, unify and expedite the processes of obtaining zoning approvals and thus encourage economic development.
2. Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Section 8-4a, the Planning Commission is hereby designated as the Planning and Zoning Commission for the Town of Groton, and said Planning and Zoning Commission shall have all powers granted to planning commissions, zoning commissions, and planning and zoning commissions by the laws of the State of Connecticut, including without limitation the powers granted planning and zoning commissions by Chapters 124 and 126 of the Connecticut General Statutes.
3. The Planning and Zoning Commission shall consist of seven regular members and three alternates, all of whom shall serve five-year terms, and each of whom shall be a resident elector of the Town and appointed by a majority vote of the Town Council. The present terms of office of the five regular and three alternate members of the Planning Commission, including any currently vacant seats, shall continue until their current expiration date. Thereafter, the Town Council shall appoint regular and alternate members for terms of five-years. The terms of the two additional seats for regular members created hereby shall terminate on December 31, 2021, and shall thereafter be filled for five year terms. No regular or alternate member of the Planning and Zoning commission may concurrently be a regular or alternate member of the Town of Groton Zoning Board of Appeals.
4. Alternate members shall have all the powers and duties conferred on alternate members of a planning and zoning commission by the General Statutes. Alternates shall be designated to act according to a regular rotation process so as to assure to the extent practicable equal participation by each in the affairs of the Planning and Zoning Commission.

5. The Town Council shall by an affirmative vote of five fill all vacancies of the regular and alternate members of the Planning and Zoning Commission for the unexpired portion of any term.

6. The Zoning Commission shall be abolished and shall cease to exist and the Planning Commission shall become the Planning and Zoning Commission on the earlier of January 4, 2019 or 45 days after the day on which written certification is given by the Director of the Office of Planning and Development Services to the Town Council and Town Clerk that the comprehensive re-write of the Zoning Regulations pending before the Zoning Commission on the date of passage of this Ordinance by the Town Council has been adopted by the Zoning Commission. As of the date on which the Zoning Commission is abolished hereunder, the Planning and Zoning Commission shall have jurisdiction over all applications, referrals, and other matters of any kind pending before the Zoning Commission and the Planning Commission.

7. This Ordinance shall be effective 45 days after enactment by the Council unless vetoed by the RTM.

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

*Councilor Watson questioned item number five (5) as to whether the wording should be changed. He stated that a majority vote of five (5) Councilors would not be enough votes according to the Town Charter.*

*Councilor Antipas stated that in order to do business, the Town Council must have at least six (6) members present. He stated that all approvals must have five (5) affirmative votes.*

*Town Clerk Betsy Moukawsher read from the Town Charter to confirm Council Antipas's statement.*

*Councilor Antipas made a motion, seconded by Councilor Nault, to amend item five (5) of the Ordinance in order to read: The Town Council shall by an affirmative vote of five to fill all vacancies of the regular and alternate members of the Planning and Zoning Commission for the unexpired portion of any term. The motion carried unanimously.*

*Mayor Flax stated that a number of people have suggested that the Town Council hold off from passing this Ordinance. He stated that he is in favor of passing it. He stated that the Planning and Zoning Departments are in favor of passing it; the Groton Business Association is in favor of passing it; the Town Manager is in favor of passing it. He stated that this Ordinance is good for the Town and for business.*

*Councilor Antipas stated that he had heard that the Zoning Commission as done good things in the past. He stated that the purpose of the Zoning Commission is to follow the Zoning Regulations and process applications against those regulations, He stated that this is the good thing it does.*

*Mayor Flax called for a roll call vote from the Town Clerk.*

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

**Votes:** In Favor: 5 - Mayor Flax, Councilor Morton, Councilor Nault, Councilor Watson and Councilor Moravsik  
Opposed: 1 - Councilor Antipas

**2017-0222 Adoption of 2018 Town Council Regular Meeting Schedule**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING 2018 TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE**

**BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Council hereby approves the Town Council regular meeting schedule for 2018 as follows:**

**Tuesday, January 2, 2018**

Tuesday, February 6, 2018  
 Tuesday, March 6, 2018  
 Tuesday, April 3, 2018  
 Tuesday, May 1, 2018  
 Tuesday, June 5, 2018  
 Tuesday, July 3, 2018  
 Tuesday, August 7, 2018  
 Tuesday, September 4, 2018  
 Tuesday, October 2, 2018  
 Wednesday, November 7, 2018\*  
 Tuesday, December 4, 2018

All meetings begin at 7:30 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 7, 2018 because of Election Day on November 6, 2018.

A motion was made by Councilor Moravsik, seconded by Councilor Nault, that this matter be Adopted.  
 The motion carried unanimously

2017-0223

**Adoption of 2018 Committee of the Whole Regular Meeting Schedule**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING 2018 TOWN COUNCIL 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 2018 as follows:

Tuesday, January 9, 2018  
 Tuesday, January 23, 2018  
 Tuesday, February 13, 2018  
 Tuesday, February 27, 2018  
 Tuesday, March 13, 2018  
 Tuesday, March 27, 2018  
 Tuesday, April 10, 2018  
 Tuesday, April 24, 2018  
 Tuesday, May 8, 2018  
 Tuesday, May 22, 2018  
 Tuesday, June 12, 2018  
 Tuesday, June 26, 2018  
 Tuesday, July 10, 2018  
 Tuesday, July 24, 2018  
 Tuesday, August 14, 2018  
 Tuesday, August 28, 2018  
 Tuesday, September 11, 2018  
 Tuesday, September 25, 2018  
 Tuesday, October 9, 2018  
 Tuesday, October 23, 2018  
 Tuesday, November 13, 2018  
 Tuesday, November 27, 2018  
 Tuesday, December 11, 2018  
 Wednesday, December 26, 2018\*

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.

\*Moved to Wednesday, December 26, 2018 because of Christmas Day on December 25, 2018

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

The motion carried unanimously

**2017-0224 Adoption of 2018 Personnel and Appointments Committee Regular Meeting Schedule**  
**RESOLUTION APPROVING 2018 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 2018 as follows:

Tuesday, January 2, 2018  
 Tuesday, February 6, 2018  
 Tuesday, March 6, 2018  
 Tuesday, April 3, 2018  
 Tuesday, May 1, 2018  
 Tuesday, June 5, 2018  
 Tuesday, July 3, 2018  
 Tuesday, August 7, 2018  
 Tuesday, September 4, 2018  
 Tuesday, October 2, 2018  
 Wednesday, November 7, 2018\*  
 Tuesday, December 4, 2018

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 7, 2018 because of Election Day on November 6, 2018.

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

The motion carried unanimously

**2017-0228 Interlocal Agreement for Regional Community Enhancement Task Force - Modification**  
**MODIFICATION OF INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR REGIONAL COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT TASK FORCE**

WHEREAS, on June 6, 2017 in Resolution #2017-0115 the Town Council authorized former Town Manager Mark R. Oefinger to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with the Cities of Groton and New London and the Towns of Ledyard, Stonington and Waterford for participation in the Regional Community Enhancement Task Force, and

WHEREAS, the Town of East Lyme has expressed a desire to participate in the agreement, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Council authorizes Town Manager John Burt to enter into a modified Interlocal Agreement with the Cities of Groton and New London and the Towns of Ledyard, Stonington, Waterford, and East Lyme for participation in the Regional Community Enhancement Task Force.

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

The motion carried unanimously

**2017-0229 Modification of Rules - Presentations by Department Heads at Town Council Meetings**  
**MODIFICATION OF 30TH TOWN COUNCIL RULES TO PROVIDE FOR COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS**

RESOLVED, that Rule 7 (Order of Business and Agenda) of the Rules of Procedure to Govern the

Thirtieth Town Council is hereby amended, effective upon adoption, as follows:

Subsection a), under VII. Communications & Reports (Other than Committee Reports), add subsection e. Department Heads.

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

**The motion carried unanimously**

**2017-0230 Contingency Transfer for Tax Increment Financing District for "Five Corners" and Thames Street**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A \$7,500 COST SHARE FOR THE TAX INCREMENT FINANCING (TIF) DISTRICT MASTER PLANS WITHIN THE CITY OF GROTON**

WHEREAS, the Town of Groton has been working on a Tax Increment Finance (TIF) Policy; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council has contracted to have two TIF District Master Plans created for the areas near Route 117/184 intersection, also known as Groton Center Village, and for the Route 1/Downtown Groton area; and

WHEREAS, the City of Groton has budgeted \$15,000 to contract for two TIF District Master Plans for the Thames River Road area and for the "Five Corners" area; and

WHEREAS, the Town wishes to financially partner with the City in a spirit of municipal collaboration by paying for 50% of the cost of the two plans, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Council authorizes a transfer of \$7,500 from the General Fund Contingency, Account 10741 5499 to Account 10460 5290 for the purpose of paying for 50% of the cost of the creation of the TIF District Master Plans for Thames Street and "Five Corners" in the City of Groton.

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

**The motion carried unanimously**

**2017-0231 Appointment of Barbara Nagy to Library Board**

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING BARBARA NAGY TO THE LIBRARY BOARD**

RESOLVED, that Barbara A. Nagy, 201 Broad Street, is hereby appointed to the Library Board for a term ending 12/31/19.

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

**The motion carried unanimously**

**2017-0232 Appointment of Richard Fitzgerald to Zoning Board of Appeals**

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING RICHARD FITZGERALD TO THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**

RESOLVED, that Richard Fitzgerald, 8 Benjamin Road, Mystic, is hereby appointed to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a term expiring 12/31/20.

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

**The motion carried unanimously**

**2017-0233 Appointment of David McBride to Community Development Advisory Committee**

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING DAVID MCBRIDE TO THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

RESOLVED, that David McBride, 23 Burrows Street, is hereby appointed as an alternate member to the Community Development Advisory Committee for a term ending 2/7/19.

A motion was made by Councilor Watson, seconded by Councilor Morton, that this matter be Adopted.  
The motion carried unanimously

**2017-0234 Reappointment of Andrew German to Jabez Smith House Committee**

RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING ANDREW GERMAN TO THE JABEZ SMITH HOUSE COMMITTEE

RESOLVED, that Andrew W. German, 42 West Mystic Avenue, Mystic, is hereby reappointed to the Jabez Smith House Committee for a term expiring 09/07/20.

A motion was made by Councilor Watson, seconded by Councilor Morton, that this matter be Adopted.  
The motion carried unanimously

**2017-0235 Request for Donation for Thames River Heritage Park Water Taxi (FYE 2019)**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A \$10,000 DONATION FOR THE THAMES RIVER HERITAGE PARK WATER TAXI PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Town of Groton has received a request from the Thames River Heritage Park Foundation to continue its support by joining the City of Groton and the City of New London in donating \$10,000 each for a water taxi program during the next fiscal year (FYE 2019), and

WHEREAS, the Town Council recognizes that the water taxi "season" falls in both FYE 2018 and FYE 2019, and

WHEREAS, \$10,000 was budgeted in Function 1001 (Legislative Policy) for legislative, economic/community development, and other initiatives, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Council authorizes a \$10,000 donation to the Thames River Heritage Park Foundation in June 2018 from Account 10017 5230 for the Thames River Heritage Park water taxi program.

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

*Councilor Nault stated that she had received a lot of comments on Election Day about this issue. She stated that quite a few of the citizens stated that we should not be paying for this project. She stated that she might vote against it because of these opinions. She stated that she sees the merits of having the water taxi when the Submarine Museum opens and the Coast Guard Museum opens, but not right now.*

*Councilor Antipas stated that part of the reason why questions come up is because people may not have heard about the larger projects. He stated that the water taxi is, in essence, not meant to be a stand alone item. He stated that it is a component of a larger plan. He stated that the water taxi had to be in place first. He stated that the water taxi is not run by Town employees. He stated that Councilor Nault suggested that the timing is off, and the taxi is only one component.*

*Councilor Nault stated that you can take the taxi from Groton over to New London, and from New London over to Groton. She stated that there is not much to do in Groton along the Thames River. She stated that there is money to build the new pier at the Submarine Museum. She stated that once this is built and the Coast Guard Museum is built, the taxi will have places to go.*

*Councilor Antipas stated that in addition, the City of Groton and the City of New London have each contributed \$10,000. He stated that the Town of Groton would look like snooks if we didn't do something that looked like we were cooperating with the City of Groton. He stated that if this were at the \$100,000 level we might pause, but that \$10,000 should be considered a gesture.*

*In response to Councilor Antipas, Town Manger John Burt stated that if the Town Council delays a year, the taxi would have trouble operating for the season. He stated that now that the Town has*

*been involved in this project, he does not think that the Town Council would want to do anything to jeopardize the operations. He announced that the Town Council had budgeted for this expenditure. He stated that during the budget process, the funds were not allocated to a specific account.*

*Councilor Antipas stated that this is not something that can be throttled up or throttled down like an electric train.*

*Councilor Moravsik stated that the Town Council had previously made a commitment to the water taxi. He stated that this is just a follow-up. He stated the this is an obligation.*

*Mayor Flax stated that Councilor Moravsik was right. He stated that it is the City of Groton, the Town of Groton, and the City of New London combined effort. He stated that it is important that we keep those relationships going. He stated that people often want to see the Town cooperating with the City. He stated that the water taxi is good for the region and CTNext, and that it is important to carry on the tradition.*

*Councilor Nault asked if the Port Authority could fund this project. Mayor Flax stated that he believes that they are already involved. He stated that there are a lot of interesting projects associated with the water taxi. He stated that he thinks that it is important that we stay involved.*

*Councilor Watson stated that we need to keep invested in this project. He mentioned the Baltimore Harbor and their water taxi. He stated that the potential between the triangle of Groton, New London and the Nautilus as being a tremendous tourist attraction.*

The motion carried unanimously

2017-0237

**Groton Education Foundation Grant - Library**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO SEEK GRANT FUNDING FROM THE GROTON EDUCATION FOUNDATION, INC. (GEF) TO BENEFIT THE CHILDREN AND SENIOR COMMUNITY OF GROTON IN ASSOCIATION WITH GROTON PUBLIC LIBRARY'S BOOK BUDDIES INTERGENERATIONAL PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the children and seniors of Groton will benefit from a Book Buddies program which will include literacy- based enrichment activities between 5th grade students of Mary Morrison Elementary School, ages 10-11, and residents of the local area nursing and assisted living facilities, Groton Regency and Fairview Odd Fellows Home,

WHEREAS, the Groton Public Library, through its monthly Book Buddies program, will support literacy, intergenerational enrichment activities, and community collaboration,

WHEREAS, the Groton Education Foundation, Inc. (GEF) has funds available to provide and enhance these literacy-based enrichment activities and library materials in support of educating youth, ages 10-11, supporting seniors of Groton, and strengthening community partnerships,

RESOLVED that the Groton Town Council hereby authorizes the Town Manager or his designee to seek grant funding in the amount of \$1,000.00 from the Groton Education Foundation, Inc. which will be utilized by the Groton Public Library to benefit the Book Buddies intergenerational programming for children and seniors in the Groton community

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

The motion carried unanimously

2017-0238

**Osteoarthritis Action Alliance Grant**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN OSTEOARTHRITIS ACTION ALLIANCE GRANT FOR



## THE SENIOR CENTER

RESOLVED, that the Groton Senior Center is authorized to apply for a grant in the amount of \$5,000 from the Osteoarthritis Action Alliance to support the Arthritis Foundation's Walk with Ease program conducted at the Senior Center.

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

*In response to Councilor Antipas, Town Manger John Burt stated that there are no matching funds for this grant and that there are no further obligation. Councilor Antipas stated that this is purely an application.*

The motion carried unanimously

**Suspension of Town Council Rule 7 b) to consider and act upon:**

*Mayor Flax moved to suspend the Town Council Rules in order to consider item 2017-0244 Agreement with Odd Fellows Home of Connecticut, Inc., seconded by Councilor Watson. The motion carried unanimously.*

**2017-0244 Agreement with Odd Fellows Home of Connecticut, Inc.**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH ODD FELLOWS HOME OF CONNECTICUT, INC.

WHEREAS, Odd Fellows Home of Connecticut, Inc. ("Odd Fellows") is the owner of real and personal property located at 235 Lestertown Road, Groton, CT; and

WHEREAS, Odd Fellows commenced a tax appeal lawsuit against the Town of Groton claiming tax exemptions applied and contesting the Town's valuation and taxation of its property with respect to the October 1, 2015 and 2016 grand lists; and

WHEREAS, Odd Fellows and the Town of Groton have been engaged in discussions concerning an agreement that would require Odd Fellows to pay a PILOT (Payment In-Lieu of Taxes) commencing with the October 1, 2015 Grand List and continuing through and including the October 1, 2025 Grand List; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED that the Town Council authorizes the Town Attorney to finalize negotiations with Odd Fellows regarding the PILOT Agreement, and further authorizes the Town Manager, John Burt, to execute such Agreement on behalf of the Town of Groton.

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

*Mayor Flax stated that there has been some vocal discussion about this agreement with Odd Fellows. He stated that because this is in the final negotiations, we can not discuss the negotiation. He stated that this agreement enables the Town to avoid a lawsuit.*

The motion carried unanimously

**Suspension of Town Council Rule 7 b) to consider and act upon:**

*Councilor Watson made a motion, seconded by Councilor Nault, to suspend the Town Council Rule 7 b) in order to consider the American Library Association Ready to Code Grant. The motion carried unanimously.*

**2017-0245 American Library Association Ready to Code Grant**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO ACCEPT GRANT FUNDING FROM THE AMERCIAL LIBRARY ASSOCIATION TO PROMOTE COMPUTATIONAL THINKING AND COMPUTER SCIENCE AT THE GROTON PUBLIC LIBRARY

WHEREAS, The American Library Association is offering grant funding sponsored by Google as the third phase in their Ready to Code initiative, and

WHEREAS, funds would be used to develop computer coding and computational thinking programs for youth, and

WHEREAS, the Groton Public Library is one of 25 libraries in the country selected to participate in the program, therefore be it

RESOLVED that the Groton Town Council hereby authorizes the Town Manager or his designee to accept grant funding in the amount of \$6,000 from the American Library Association to acquire computer science resources useful for designing and implementing youth computer science programming in in the Groton Public Library.

A motion was made by Councilor Watson, seconded by Councilor Morton, that this matter be Adopted.  
The motion carried unanimously

**Suspension of Town Council Rule 7 b) to consider upon:**

*Councilor Watson made a motion to suspend the rules in order to consider appointments and reappointment to various Boards and Commissions. The motion was seconded Councilor Nault.*

**2017-0256 Resolution to Appoint Christina Post to the Permanent School Building Committee**

RESOLUTION APPOINTING CHRISTINA POST TO THE PERMANENT SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE

RESOLVED, that Christina Post, 76 Daniel Brown Drive, Mystic, is hereby appointed as a regular member to the Permanent School Building Committee with a term ending 9/29/2018.

A motion was made by Councilor Watson, seconded by Councilor Morton, that this matter be Adopted.  
The motion carried unanimously

**2017-0257 Resolution Appointing Douglas Manfred to the Permanent School Building Committee**

RESOLUTION APPOINT DOUGLAS MANFRED TO THE PERMANENT SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE

RESOLVED, that Douglas Manfred, 1 Fishtown Road, Mystic, is hereby appointed as a regular member to the Permanent School Building Committee for a term ending 9/29/2018.

A motion was made by Councilor Watson, seconded by Councilor Morton, that this matter be Adopted.  
The motion carried unanimously

**2017-0259 Resolution appointing Jamie Giordano to the Permanent School Building Committee**

RESOLUTION APPOINTING JAMIE GIORDANO TO THE PERMANENT SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE

RESOLVED, that Jamie Giordano, 8 Bass Drive, is hereby appointed as a regular member to the Permanent School Building Committee for a term ending 9/29/2020.

A motion was made by Councilor Watson, seconded by Councilor Morton, that this matter be Adopted.  
The motion carried unanimously

**2017-0260 Reappointment of Robert J. Austin-LaFrance to the Permanent School Building Committee**

REAPPOINTMENT OF ROBERT J. AUSTIN-LAFRANCE TO THE PERMANENT SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE

RESOLVED, that Robert J. Austin-LaFrance, 207 Plant Street, is hereby reappointed to the Permanent School Building Committee for a term expiring 9/29/2020.

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

The motion carried unanimously

**2017-0264 Reappointment of Michael Doyle to the Permanent School Building Committee**

RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING MICHAEL DOYLE TO THE PERMANENT SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE

RESOLVED, that Michael Doyle, 15 Elm Street, Noank, is hereby reappointed to the Permanent School Building Committee for a term expiring 9/29/2020.

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

The motion carried unanimously

2017-0265

**Reappointment of David E. Russell to the Permanent School Building Committee**

RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING DAVID E. RUSSELL TO THE PERMANENT SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE

RESOLVED, that David E. Russell, 73 Ronald Road, is hereby reappointed to the Permanent School Building Committee for a term expiring 9/29/2019.

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

The motion carried unanimously

*Mayor Flax reviewed the upcoming meeting schedule. He suggested that the Town Council invite the newly elected Town Council to the next Committee of the Whole meeting in order to discuss current referrals.*

*Councilor Antipas stated that the Mystic Fire District along with other Fire Districts have a desire to use the old SCARRA building at the Transfer Station for training purposes. He stated that the Mystic Fire District is scheduled to attend the November 28 COW meeting. He is not sure if they are ready to present a proposal.*

*Town Manager John Burt stated that Joe Sastre is in communication with the Fire Districts. He will discuss this issue with Mr. Sastre.*

*Mayor Flax made a request that the Town Manager invite the newly elected Town Council to the next COW meeting.*

**X. ADJOURNMENT**

*Councilor Watson made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilor Nault and so declared by Mayor Flax at 9:09 p.m.*

*Attest:*

*Betsy Moukawsher  
Town Clerk  
Clerk of the Council*