



Town of Groton, Connecticut

Meeting Minutes

Town Council Committee of the Whole

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Mayor Harry A. Watson, Councilors Peter J. Bartinik, Jr., Natalie Burfoot Billing, Heather Sherman Bond, Catherine Kolnaski, Frank O'Beirne, Jr., Paulann H. Sheets, Thomas J. Skrmetti, and Elissa T. Wright.

Tuesday, October 4, 2005

6:00 PM

Town Hall Annex - Community Room 1

SPECIAL MEETING

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Watson called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Mayor Watson, Councilor Bartinik, Jr., Councilor Billing, Councilor Bond, Councilor Kolnaski, Councilor O'Beirne, Jr., Councilor Sheets and Councilor Wright
Members Absent: Councilor Skrmetti

Councilors Wright and Bond arrived at 6:10 p.m.

3. NEW BUSINESS

2005-0199

Town Manager Annual Evaluation

Discussed

Mayor Watson noted that the purpose of this item is to conduct the Town Manager's evaluation which is due to be completed on July 1st of each year according to his agreement with the Town. The Mayor also noted that the Manager had previously distributed his self-evaluation and supporting documentation. The Mayor noted that he felt for process reasons only that the Town Council should go into executive session without the Manager and call him in when ready to conduct the formal evaluation. Councilor Kolnaski objected to this and felt that the Manager should be in attendance.

A motion was made by Councilor Kolnaski, seconded by Councilor Billing, that the Town Council enter executive session at 6:10 p.m. for the purpose of conducting the Town Manager's annual evaluation, and to invite the Town Manager to attend.

Additional discussion took place. The Town Manager noted that while he appreciated Councilor Kolnaski's concern, he would defer to the Council's best judgment as to whether or not he should be in attendance during the initial part of their deliberations.

A motion was made by Councilor O'Beirne, Jr., seconded by Councilor Sheets, to enter executive session at 6:13 p.m. without the Town Manager being present for the initial discussion and that it be noted in the minutes that the Town Manager concurred.

The motion carried unanimously.

Discussed

The executive session concluded at 7:25 p.m. with the understanding that the meeting would be adjourned to a time following the Town Council meeting scheduled to begin at 7:30 p.m.

At 9:50 p.m., Mayor Harry Watson reconvened the special meeting of the Committee of the Whole, which began at 6:00 p.m.

A motion was made by Councilor Billing, seconded by Councilor Kolnaski, to enter executive session at 9:50 p.m. for the purpose of continuing deliberations on the Town Manager's annual evaluation, and to invite the Town Manager to attend.

The motion carried unanimously.

The executive session concluded at 10:13 p.m. It was agreed that the Town Council would continue their deliberations concerning the Manager's annual evaluation at their next regularly scheduled Committee of the Whole meeting on October 11th and that a special meeting of the Town Council would be scheduled that evening for the purpose of formally acting on the Town Manager's annual evaluation.

4. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:13 p.m.