

181. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED ON OLD BUDDINGTON ROAD, ADJACENT TO THE POQUONNOCK RESERVOIR, FOR A TOTAL COST NOT TO EXCEED FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS AND NO CENTS (\$500,000.00) TO BE PAID FROM THE 1995 WATER DIVISION BOND FUND PROGRAM (INITIALLY APPROVED MARCH 22, 2010; FINALLY APPROVED APRIL 19, 2010)

WHEREAS, as part of the approved 1995 Water Division Bond Fund Program, Land Acquisition – Adjacent to Reservoir was included as a project line item in the amount of \$840, 737.98 for the proposed purchase of property that would offer continued protection of the water supply in the Poquonnock Reservoir; and

WHEREAS, at its regular meeting held on February 25, 2009, the City of Groton Utilities Commission authorized Groton Utilities Management to enter into negotiations for the proposed purchase of property located at 882 Old Buddington Road, adjacent to the Poquonnock Reservoir; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of the property would increase gravel sales due to the amount of gravel and loam above the water line and over time, increase the reservoir’s total water storage to near 3 billion gallons; and

WHEREAS, at its special meeting held on March 3, 2010, the City of Groton Utilities Commission voted to approve the purchase of a parcel of land located on Old Buddington Road, adjacent to the Poquonnock Reservoir, for a total cost not to exceed Five Hundred Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$500,000.00) to be paid from funds available in the approved 1995 Water Bond Fund; and

WHEREAS, this purchase of this real estate was referred to the City of Groton Planning and Zoning Commission in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes § 8-24 for consideration and was approved at its regular meeting held on March 16, 2010; and

WHEREAS, said parcel is more specifically described as follows:

A parcel of land situated on Old Buddington Road, in the said Town of Groton, beginning at a point along Old Buddington Road, said point marking the northwesterly corner of the herein described parcel and the southwesterly corner of land formerly belonging to Howard Doyle, et al.;

thence, running in a southerly direction by and along the easterly line of Old Buddington Road, 50.8 feet, to a point marking the southwesterly corner of the herein described parcel and the northwesterly corner of land now or formerly of one Edwards;

thence, running easterly, by and along said Edwards’ land, 175.5 feet to a corner;

thence, running southerly and slightly easterly by and along said Edwards’ land, 67 feet to a corner;

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thence, running easterly by and along said Edwards' land, 75 feet to a merestone, and lands now or formerly of the Borough of Groton;

thence, running southerly and easterly, by and along said Groton Borough property, 500 feet to a merestone;

thence, running northerly and easterly, by and along said Groton Borough property, 525 feet to a merestone;

thence, running northerly, by and along said Groton Borough property, 245 feet to a point, said point marking the northeasterly corner of the herein described parcel and the southeasterly corner of land of one Friedman;

thence, running in a westerly direction along wall and fence, by and along the southerly line of said Friedman's property, 865 feet, to a point, said point marking the northeasterly corner of land now or formerly of Edwin B. Foster, et al.;

thence, in a southerly direction, by and along the easterly line of said Foster land, 150 feet, to a point, said point marking the northeasterly corner of land now or formerly of Howard Doyle, et al.;

thence, in a southerly direction, by and along land of said Doyle, 100 feet to a point marking a corner of land of said Doyle;

thence, in a westerly direction, by and along land of said Doyle, 72 feet, to a point marking a corner of land of said Doyle;

thence, in a southerly direction, by and along land of said Doyle, 75.1 feet, to a point marking a corner of land of said Doyle;

thence, in a westerly direction, by and along land of said Doyle, 128 feet, to the point and place of beginning.

Containing 10.0 Acres of land, more or less.

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Reference is hereby made to a plan, on record at the Land Records of the Town of Groton, entitled "PLAN SHOWING LAND IN THE TOWN OF GROTON, CONN., FORMERLY A PART OF THE GILBERT O. BUDDINGTON FARM, LATELY OWNED BY CARL B. CAPMAN, NOW PROPERTY OF MINNIE D. HILL, JUNE 1940, SURVEYED FOR P. B. McNAMARA, 55 HIGH ST, GROTON, CONN.", L. E. Daboll – Civil Engineer, New London, Connecticut.

Being the same premises, conveyed in two tracts, by Warranty Deed of Carl F. Brooks and Helen M. Brooks to Robert N. Wassell and Bertha C. Wassell, dated and recorded July 25, 1945 in Volume 113 at Page 571 of the Town of Groton Land Records. Reference is also made to a Title Affidavit dated June 14, 2007, and recorded June 18, 2007 in Volume 982, Page 1072 of the Town of Groton Land Records. The Affidavit states that Robert N. Wassell died March 28, 2007.

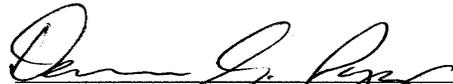
WHEREAS, this Ordinance was published in The Day, a newspaper having general circulation in the City of Groton on March 25, 2010 and March 26, 2010; and

WHEREAS, the City Freemen approved this Ordinance at a Special City (Freeman's) meeting held on April 19, 2010 at the City of Groton Municipal Building; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council **finally** approve "An Ordinance authorizing the purchase of a parcel of land located on Old Buddington Road, adjacent to the Poquonnock Reservoir, for a total cost not to exceed Five Hundred Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$500,000.00) to be paid from the 1995 Water Division Bond Fund Program".

Initially Approved: March 22, 2010

Finally Approved: April 19, 2010


Dennis L. Popp, Mayor


Debra Patrick, City Clerk