

**CITY OF GROTON  
MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
MINUTES  
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2004**

**MUNICIPAL BUILDING  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
7:30 PM**

**Mayor Dennis Popp called the meeting to order at 7:52 p.m.**

**I. ROLL CALL**

Present: Mayor Dennis Popp, Deputy Mayor Paul Duarte, Councilors David Hale, Michael Kindle, Sharon Schick, Marian Galbraith, Michael Street, Finance Director Tony Timpano and City Clerk Debra Patrick. Excused: Treasurer Terrence O'Hanlon.

**II. SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

Led by Mayor Popp.

**III. RECOGNITION, AWARDS AND MEMORIALS**

None.

**IV. RECEIPT OF CITIZEN'S PETITIONS/COMMENTS**

None.

**V. RESPOND TO CITIZEN'S PETITIONS/COMMENTS**

None.

**VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Councilor Galbraith** moved **Councilor Street** seconded a motion to approve the Mayor and Council minutes of October 18, 2004. **Motion passed unanimously.**

**Councilor Galbraith** moved **Councilor Schick** seconded a motion to approve the Committee of the Whole minutes of October 25, 2004. **Motion passed unanimously.**

**VII. COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS**

**Councilor Hale** had no report.

**Councilor Kindle** had no report.

**Councilor Street** reminded everyone to vote tomorrow.

**Councilor Galbraith** attended the Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarship Dinner on October 28<sup>th</sup> and thanked the City Council for sponsoring members of Arete' and sharing their table for the evening. She congratulated City resident Kenneth Yearwood Jr. on his scholarship award.

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**Councilor Schick** attended the Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarship Dinner and was very impressed with the recipient's composure in front of such a large audience. She volunteered her time at the State Championship Band Competition October 30<sup>th</sup> and attended a campaign stop for Senator Chris Dodd, House of Representative hopeful Jim Sullivan, State Senate hopeful Andrew Maynard and State Representative Ted Moukawsher on November 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Deputy Mayor Duarte** attended the Swashbuckler's Ball at Avery Point hosted by the Eastern Chamber of Commerce on October 22<sup>nd</sup>, the Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarship Dinner and was very impressed with the caliber of the recipients and their level of achievement while still in high school. He offered his congratulations to Ken Yearwood.

**Mayor Popp** attended the Business Expo at the Groton Inn & Suites on October 19<sup>th</sup>, the GASP Dinner on October 20<sup>th</sup>, and reported that the State has given approval for the managed care program for the City of Groton be administered by CIRMA. He met with the members of the Executive Board of the Windham Council of Governments and discussed the common issues that our communities face. He attended the Swashbuckler's Ball on October 22<sup>nd</sup>, discussed the continuation of the collaboration between the City of Groton and Grasso Tech and attended the employee breakfast on October 27<sup>th</sup> where the guest speaker spoke of improving customer service and getting the most out of your work. He attended the Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarship Dinner October 28<sup>th</sup> and offered his congratulations to Ken Yearwood and all the recipients. He attended the City of Groton sponsored 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Halloween Party on October 30<sup>th</sup>, spoke to Liz Porter's Freshman Government class on November 1<sup>st</sup> and the campaign stop of Senator Dodd, Jim Sullivan, Andrew Maynard and State Representative Moukawsher. He reported that the joint meeting with the Utility Commission has been scheduled for November 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers and the joint meeting with the Town Council on November 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Annex. Mayor Popp announced the Submarine Veteran's Memorial Service on November 11<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m.

**VIII. COMMITTEE REFERRALS**

Mayor Popp asked the Group II, Environment & Health Committee to look at the noise abatement issue. There have been a number of complaints in recent weeks regarding late night noise at Electric Boat. He said that we have always followed State regulations on noise levels. It was determined that construction noise is exempt from State regulations. He asked the Councilors to see if the local regulations could be tighter.

**IX. NEW BUSINESS**

**R-04-11-70 RESOLUTION TO FINALLY APPROVE "AN ORDINANCE APPROVING REVISIONS TO THE EXISTING WATER RATE SCHEDULE FOR THE CITY OF GROTON, DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES, WATER DIVISION, CUSTOMERS, INCLUDING THE EASTERN DIVISION, TO BE EFFECTIVE FOR WATER SERVICE BILLED ON AND AFTER NOVEMBER 1, 2004"**

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**WHEREAS**, the City of Groton, Department of Utilities, Water Division, has determined that revisions to the existing Water Rate Schedule are necessary; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Groton Utility Commission, on September 13, 2004, conducted a Public Hearing on the proposed revisions to the existing Water Rate Schedule and has considered all comments presented thereat and correspondence received; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Groton Utility Commission has arrived at a revised Water Rate Schedule after careful consideration; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Groton Utility Commission, at a special meeting held on September 13, 2004, approved the revised Water Rate Schedule and has recommended adoption by the City Council; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Groton Mayor and Council meeting held on October 4, 2004 initially approved this Ordinance; and

**WHEREAS**, this Ordinance was published in *The Day*, a newspaper having general circulation in the City of Groton on October 8, 2004 and October 9, 2004;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Council **finally** approve the revisions to the existing Water Rate Schedule for the City of Groton, Department of Utilities, Water Division, customers, including the Eastern Division, to be effective for water service billed on and after November 1, 2004, and thereafter until revised, as follows:

**Councilor Hale** moved **Councilor Schick** seconded a motion to approve **R-04-11-70**. **Motion passed unanimously.**

GROTON UTILITIES  
295 Meridian Street  
Groton, Connecticut 06340

RATE SCHEDULE FOR WATER SERVICE  
*BILLED ON AND AFTER NOVEMBER 1, 2004*

AVAILABILITY: Year-Round Water Service for use in a single or multi-family dwelling, business, or industrial establishment including service in the Eastern Division. Resale Service can be available by contract if the Resale Special Provision is met. Temporary water service can be available providing all Rules of this Department have been met.

1. MONTHLY RATE IS THE SUM OF THE SERVICE CHARGE AND THE CONSUMPTION CHARGE:

- a. The Monthly SERVICE CHARGE is based on meter size:

Meter Size Service Charge

Meter Size Service Charge

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5/8" or 3/4"	\$ 4.42	4"	\$ 89.41
1"	\$ 7.51	6"	\$126.10
1 1/2"	\$ 11.78	8"	\$229.29
2"	\$ 22.92	10" or larger	\$458.59
3"	\$ 55.66		

- b. The Monthly CONSUMPTION CHARGE is based on the number of Cubic Feet (CF) recorded on the meter during the billing month in accordance with this schedule:

<u>Consumption</u>	<u>On Peak</u> (May through Oct.)	<u>Off Peak</u> (Nov. through Apr.)
First 10,000 CF	2.773 cents per CF	2.232 cents per CF
All Additional CF	1.908 cents per CF	1.551 cents per CF

- c. Customers served by meters registered in gallons the Monthly CONSUMPTION CHARGE on the gallons recorded on the meter in accordance with the following schedule:

First 74,800 gallons	.37072 cents per Gal	.29840 cents per Gal
All Additional Gallons	.25508 cents per Gal	.20735 cents per Gal

2. HYDRANT AND FIRE SPRINKLER ANNUAL CHARGES: (NO CHANGE)

Hydrant Service Annual Charge: \$509.00

Fire Sprinkler Service:

<u>Connection Size</u>	<u>Annual Charge</u>	<u>Connection Size</u>	<u>Annual Charge</u>
2"	\$ 32.00	6"	\$191.00
3"	\$ 57.00	8"	\$321.00
4"	\$ 104.00	10"	\$464.00

3. TERM OF SERVICE: Water Service is on an annual basis. Seasonal Service requires payment of 12 Monthly Service Charges plus any Consumption Charge incurred.
4. SPECIAL PROVISION: Resale of Water Service is permitted under this Rate Schedule where reseller agrees that all resale consumption over 10,000 CF shall be billed at 1.908 cents per CF in on-peak months and at 1.551 cents per CF in off-peak months in consideration of the extreme seasonal peak demand and lesser annual load factor of Resale Service.

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**R-04-11-71 RESOLUTION THAT THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL ACKNOWLEDGE AND CONFIRM THE PURCHASE OF THREE VEHICLES FOR THE UTILITIES DEPARTMENT IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$90,183.16 (NINETY THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY-THREE DOLLARS AND SIXTEEN CENTS) TO BE PAID FROM FUNDS PROVIDED FOR IN THE APPROVED FISCAL YEAR 2004-2005 BUDGET**

**WHEREAS**, Management recently solicited quotes for the purchase of three vehicles; and

**WHEREAS**, the successful low bidder, Saybrook Ford, Incorporated, 1 Ford Drive, Old Saybrook, Connecticut, submitted its quote for a 2005 Ford F250 pickup truck in the amount of \$21,505.00; and

**WHEREAS**, the successful low bidder, Colvins, Incorporated, 185 Prospect Street, Waltham, Massachusetts, submitted its quote for a 2000 Ford 350 aerial bucket truck in the amount of \$38,500.00; and

**WHEREAS**, Saybrook Ford, Incorporated, 1 Ford Drive, Old Saybrook, Connecticut, was the successful low bidder for a 2005 electrician's walk-in van in the amount of \$30,178.16; and

**WHEREAS**, Management reviewed the bids with the Mayor to facilitate the purchase of these three vehicles, already acquired, with funds provided for in the approved Fiscal Year 2004-2005 budget; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Groton Utility Commission at its regular meeting held on October 27, 2004, acknowledged and confirmed the purchases of these vehicles;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Council acknowledge and confirm the purchase of three vehicles for the Utilities Department in the total amount of \$90,183.16, to be paid from funds provided for in the approved Fiscal Year 2004-2005 budget.

**Councilor Kindle** moved **Deputy Mayor Duarte** seconded a motion to approve **R-04-11-71**.

Len Mediavilla, Deputy Director, Water Division, Groton Utilities stated that the funds were budgeted and the vehicles became available through bid at a reasonable price.

**Motion passed unanimously.**

**R-04-11-72 RESOLUTION THAT THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL AUTHORIZE AND APPROVE THE PURCHASE ONE 2005 CHEVROLET 3500 REGULAR CAB TRUCK WITH CRANE AND UTILITY BODY FROM DON MALLON CHEVROLET, INCORPORATED, 774 WEST THAMES STREET, NORWICH, CONNECTICUT FOR A TOTAL PRICE OF \$41,725.00 (FORTY-ONE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE DOLLARS), FOR USE BY THE WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY, TO BE PURCHASED WITH FUNDS FROM FISCAL YEAR 2004-2005 BUDGET AND PRIOR YEARS RESERVED FUNDS**

**WHEREAS**, the Water Pollution Control Authority (WPCA) has identified the need to purchase a replacement truck; and

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**WHEREAS**, the City Purchasing Agent solicited bids from specifications developed by the WPCA employees; and

**WHEREAS**, the bid from Don Mallon Chevrolet Incorporated., 774 West Thames Street, Norwich, Connecticut, submitted with no exceptions and the lowest price, is judged to be the most advantageous for the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the WPCA Operator Leader and Purchasing Agent concur with this purchase;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Council authorize and approve the purchase of one 2005 Chevrolet 3500 Regular Cab Truck with Crane and Utility Body from Don Mallon Chevrolet, Incorporated, 774 West Thames Street, Norwich, Connecticut, for a total price of \$41,725.00 (Forty-One Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty-Five Dollars) for use by the Water Pollution Control Authority, to be purchased with funds from Fiscal Year 2004-2005 budget and prior years reserved funds.

**Deputy Mayor Duarte** moved **Councilor Kindle** seconded a motion to approve **R-04-11-72**.

Dave McCord, Purchasing Agent stated that the PAF has a similar vehicle that needs to be replaced and could be placed up for auction to bridge the gap in the funds budgeted and the lowest bid that came in.

**Motion passed unanimously.**

**R-04-11-73 RESOLUTION THAT THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF IRENE GARAGLIANO, 27 WEST ELDERKIN AVENUE, GROTON, CONNECTICUT, TO SERVE AS A REGULAR MEMBER, BEACH AND PARKS COMMITTEE, TERM TO EXPIRE ON DECEMBER 31, 2005**

**WHEREAS**, a vacancy exists on the Beach and Parks Committee; and

**WHEREAS**, Irene Garagliano, 27 West Elderkin Avenue, Groton, Connecticut has been recommended for appointment and desires to serve as a regular member of the Beach and Parks Committee;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Council approve the appointment of Irene Garagliano, 27 West Elderkin Avenue, Groton, Connecticut, to serve as a regular member, Beach and Parks Committee, term to expire on December 31, 2005.

**Councilor Schick** moved **Councilor Galbraith** seconded a motion to approve **R-04-11-73**. **Motion passed unanimously.**

**R-04-11-74 RESOLUTION THAT THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF ROBERT HAUPTMANN, 560A SHENNECOSSETT ROAD, GROTON, CONNECTICUT, TO SERVE AS AN ALTERNATE MEMBER, EASTERN POINT HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION, TERM TO EXPIRE ON FEBRUARY 1, 2008**

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**WHEREAS**, a vacancy exists on the Eastern Point Historic District Commission; and

**WHEREAS**, Robert Hauptmann, 560A Shennecossett Road, Groton, Connecticut, has been recommended for appointment and desires to serve as an alternate member, Eastern Point Historic District Commission;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Council approve the appointment of Robert Hauptmann, 560A Shennecossett Road, Groton, Connecticut, to serve as an alternate member, Eastern Point Historic District Commission, term to expire on February 1, 2008.

**Councilor Galbraith** moved **Councilor Street** seconded a motion to approve **R-04-11-74. Motion passed unanimously.**

**R-04-11-75 RESOLUTION THAT THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF MARK GRANATOSKY, 30 NORTH PROSPECT STREET, GROTON, CONNECTICUT, TO SERVE AS A REGULAR MEMBER, EASTERN POINT HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION, TERM TO EXPIRE ON FEBRUARY 1, 2009**

**WHEREAS**, a vacancy exists on the Eastern Point Historic District Commission; and

**WHEREAS**, Mark Granatosky, 30 North Prospect Street, Groton, Connecticut, has been recommended for appointment and desires to serve as a regular member, Eastern Point Historic District Commission;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Council approve the appointment of Mark Granatosky, 30 North Prospect Street, Groton, Connecticut, to serve as a regular member, Eastern Point Historic District Commission, term to expire on February 1, 2009.

**Councilor Street** moved **Councilor Galbraith** seconded a motion to approve **R-04-11-75. Motion passed unanimously.**

**R-04-11-76 RESOLUTION THAT THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL APPROVE THE REAPPOINTMENT OF MARY JOHNSON, 165 TYLER AVENUE, GROTON, CONNECTICUT, TO SERVE AS A REGULAR MEMBER, EASTERN POINT HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION, TERM TO EXPIRE ON FEBRUARY 1, 2005**

**WHEREAS**, Ordinance #75, Section 3(e) states, "Appointments shall be made by the Mayor with the approval of the City Council"; and

**WHEREAS**, Mary Johnson's term on the Eastern Point Historic District Commission expired on February 1, 2000, desires to continue to serve, and has been recommended for reappointment;

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**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Council approve the reappointment of Mary Johnson, 165 Tyler Avenue, Groton, Connecticut, to serve as a regular member, Eastern Point Historic District Commission, term to expire on February 1, 2005.

**Councilor Hale** moved **Councilor Kindle** seconded a motion to approve **R-04-11-76**. **Motion passed unanimously.**

**X. POSSIBLE EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None.

**XI. COMMENTS FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None.

**XII. ADJOURNMENT**

**Councilor Kindle** moved **Councilor Hale** seconded a motion to adjourn. **Motion passed unanimously.**

**Mayor Popp adjourned the meeting at 8:25 p.m.**

**ATTEST:**

**APPROVED:**

**Debra Patrick  
City Clerk**