

**CITY OF GROTON
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
MINUTES
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2006**

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

Mayor Popp called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

I. ROLL CALL

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

II. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Led by Mayor Popp.

III. RECOGNITION, AWARDS AND MEMORIALS

Mayor Popp announced the winners of the 2005 Mayor's Holiday Decoration Award's. He thanked all the homeowners who decorated and said it was a difficult decision with so many beautifully decorated homes.

Individual Homes:

Don Baer & Sally Rugh, 50 Broad Street
Frank & Jacqueline Ricci, 276 Eastern Point Road
Bonnie Stanford, 32 Bayberry Lane
Ida Polvarari, 39 Mather Avenue
William & Helen Jablonski, 17 Meech Avenue
Robert & Linda Boss, 32 Round Hill Road
Earl & Nancy Pearson, 140 Allen Street

Street Award:

Smith Street

The Thames Street Business Owner's Association presented awards to the following:

Honorable Mention: Homes

224 Thames Street
285 Thames Street
The Newbury House, 279 Thames Street
The Avery Copp House, 154 Thames Street

Winner:

Sandy D'Esopo, 131 Thames Street

Honorable Mention: Businesses

Paul's Pasta Shop, 223 Thames Street
Vicente's Espresso Café & Catering, 175 Thames Street
Waterfront restaurant, 359 Thames Street
Thames Army Surplus, 221 Thames Street

Winner: Tie

Ken's Tackle Shop, 213 Thames Street
Salt & Light Stitchery, 179 Thames Street

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL
MINUTES
FEBRUARY 6, 2006**

IV. RECEIPT OF CITIZEN'S PETITIONS/COMMENTS

Louise Fabrykiewicz, New London spoke as the Environmental Education Chair of the local chapter of the Sierra Group. She distributed information and spoke addressing concerns with regard to the proposed liquefied natural gas terminal in Long Island Sound. She asked the Council to support opposition of the terminal.

V. RESPOND TO CITIZEN'S PETITIONS/COMMENTS

None.

VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Galbraith moved **Councilor Poppe** seconded a motion to approve the Mayor and Council minutes of January 3, 2006. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Councilor Galbraith moved **Councilor Hale** seconded a motion to approve the Committee of the Whole minutes of January 23, 2006. **Motion passed unanimously.**

VII. COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS

Councilor Hale attended the joint meeting of the Town/City Councils on January 24th where some budgetary issues were discussed and it was agreed that quarterly meetings would be scheduled. On January 29th he attended the concert by Sterling Brass at the Municipal Building. He said it was a good show and a good collaboration for Groton Utilities and the City Recreation Department.

Councilor Poppe attended the joint Town/City Council meeting on January 24th and found it to be eye opening. He attended the concert on January 29th and said it was a great idea for the winter months.

Councilor Galbraith attended the celebration at St. John's Christian Church commemorating the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King on January 15th, the joint meeting on January 24th and the concert on January 29th.

Councilor Duffy had no report.

Deputy Mayor Duarte attended the joint meeting on January 24th and the concert on January 29th. He thanked the City Recreation Department and Groton Utilities and said the café style was very relaxing and the catering by Vicente's Espresso Café was wonderful.

Mayor Popp attended a dinner at the Sub Vet's January 6th with guest speaker John Markowitz who discussed the BRAC decision and the work to save the Submarine Base. He attended the celebration at St. John's Christian Church commemorating the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King on January 15th, the Pioneer Hose Company annual banquet January 21st, a financial workshop with Standard and Poor's in East Hartford on January 23rd, a Business Round Table with the Secretary of the State's office and the joint Town/City Council meeting on January 24th. He attended a CIRMA workshop with Finance Director Tony Timpano and Finance Department employee Pat Perrino on January 26th, the concert on January 29th, a meeting on source water protection at the Operations Building on February 2nd and attended a Council of Government meeting on tax reform on February 3rd.

He announced a meeting with FEMA officials to discuss a preliminary report from the October flood damages at 8:00 a.m. on February 8th and Building Bridges will have a Fire Safety program conducted by Fire Chief Nick Delia on Thursday, February 9th at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL
MINUTES
FEBRUARY 6, 2006**

VIII. COMMITTEE REFERRALS

None.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

R-06-2-8 RESOLUTION THAT THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL AUTHORIZE AND APPROVE THE CITY OF GROTON TO PURCHASE ONE (1) MODEL YEAR 2006 3/4 TON PICK UP TRUCK WITH 4 WHEEL DRIVE FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, TO BE PURCHASED FROM FORD OF BRANFORD, 301 EAST MAIN STREET, BRANFORD, CONNECTICUT, FOR A TOTAL PURCHASE PRICE OF \$19,584.00.00 (NINETEEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED EIGHTY FOUR DOLLARS AND NO CENTS) TO BE PAID FROM CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS

WHEREAS, the Public Works Department identified in the 2006 operating budget the need to purchase one (1) Model Year 2006 pickup truck with 4 wheel drive, to replace the vehicle used by the Public Works Supervisor; and

WHEREAS, the City Purchasing Agent developed specifications based on the Public Works Foreman's requirements; and

WHEREAS, the State of Connecticut has a bid for an appropriate model, and Ford of Branford, 301 East Main Street, Branford, Connecticut, was low bidder; and

WHEREAS, the City Purchasing Agent recommends "Piggy Backing" on the State contract for this purchase; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council authorize and approve the City of Groton to purchase of one (1) Model Year 2006 ¾ ton pickup truck with 4 wheel drive for the Public Works Department, to be purchased from Ford of Branford, 301 East Main Street, Branford, Connecticut, for a total price of \$19,584.00.00 to be paid from Capital Reserve Funds.

Councilor Hale moved **Councilor Galbraith** seconded a motion to approve **R-06-2-8. Motion passed unanimously.**

R-06-2-9 RESOLUTION THAT THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL APPROVE THE REAPPOINTMENT OF KATHLEEN HARRINGTON, 20 LAUREL ROAD, GROTON, CONNECTICUT AS A REGULAR MEMBER, BEACH AND PARKS COMMITTEE, TERM TO EXPIRE ON DECEMBER 31, 2008

WHEREAS, the term of Kathleen Harrington, 20 Laurel Road, Groton, expired on December 31, 2005; and

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL
MINUTES
FEBRUARY 6, 2006**

WHEREAS, Kathleen Harrington, 20 Laurel Road, Groton, has been recommended for reappointment and desires to continue to serve as a regular member of the Beach and Parks Committee;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council approve the reappointment of Kathleen Harrington, 20 Laurel Road, Groton, as a regular member, Beach and Parks Committee, term to expire on December 31, 2008.

Councilor Poppe moved **Councilor Galbraith** seconded a motion to approve **R-06-2-9**.
Motion passed unanimously.

R-06-2-10 RESOLUTION THAT THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL APPROVE THE REAPPOINTMENT OF EDITH WILLIAMS, 12 BRANFORD AVENUE, GROTON, CONNECTICUT AS A REGULAR MEMBER, BEACH AND PARKS COMMITTEE, TERM TO EXPIRE ON DECEMBER 31, 2008

WHEREAS, the term of Edith Williams, 12 Branford Avenue, Groton, expired on December 31, 2005; and

WHEREAS, Edith Williams, 12 Branford Avenue, Groton, has been recommended for reappointment and desires to continue to serve as a regular member of the Beach and Parks Committee;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council approve the reappointment of Edith Williams, 12 Branford Avenue, Groton, as a regular member, Beach and Parks Committee, term to expire on December 31, 2008.

Deputy Mayor Duarte moved **Councilor Galbraith** seconded a motion to approve **R-06-2-10**.
Motion passed unanimously.

R-06-2-11 RESOLUTION THAT THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL APPROVE THE REAPPOINTMENT OF KAREN GRISWOLD, 65 COTTAGE STREET, GROTON, CONNECTICUT AS A REGULAR MEMBER, BEACH AND PARKS COMMITTEE, TERM TO EXPIRE ON DECEMBER 31, 2008

WHEREAS, the term of Karen Griswold, 65 Cottage Street, Groton, expired on December 31, 2005; and

WHEREAS, Karen Griswold, 65 Cottage Street, Groton, has been recommended for reappointment and desires to continue to serve as a regular member of the Beach and Parks Committee;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council approve the reappointment of Karen Griswold, 65 Cottage Street, Groton, as a regular member, Beach and Parks Committee, term to expire on December 31, 2008.

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL
MINUTES
FEBRUARY 6, 2006**

Councilor Duffy moved **Councilor Galbraith** seconded a motion to approve **R-06-2-11**.
Motion passed unanimously.

R-06-2-12 RESOLUTION THAT THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL APPROVE THE REAPPOINTMENT OF MARY L. JOHNSON, 165 TYLER AVENUE, GROTON, CONNECTICUT, AS A REGULAR MEMBER, EASTERN POINT HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION, TERM TO EXPIRE ON FEBRUARY 1, 2010

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

WHEREAS, Mary L. Johnson's term on the Eastern Point Historic District Commission expired on February 1, 2005; and

WHEREAS, Mary L. Johnson, 165 Tyler Avenue, Groton, Connecticut, has been recommended for reappointment and desires to continue to serve;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council approve the reappointment of Mary L. Johnson, 165 Tyler Avenue, Groton, Connecticut as a regular member, Eastern Point Historic District Commission, term to expire on February 1, 2010.

Councilor Galbraith moved **Deputy Mayor Duarte** seconded a motion to approve **R-06-2-12**.
Motion passed unanimously.

R-06-2-13 RESOLUTION THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE THE REAPPOINTMENT OF ROBERT AUSTIN-LAFRANCE, 207 PLANT STREET, GROTON, CONNECTICUT, AS A REGULAR MEMBER, HARBOR MANAGEMENT COMMISSION, TERM TO EXPIRE ON APRIL 5, 2009

WHEREAS, Ordinance #56, Section 5 states "As each of the terms of the regular and alternate members shall expire, the City Council shall appoint a successor for a term of five (5) years to fill the vacant position"; and

WHEREAS, Robert Austin-LaFrance, 207 Plant Street, Groton, Connecticut term expired on April 5, 2004 and he desires to continue to serve as a regular member of the Harbor Management Commission;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council approve the reappointment of Robert Austin-LaFrance, 207 Plant Street, Groton, Connecticut, as a regular member of the Harbor Management Commission, term to expire on April 5, 2009.

Councilor Hale moved **Councilor Galbraith** seconded a motion to approve **R-06-2-13**.
Motion passed unanimously.

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL
MINUTES
FEBRUARY 6, 2006**

R-06-2-14 RESOLUTION THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE THE REAPPOINTMENT OF PETER R. HEWES, 240 SHORE AVENUE, GROTON, CONNECTICUT, AS A REGULAR MEMBER, HARBOR MANAGEMENT COMMISSION, TERM TO EXPIRE ON APRIL 5, 2010

WHEREAS, Ordinance #56, Section 5 states “As each of the terms of the regular and alternate members shall expire, the City Council shall appoint a successor for a term of five (5) years to fill the vacant position”; and

WHEREAS, Peter R. Hewes, 240 Shore Avenue, Groton, Connecticut term expired on April 5, 2005 and he desires to continue to serve as a regular member of the Harbor Management Commission;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council approve the reappointment of Peter R. Hewes, 240 Shore Avenue, Groton, Connecticut, as a regular member of the Harbor Management Commission, term to expire on April 5, 2010.

Councilor Poppe moved **Councilor Duffy** seconded a motion to approve **R-06-2-14. Motion passed unanimously.**

R-06-2-15 RESOLUTION THAT THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL APPROVE THE REAPPOINTMENT OF DAVID COLEMAN, 20 LAUREL ROAD, GROTON, CONNECTICUT, AS A REGULAR MEMBER, PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION, TERM TO EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2008

WHEREAS, State Statutes Planning and Zoning, Section 8-1 and Ordinance #41 states, “Appointments shall be made by the Mayor with the approval of the City Council”; and

WHEREAS, the term for David Coleman, 20 Laurel Road, Groton, Connecticut as a regular member of the Planning and Zoning Commission expired on June 30, 2005; and

WHEREAS, David Coleman has been recommended for reappointment and desires to continue to serve on the Planning and Zoning Commission;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council approve the reappointment of David Coleman, 20 Laurel Road, Groton, Connecticut, as a regular member, Planning and Zoning Commission, term to expire on June 30, 2008.

Deputy Mayor Duarte moved **Councilor Poppe** seconded a motion to approve **R-06-2-15. Motion passed unanimously.**

R-06-2-16 RESOLUTION THAT THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL APPROVE THE REAPPOINTMENT OF MICHAEL B. COLLINS, 45 ELDERKIN AVENUE, GROTON, CONNECTICUT, AS A REGULAR MEMBER, PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION, TERM TO EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2008

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL
MINUTES
FEBRUARY 6, 2006**

WHEREAS, State Statutes Planning and Zoning, Section 8-1 and Ordinance #41 states, “Appointments shall be made by the Mayor with the approval of the City Council”; and

WHEREAS, the term for Michael B. Collins, 45 Elderkin Avenue, Groton, Connecticut as a regular member of the Planning and Zoning Commission expired on June 30, 2005; and

WHEREAS, Michael B. Collins has been recommended for reappointment and desires to continue to serve on the Planning and Zoning Commission;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council approve the reappointment of Michael B. Collins, 45 Elderkin Avenue, Groton, Connecticut, as a regular member, Planning and Zoning Commission, term to expire on June 30, 2008.

Councilor Duffy moved **Councilor Galbraith** seconded a motion to approve **R-06-2-16**.
Motion passed unanimously.

R-06-2-17 RESOLUTION THAT THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL APPROVE THE REAPPOINTMENT OF MARION E. ORKNEY, 10 CIRCLE AVENUE, GROTON, CONNECTICUT, AS A REGULAR MEMBER, PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION, TERM TO EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2008

WHEREAS, State Statutes Planning and Zoning, Section 8-1 and Ordinance #41 states, “Appointments shall be made by the Mayor with the approval of the City Council”; and

WHEREAS, the term for Marion E. Orkney, 10 Circle Avenue, Groton, Connecticut as a regular member of the Planning and Zoning Commission expired on June 30, 2005; and

WHEREAS, Marion E. Orkney has been recommended for reappointment and desires to continue to serve on the Planning and Zoning Commission;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council approve the reappointment of Marion E. Orkney, 10 Circle Avenue, Groton, Connecticut, as a regular member, Planning and Zoning Commission, term to expire on June 30, 2008.

Councilor Galbraith moved **Councilor Duffy** seconded a motion to approve **R-06-2-17**.
Motion passed unanimously.

R-06-2-18 RESOLUTION THAT THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF DIANA KAZOLIAS, 380-15 MERIDIAN STREET, GROTON, CONNECTICUT, AS AN ALTERNATE MEMBER, PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION, TERM TO EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2007

WHEREAS, State Statutes Planning and Zoning, Section 8-1 and Ordinance #41 states, “Appointments shall be made by the Mayor with the approval of the City Council”; and

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL
MINUTES
FEBRUARY 6, 2006**

WHEREAS, a vacancy exists for an alternate member to the Planning and Zoning Commission; and

WHEREAS, Diana Kazolias, 380-15 Meridian Street, Groton, Connecticut, desires to serve on the Planning and Zoning Commission and has been recommended for appointment;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council approve the appointment of Diana Kazolias, 380-15 Meridian Street, Groton, Connecticut, as an alternate member, Planning and Zoning Commission, term to expire on June 30, 2007.

Councilor Hale moved **Deputy Mayor Duarte** seconded a motion to approve **R-06-2-18**.
Motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Popp thanked the volunteers for their service to the City of Groton by sitting on the various commissions.

R-06-2-19 RESOLUTION THAT THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL ACCEPT THE LETTER OF INTENT TO RETIRE FROM SERGEANT JAMES J. MURRAY, EFFECTIVE JUNE 2, 2006

WHEREAS, Sergeant James J. Murray will have attained the age and length of service requirements necessary to formally retire from the City of Groton Police Department on May 4, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Connecticut Independent Police Union, Local #8 Collective Bargaining Agreement currently states that an individual may retire on a Normal Pension on the first day of any month after he has attained his Normal Retirement Date;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council accept the letter of intent to retire from Sergeant James J. Murray, effective June 2, 2006.

Councilor Poppe moved **Councilor Galbraith** seconded a motion to approve **R-06-2-19**.
Mayor Popp explained that as the hiring authority for Fire and Police personnel it would be appropriate for them to also accept letters of resignation and retirement.
Motion passed unanimously.

R-06-2-20 RESOLUTION THAT THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL AUTHORIZE MANAGEMENT TO RETAIN THE LOBBYING SERVICES OF AVALLONE, DIBELLA AND ASSOCIATES, LLC, ONE TALCOTT PLAZA, SUITE 500, HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT, FOR LOBBYING SERVICES PERTAINING TO ELECTRIC, WATER, OR GAS SERVICES AND ANY OTHER UTILITY MATTERS AS NECESSARY NOT TO EXCEED ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS AND NO CENTS (\$100,000.00), AND THAT MAYOR DENNIS L. POPP BE AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL
MINUTES
FEBRUARY 6, 2006**

WHEREAS, constant monitoring of legislation and lobbying efforts are needed to assure that proper legislation pertaining to electric, water, or gas services is approved by the State Legislature; and

WHEREAS, Management was authorized by the Utility Commission and the City Council to retain the lobbying firm of Avallone, DiBella and Associates, LLC for these services in January, 2001; February, 2003; and again in January, 2005; and

WHEREAS, in addition to lobbying services, this firm also provided other services, which included the successful amendment to Statute 7-233ii of the Connecticut General Statutes that allowed Groton Utilities to form a C-Corp resulting in the formation of Thames Valley Communications, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, in order to provide continuing lobbying services, it is prudent to enter into a new agreement with Avallone, DiBella and Associates, LLC for lobbying services; and

WHEREAS, the agreement fee has not increased in three years;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council authorize Management to retain the lobbying services of Avallone, DiBella and Associates, LLC, One Talcott Plaza, Suite 500, Hartford, Connecticut, or lobbying services pertaining to electric, water, or gas services and any other utility matters as necessary not to exceed One Hundred Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$100,000.00), and that Mayor Dennis L. Popp be authorized to execute the agreement.

Deputy Mayor Duarte moved **Councilor Galbraith** seconded a motion to approve **R-06-2-20**. Mayor Popp said this is the same lobbying group hired the past 3 years. They have done a good job and provide a unique service with no increase in fees.

Motion passed unanimously.

R-06-2-21 RESOLUTION THAT THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL AUTHORIZE GROTON UTILITIES MANAGEMENT TO EXTEND THE CONTRACT WITH HALPIN LINE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INCORPORATED, 170 MOORE ROAD, WEYMOUTH, MASSACHUSETTS, AT A TOTAL COST NOT TO EXCEED TWO HUNDRED TWENTY THOUSAND, EIGHT HUNDRED FIFTY-SEVEN DOLLARS AND TWENTY CENTS (\$220,857.20) BASED ON A FORTY-HOUR WEEK TO BE PAID FROM FUNDS PROVIDED FOR IN VARIOUS PREVIOUSLY APPROVED ELECTRIC BOND FUNDS, NON-BONDED CAPITAL, AND OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE EXPENSE

WHEREAS, in order to complete four approved Electric Bond Fund Projects, Groton Utilities Management recommends extending the current contract with Halpin Line Construction Company, Incorporated, of Weymouth, Massachusetts; and

WHEREAS, Halpin Line Construction Company, Incorporated has agreed not to increase labor and equipment costs and will abide by the 2005 contract; and

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL
MINUTES
FEBRUARY 6, 2006**

WHEREAS, Halpin Line Construction Company, Incorporated will work on the following projects in the year 2006:

310 Line – construction of a third feeder to Electric Boat

308 Line – reconductor the overhead/underground circuit from Poquonnock Road Substation to Eastern Point Road Substation

304/309 Lines – reconductor the two lines from Buddington Substation to Poquonnock River Substation, which includes crossing Route 95

300/305 Lines – rebuild both lines from Buddington Substation to Trails Corner Substation; and

WHEREAS, all Bond Fund projects are designed to increase reliability by retiring aging equipment and increasing capacity by reconductoring with larger conductors; and

WHEREAS, in the year 2006, Groton Utilities Line Crews are scheduled to install the new underground distribution system at Dolphin Gardens, Gungywamp Road North, and Cherry Circle as part of the Navy Base Housing Project; and

WHEREAS, Groton Utilities Line Crews will continue work on the Voltage Conversion Project and completing various maintenance procedures as stated in the new Preventive Maintenance Program;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council authorize Groton Utilities Management to extend the contract with Halpin Line Construction Company, Incorporated, 170 Moore Road, Weymouth, Massachusetts, at a total cost not to exceed Two Hundred Twenty Thousand, Eight Hundred Fifty-Seven Dollars And Twenty Cents (\$220,857.20) based on a forty-hour week to be paid from funds provided for in various previously approved Electric Bond Funds, Non-Bonded Capital, and Operations and Maintenance Expense.

Councilor Duffy moved **Councilor Hale** seconded a motion to approve **R-06-2-21**.

Brian Roche, General Manager, Electric Division addressed the Council with his request to extend the agreement with Halpin Line Construction to complete projects. He said it is more cost efficient and will allow for the work to be completed in a timely manner. Due to relief efforts in the Gulf Cost Halpin Line Construction returned to the area in December.

Motion passed unanimously.

R-06-2-22 RESOLUTION THAT THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL APPROVE THE AWARD FOR AUDITING SERVICES FOR FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2005 TO JUNE 30, 2006 TO KOSTIN, RUFFKESS AND COMPANY, LLC, 76 BATTERSON PARK ROAD, FARMINGTON, CONNECTICUT, TO BE PAID FROM CITY, ELECTRIC AND WATER GENERAL FUNDS

WHEREAS, the Mayor, with the approval of the City Council, appoints an auditor for each year;

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL
MINUTES
FEBRUARY 6, 2006**

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council approve the award for auditing services for Fiscal Year July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2006 to Kostin, Ruffkess and Company, LLC, 76 Batterson Park Road, Farmington, Connecticut to be paid from City, Electric and Water General Funds.

Councilor Galbraith moved **Deputy mayor Duarte** seconded a motion to approve **R-06-2-22**. Mayor Popp said this is the final year of the 3 year contract and **Motion passed unanimously**.

X. POSSIBLE EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilor Poppe moved **Councilor Galbraith** seconded a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss real estate transactions to include Tony Timpano. **Motion passed unanimously**.

Executive session commenced at 8:13 p.m.

Councilor Duffy moved **Councilor Galbraith** seconded a motion to exit Executive Session. **Motion passed unanimously**.

Executive session ended at 8:20 p.m.

XI. COMMENTS FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Hale moved **Deputy Mayor Duarte** seconded a motion to adjourn. **Motion passed unanimously**.

Mayor Popp adjourned the meeting at 8:21 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

**Debra Patrick
City Clerk**