

**CITY OF GROTON  
MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
MINUTES  
TUESDAY, JULY 5, 2011**

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

**Mayor Galbraith called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m.**

**I. ROLL CALL**

Present: Mayor Marian Galbraith, Deputy Mayor Celeste Duffy, Councilors David Hale, Keith Hedrick, Lawrence Gerrish, Amy Moncy, William Jervis, Treasurer Janice Waller-Brett, Finance Director Michael Hillsberg and City Clerk Debra Patrick.

**II. SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

Led by Mayor Galbraith.

**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 Gerrish** moved **Councilor Hale** seconded a motion to approve the June 20, 2011 Mayor and Council minutes. **Motion carried.**

**Councilor Hale** moved **Councilor Jervis** seconded a motion to approve the June 27, 2011 Special Committee of the Whole minutes. **Motion carried.**

**VII. COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS**

**Councilor Hale** participated in the July 4<sup>th</sup> parade and said it was nice to see former Mayor Popp honored as Grand Marshall. He said he plans to attend the concert at Washington Park this coming Friday night. He said the Cartells are a great band to dance to.

**Councilor Hedrick** participated in the July 4<sup>th</sup> parade and visited the community gardens at the Bill Memorial Library and TVCCA. He said there are plots available to the public and specific plots in those gardens dedicated to donation of crops to the local food banks and churches who prepare meals. He said they are organic and encouraged residents to participate.

**Councilor Jervis** participated in the July 4<sup>th</sup> parade and attended the employee recognition breakfast on June 29<sup>th</sup>.

**Councilor Moncy** participated in the July 4<sup>th</sup> parade and said it was great to see families out and enjoying the day.

**Councilor Gerrish** participated in the July 4<sup>th</sup> parade, he attended and enjoyed the employee breakfast as a retiree.

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**Deputy Mayor Duffy** had the pleasure of representing Mayor Galbraith on June 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Wounded Warrior dinner at the Groton Elk's. She thanked the Groton Elks for providing a place for this event and giving the participants a place to gather for such an important recognition. She said it was an honor to be able to meet and speak with these individuals who have done so much. She also participated in the July 4<sup>th</sup> parade.

**Clerk Patrick** attended the ceremony conducted by the Submarine Veterans for the Wounded Warriors on June 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Municipal Building. She said it was quite moving listening to the speakers, particularly the keynote speaker, Captain Bruce Derenski, who spoke of his tour in Iraq. She participated in the parade July 4<sup>th</sup>.

**Treasurer Waller-Brett** participated in the July 4<sup>th</sup> parade.

**Finance Director Hillsberg** said they have just completed one fiscal year and are beginning another.

**Mayor Galbraith** thanked Deputy Mayor Duffy for filling in for her during the Mayor & Council meeting and at the Elks. She thanked Herb Cummings and Len Mediavilla for all of their guidance while they all attended the APPA Conference in Washington, DC. She learned a lot and will continue to do so. She will attend an event for the American Red Cross where the City will be given a proclamation from the Governor for hosting blood drives here at the municipal building. She handed out employee awards at the quarterly breakfast June 29<sup>th</sup> and still has a few left to give to those who weren't present. She attended the unveiling of the stone marker at Fort Griswold on June 28<sup>th</sup>, the Dick Campo Big Band concert at Washington Park June 29<sup>th</sup> and participated in the July 4<sup>th</sup> parade. She reported that she has begun some job shadowing and spent the morning, 6:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m., working with the sanitation crew on truck #9. She said she has a newfound appreciation for residents who package their trash properly. She said she worked with driver Tom Ivory and summer employees Chris Chapman and Nick Mugavero. She said she also had the opportunity to work with the newest Highway Department employee Mason Benoit. She said they have a difficult job and they do it well, with pride and a good attitude. She said she will be at the PAF, riding with the Police Department and working with Parks and Recreation next week. She reminded the Councilors that they will be touring the WPCA and the Water/Electric Operation Complex July 12<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m. She reminded them of the Art on Groton Bank July 16<sup>th</sup>. Deputy Mayor Duffy said the Parks & Recreation group is looking forward to the Mayor working with them.

**VIII. COMMITTEE REFERRALS**

None.

**IX. NEW BUSINESS**

**R-11-7-44 RESOLUTION THAT THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL APPROVE THE REAPPOINTMENT OF BARBARA GERRISH, 5 ROUND HILL ROAD, GROTON, CONNECTICUT TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE LEDGELIGHT HEALTH DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS TERM TO EXPIRE ON NOVEMBER 10, 2013**

**WHEREAS**, Ordinance #84, amended by Ordinance #86 created the Ledge Light District Department of Health; and

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**WHEREAS**, this Board consists of one (1) member from the City of Groton to serve for a period of three years; and

**WHEREAS**, Barbara Gerrish desires to continue to serve and has been recommended for reappointment to serve as a regular member, representative of the City of Groton, on the Ledge Light Health District Board of Directors;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Council approve the reappointment of Barbara Gerrish, 5 Round Hill Road, Groton, Connecticut to serve as a member of the Ledge Light Health District Board of Directors term to expire on November 10, 2010.

**Councilor Hale** moved **Deputy Mayor Duffy** seconded a motion to approve **R-11-7-44**.  
**Motion carried.**

**R-11-7-45 RESOLUTION TO THAT THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF MARY JOHNSON, 165 TYLER AVENUE, GROTON, CONNECTICUT, AS AN ALTERNATE MEMBER, EASTERN POINT HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION, TERM TO EXPIRE ON FEBRUARY 1, 2014**

**WHEREAS**, a vacancy exists as an alternate member, Eastern Point Historic District Commission; and

**WHEREAS**, Mary Johnson, 165 Tyler Avenue, Groton, Connecticut, 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 Mary Johnson, 165 Tyler Avenue, Groton, Connecticut as an alternate member, Eastern Point Historic District Commission, term to expire on February 1, 2014.

**Councilor Hedrick** moved **Councilor Hale** seconded a motion to approve **R-11-7-45**.  
**Motion carried.**

**R-11-7-46 RESOLUTION THAT THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF DAVID TORGERSON, 30 HILLSIDE AVENUE, GROTON, CONNECTICUT, AS A REGULAR MEMBER, EASTERN POINT HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION, TERM TO EXPIRE ON FEBRUARY 1, 2015**

**WHEREAS**, a vacancy exists as a regular member, Eastern Point Historic District Commission; and

**WHEREAS**, David Torgerson, 30 Hillside Avenue, Groton, Connecticut, desires to serve as a regular member, Eastern Point Historic District Commission;

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**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Council approve the appointment of David Torgerson, 30 Hillside Avenue, Groton, Connecticut as a regular member, Eastern Point Historic District Commission, term to expire on February 1, 2015.

**Deputy Mayor Duffy** moved **Councilor Gerrish** seconded a motion to approve **R-11-7-46**. Councilor Hale thanked them for their willingness to serve and said because of volunteers like them the City is a great place to live.

Mayor Galbraith and the other Councilors all agreed.

**Motion carried.**

**R-11-7-47 RESOLUTION THAT THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL APPROVE THE  
FORMATION OF A CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Groton Charter has not been revised since May 4, 1987; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor requested a Charter Revision Commission be formed;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, pursuant to Connecticut General State Statutes Section 7-190(a), that the Mayor and Council approve the formation of a nine member Charter Revision Commission and appointments be made to the Commission within thirty (30) days.

**Councilor Gerrish** moved **Councilor Hale** seconded a motion to approve **R-11-7-47**.

**Motion carried.**

**R-11-7-48 RESOLUTION THAT THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL APPOINT  
INDIVIDUALS TO THE CITY OF GROTON CHARTER REVISION  
COMMISSION AND THAT THE MEMBERS OF THIS COMMISSION BE  
SO ADVISED**

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Council, approved Resolution R-11-7-47 forming a Charter Revision Commission; and

**WHEREAS**, the following concerned electors of the City of Groton have consented to be members of this Charter Revision Commission and are to be guided by the Connecticut General Statutes, Section 7-198 in the performance of their duties:

Chair, Shirley Dunbar-Rose (D), 75 Baker Avenue  
William Blaisdell (D), 88 Shennecossett Parkway  
Mary Kelly (D), 40 Plant Street  
Lisa Luck (D), 368 Thames Street  
Eugenia Fafard (U), 53 Westwood Drive  
Frank Jennette (U), 142 Benham Road  
Peter Berns (R), 16 Pleasant Street  
Andrew Lavery (R), 210 Poquonnock Road  
Robert Zuliani (R), 23 Cushman Avenue

**WHEREAS**, the individuals live in the City of Groton;

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**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Council appoint the above individuals to serve on the City of Groton Charter Revision Commission and that the members of this Commission be so advised.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Charter Revision Commission shall issue its draft report no later than May 21, 2012.

**Councilor Money** moved **Deputy Mayor Duffy** seconded a motion to approve **R-11-7-48**.

Councilor Hale thanked them and said there is a lot of work to do.

**Motion carried.**

**R-11-7-49 RESOLUTION THAT THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL ACCEPT AND APPROVE A GRANT AWARD FROM THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION 2011 CONNECTICUT CLEAN FUEL PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT OF EIGHTY-THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND NO CENTS (\$83,000.00) TO OFFSET THE COSTS OF THE PURCHASE OF TWO (2) FORD ESCAPE HYBRID ELECTRIC VEHICLES AND ONE (1) INTERNATIONAL/TEREX TELECT MATERIAL HANDLING AERIAL DEVICE HYBRID DIESEL ELECTRIC TRUCK AND THAT MAYOR MARIAN K. GALBRAITH BE AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE SAID AGREEMENT**

**WHEREAS**, the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation has allocated funds in accordance with 2011 Connecticut Clean Fuel Program to offset costs associated with the purchase of Hybrid Electric vehicles; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Groton, Department of Utilities budgeted funds in the proposed Fiscal Year 2011-2012 budget for the purchase of two (2) Ford Escape 4WD vehicles and one (1) International/Terex Telect Material Handling Aerial Device Hybrid Diesel Electric Truck; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2011 Connecticut Clean Fuel Program will reimburse the City of Groton for the purchase of the Hybrid Electric version of these vehicles at a cost of \$9,000.00 (Nine Thousand Dollars and No Cents) for each of the two (62) Ford Escape 4WD Hybrid Electric vehicles and \$65,000 (Sixty-Five Thousand Dollars and No Cents) for the one (1) International/Terex Telect Material Handling Aerial Device Hybrid Diesel Electric Truck;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Council accept and approve a grant award from the State of Connecticut, Department of Transportation 2011 Connecticut Clean Fuel Program in the amount of Eighty-Three Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$83,000.00) to offset the costs of the purchase of two (2) Ford Escape Hybrid Electric Vehicles and one (1) International/Terex Telect Material Handling Aerial Device Hybrid Diesel Electric Truck and that Mayor Marian K. Galbraith be authorized to execute said agreement.

**Councilor Jervis** moved **Councilor Gerrish** seconded a motion to approve **R-11-7-49**.

General Manager, Electric Division, Herb Cummings provided some background information and answered questions.

**Motion carried.**

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**R-11-7-50 RESOLUTION THAT THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL APPROVE THE PURCHASE ONE (1) DIGGER DERRICK TRUCK FROM ALTEC INDUSTRIES, INCORPORATED, 250 LIARD STREET, PLAINS, PENNSYLVANIA IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-ONE THOUSAND, SIX HUNDRED EIGHTY-SIX DOLLARS AND NO CENTS (\$151,686.00) TO BE PAID FROM FUNDS AVAILABLE IN THE APPROVED FISCAL YEAR 2010-2011 ELECTRIC DIVISION VEHICLE REPLACEMENT PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with Groton Utilities' Electric Division Vehicle Replacement Program, Management solicited bids for the purchase of a new Digger Derrick truck to replace the current 2000 Chevy truck; and

**WHEREAS**, based on the evaluation of the bids and the approved budget amount of \$175,000, Groton Utilities Management recommended purchasing the Digger Derrick from Altec Industries, Incorporated; and

**WHEREAS**, at its special meeting held on June 29, 2011 the City of Groton Utilities Commission voted to authorize Groton Utilities management to purchase one (1) Digger Derrick truck from Altec Industries, Incorporated, 250 Liard Street, Plains, Pennsylvania in an amount not to exceed One Hundred Fifty-One Thousand, Six Hundred Eighty Six Dollars and No Cents (\$151,686.00) to be paid from funds available in the approved fiscal year 2010-2011 Electric Division Vehicle Replacement Program;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Council approve the purchase one (1) Digger Derrick truck from Altec Industries, Incorporated, 250 Liard Street, Plains, Pennsylvania in an amount not to exceed One Hundred Fifty-One Thousand, Six Hundred Eighty Six Dollars and No Cents (\$151,686.00) to be paid from funds available in the approved fiscal year 2010-2011 Electric Division Vehicle Replacement Program.

**Councilor Hale** moved **Councilor Hedrick** seconded a motion to approve **R-11-7-50**. Mr. Cummings said this will replace an 11 year old truck that has had equipment failures. He gave them some information regarding the bids and the recommendation is to go with Altec Industries as they met all the specifications and had the best price.

**Motion carried.**

**R-11-7-51 RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE RULES OF PROCEDURE TO GOVERN THE CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF GROTON, GROTON, CONNECTICUT**

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and City Council have reviewed and updated the following rules of procedure to govern the City Council, City of Groton, Groton, Connecticut:

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**RULES OF PROCEDURE TO GOVERN CITY COUNCIL  
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**RULE 1. INCORPORATION OF CHARTER PROVISIONS**

All requirements of the Charter of the City of Groton (“the Charter”) with respect to the proceedings of the Mayor and Council are to be strictly followed, and no rules shall be adopted by the Mayor and Council, which shall be in conflict with any Charter requirement respecting such proceedings. These rules are intended to implement the provisions of the Charter and provide procedures on questions of order not addressed by the Charter.

**RULE 2. MAYORAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES AND TEMPORARY VACANCY OF POSITION**

- a. The Mayor shall preside at all meetings of the Council, and, at the stated hour and upon the appearance of a quorum, shall call the Councilors to order.
- b. In the absence of a quorum, the Mayor shall declare the meeting adjourned to a future date. Prior to adjourning for lack of a quorum, the Mayor may declare a recess for a period not to exceed thirty (30) minutes to obtain a quorum. In the absence of the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor will assume all duties of Mayor. In the absence of the Mayor and all other Councilors, the City Clerk shall declare the meeting adjourned to a future date and make such a record in the Journal of the Council.
- c. It shall be the duty of the Mayor to preserve order and require procedure in accordance with the rules, to recognize and grant the floor to Councilors wishing to speak and to declare all votes. When a voice vote is apparently not unanimous, or upon the request of any Councilor, the vote of each member shall be recorded. If any doubt exists, the City Clerk shall so state and a roll call vote shall be held. In accordance with Article III, Section 5 of the Charter, five members including the Mayor shall constitute a quorum. No vote shall be adopted except on the approval of a majority of the full Council or four (4) Councilors.
- d. The Mayor may speak on any question and shall decide questions of order. Any Councilor may appeal a decision by the Mayor on questions of order, such appeals being decided by the rules committee, such committee made up of three Councilors appointed by the Mayor, which shall be bound to decide such questions on the basis of (in order of precedence): City Charter, the Rules of the Council and Robert’s Rules of Order. The Council may be recessed for the purposes of the appeal being discussed by the rules committee and no other business shall be in order until the appeal is decided.
- e. “Robert’s Rules of Order” as in effect on date of adoption of these rules, shall govern questions of order and procedure in cases not provided for in these rules.

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- f. The Mayor shall be a non-voting member ex-officio of all committees.
- g. Council business requiring Committee action shall be referred to a Committee by the Mayor at each regular meeting, and between sessions of Council, if necessary, in which case said referrals shall be announced at the next regular session.

**RULE 3. ORDER OF BUSINESS AND AGENDA**

Unless altered by vote of the Council upon special occasions, the regular order of business shall be as follows:

- a. Roll Call
- b. Salute to the Flag
- c. Recognition, Awards and Memorials
- d. Receipt of Citizen's Petitions/Comments
- e. Respond to Citizen's Petitions/Comments
- f. Approval of Minutes
- g. Communications and Reports
  - (1) City Council Members
  - (2) City Clerk
  - (3) City Mayor
  - (4) City Treasurer
  - (5) City Finance Director
  - (6) City Attorney
- h. Committee Referrals
- i. New Business
- j. Adjournment

Agenda – Items shall be placed on the Agenda of regular City Council meetings in the following ways:

- (a) When reported from a Committee with approval recommended by a majority of the whole committee.
- (b) When requested by the Mayor or a majority of the Council prior to a regular council meeting.

Action on any other items shall require suspension of the rules in accordance with Rule 12d.

**RULE 4. RULES OF ORDER – MOTIONS**

- a. Motions shall be reduced to writing when requested by the Mayor, any Councilor or the City Clerk. Any motion may be withdrawn by the mover before amendment or decision.
- b. Any motion or question under debate that consists of two or more independent propositions, shall be divided, if so directed by the Mayor, or if requested by any councilor.

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**RULE 5. RULES OF ORDER – PRECEDENCE**

Robert’s Rules of Order shall be followed:

- Fix time to adjourn
- Adjourn
- Recess
- Raise a question of privilege
- Call for orders of the day
- Lay on the table
- Previous question
- Limit or extend debate
- Postpone to a certain time or postpone definitely
- Commit or refer
- Amend
- Postpone indefinitely
- Main motion

**RULE 6. RULES OF ORDER - RECONSIDERATION**

- a. After a vote has been taken, it shall be in order for any Councilor who was in the prevailing vote to move for reconsideration, during the meeting, or during the next succeeding regular meeting. However, any vote which has caused an action which cannot be reversed shall not be reconsidered.
- b. Motions to reconsider votes to refer any matter to a Committee shall be in order only during the meeting that voted the reference.

**RULE 7. STANDING COMMITTEES**

- a. There shall be the following standing committees of the Council:

Finance	Economic & Community Development
Public Safety	Environment and Health
Public Works	Parks and Recreation
Committee of the Whole	

The above standing committees, except the Committee of the Whole and Rules Committee shall be arranged in two groups of three each at the discretion of the Mayor.

- b. The Mayor shall appoint members of the Council to such standing committees and shall designate the chairperson of each.
- c. The Mayor will refer items to a committee.

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- d. Upon the request of a Councilor, the Mayor, or a majority of Councilors (4), shall refer matters to a committee at least once prior to Council action.
- e. The Mayor may appoint such other committees as from time to time he may deem appropriate.

**RULE 8.      RULES OF ORDER – CONDUCT OF DEBATE**

Robert's Rules of Order shall be followed if not inconsistent with the City Charter or these rules.

**RULE 9.      COMMITTEE OPERATIONS**

- a. All Councilors shall be given forty-eight (48) hours notice of a committee meeting.
- b. A majority of committee membership shall constitute a quorum.
- c. Each committee shall consider matters referred to it by the Mayor and shall report to the Council, in writing, relative to all such matters.
- d. Committee reports shall contain the date and place of meeting, the names of members present and those absent, the fact that a quorum was or was not present and a record of any votes taken. A summary of discussion will also be included.
- e. Chairpersons will cause to be submitted resolutions or ordinances when necessary to carry out their recommendations.
- f. Only resolutions or ordinances, the substance of which has been voted on favorably by a majority of the whole committee, shall be reported to the Council for action.
- g. Any subject matter referred to a standing committee, other than Committee of the Whole, which will result in a proposed ordinance, shall, after adequate discussion not to exceed sixty days, be referred to the Committee of the Whole.
- h. In the absence of a Committee Chairperson, a Chairperson, Pro Tempore, may be designated by the remaining Committee members.
- i. All matters to be deleted from the referral list must be moved, seconded and voted on, and will be reported to the Council in writing with accompanying information and recommendations.
- j. The Committee of the Whole Council shall meet to act on items referred to it by means of tie votes in any other Committee, items which will result in a proposed ordinance, where there is agreement between cognizant committee chairpersons and the Mayor on major items and/or items of importance to all Councilors. The Committee of the Whole Council shall be chaired by the Mayor, or in the Mayor's absence, by the Deputy Mayor, or in the Deputy Mayor's absence, a temporary chairperson elected by the members for that purpose.

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**RULE 10. CLERK OF THE COUNCIL**

The Clerk shall be the custodian of all the papers, correspondence, and records of the Council, and shall keep the Journal of its proceedings, which shall record votes passed by the Council and such further details of the proceedings of the Council as may be approved by majority vote. In the absence of the City Clerk, the Mayor shall appoint a Clerk Pro Tempore to keep the minutes of the meeting and to file same in the office of the City Clerk. This position will normally be filled by the City Clerk.

**RULE 11. CITIZEN'S PETITIONS**

a. Rule 3, Items c. and d. shall provide for Memorials, Citizen's Petitions/Comments according to State Statute. A citizen's call may be presented orally or in writing. All presentations by citizens under this rule shall be limited to a ten (10) minute period unless otherwise indicated by a majority vote of the Council.

b. Citizen's petitions shall be accepted as presented. There shall be no questions or cross-examination by members of the Council, except for questions necessary to clarify the citizen's intent.

**RULE 12. CHANGES TO THE RULES OF COUNCIL**

a. The Rules of the Council, excepting Rule 1, may be altered, extended, or repealed by a majority vote of all six (6) of the Councilors at a regular meeting of the Council, provided descriptive notice of the proposed changes shall have been given in writing at a preceding regular meeting.

b. Emergency or Special Meetings of the City Council may be called by the Mayor. Emergency or Special Meetings of the City Council shall be called by the City Clerk at the written request of three (3) Council members, pursuant to the Charter.

c. All citizens' inquiries, questions and petitions shall be acknowledged by the Mayor, Committee members or by the administration on their behalf.

d. These rules may be suspended in whole or in part by a majority of the members of the Council present and voting, but no less than four councilors.

These Rules of Procedure were adopted at a meeting of the City Council held on July 5, 2011.

Mayor Marian K. Galbraith  
Deputy Mayor Celeste Duffy  
Councilor Lawrence Gerrish  
Councilor David Hale  
Councilor Keith Hedrick  
Councilor William Jervis  
Councilor Amy Moncy

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**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Council adopt the Rules of Procedure to Govern the City Council, City of Groton, Groton, Connecticut.

**Councilor Hedrick** moved **Councilor** seconded a motion to approve **R-11-7-51**.

Mayor Galbraith said there was a minor change in Rule 7 that would allow them to make some changes to the standing committees as needed as was discussed at the June 27<sup>th</sup> Committee of the Whole meeting.

**Motion carried.**

**R-11-7-52 RESOLUTION THAT THE THAMES STREET/BRIDGE STREET  
ADVISORY COMMITTEE BE DISSOLVED ON JULY 5, 2011**

**WHEREAS**, on November 5, 2007, the Mayor and Council approved the establishment of the Thames Street/Bridge Street Advisory Committee; and

**WHEREAS**, acting as a project oversight committee its goal was to receive the input and participation of the local public in determining the next course of action necessary to complete major repairs to Thames Street and a portion of Bridge Street; and

**WHEREAS**, the bond referendum to complete repairs and construction was approved by the electors of the Town of Groton on May 2, 2011;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Thames Street/Bridge Street Advisory Committee be dissolved on July 5, 2011.

**Deputy Mayor Duffy** moved **Councilor** seconded a motion to approve **R-11-7-52**.

Mayor Galbraith explained that the plan is complete and now that the bond referenda has passed the work can begin. She thanked the members of the committee for all of their hard work and dedication.

Councilor Hale asked if the Bridge Street project has been completed. He said he noticed the construction trailer and some piles of bricks are still there.

Mayor Galbraith said the project has not yet been signed off on.

**Motion carried.**

**R-11-7-53 RESOLUTION THAT THE COSTA PROPERTY COMMITTEE BE  
DISSOLVED ON JULY 5, 2011**

**WHEREAS**, on June 18, 2007, the Mayor and Council approved the establishment of the Costa Property Committee; and

**WHEREAS**, the goal of the Committee was to discuss and determine viable uses for the properties located at 334, 342, 343, 353 and 355 Thames Street and report to the Mayor and Council its recommendations; and

**WHEREAS**, the Committee reviewed the options available and has made their recommendations as to the most advantageous use of the properties;

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**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Costa Property Committee be dissolved on July 5, 2011.

**Councilor Gerrish** moved **Councilor** seconded a motion to approve **R-11-7-54**.

Mayor Galbraith said this committee made their recommendations for the water side and once the work on Thames Street is completed they can begin. She said both Deputy Mayor Duffy and Councilor Hale were on that committee and thanked them and all the other members for all of their hard work.

**Motion carried.**

**X. POSSIBLE EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None.

**XI. COMMENTS FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None.

**XII. ADJOURNMENT**

**Councilor Jervis** moved **Councilor Hedrick** seconded a motion to adjourn. **Motion carried.**

**Mayor Galbraith adjourned the meeting at 7:55 p.m.**

**APPROVED:**

**ATTEST:**

**Debra Patrick  
City Clerk**