

**Town of Groton  
Selectmen's Meeting Minutes  
December 1, 2009  
7:00pm**

**In Attendance: Mike Brogna, Miles Sinclair, Kyle Andrews, Pamela Hamel (AA)**

**Audience Members Present**

Mike called the meeting to order at 7:18pm and read the appointments, announcements and minutes of the November 24 selectmen's meeting. **Mike made a motion to approve the minutes as written, Miles 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor, so voted.**

The Board reviewed the conditional offer of employment for a new Police Chief. Miles suggested including a 5 year commitment with opt out based upon agreement of all parties. **Mike made a motion to add the change that Miles suggested and asked Pam to let the Board know when it is ready for signature, Miles 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor, so vote.**

The Board also reviewed a letter to the prospective Chief letting him know that a conditional offer of employment is being prepared and should be ready for signature by the end of the week. **Mike made a motion to sign this letter, Kyle 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor, so voted.**

**Miles made a motion to sign the generator maintenance contract, Kyle 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor, so voted.**

**Mike made a motion to sign the amended septic plans for Salsman, Kyle 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor, so voted.**

Mike reviewed the changes made to the Emergency Operations Plan (Miles and Kyle had reviewed the changes earlier). EMD Mike Lemieux has spent several hours putting this plan together. **Mike made a motion to sign the Emergency Operations Plan, Kyle 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor, so voted.**

**Mike made a motion to sign a letter to the Groton tax payers, Miles 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor, so voted.** This letter contains general information about the tax rate and the breakdown of this year's rate compared to last year. The Selectmen's office and Tax Collector have received many requests for an explanation of the increase. This letter will be posted on the web and at the usual places in town.

Miles reported that the Board signed an agreement with Groton Wind LLC to receive \$10,000 to offset costs related to the execution of agreements with Groton Wind. Pam will be in contact with North Country Council, LGC, Avitar and the town's attorney for any assistance they can offer and/or recommendations for other professional services to utilize. The Board would also like to meet with the selectmen from Lempster.

The GRC meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month at 6:00pm at the town house. They are holding a Craft/Antique Fair Sunday, December 6 from 10-2 at the Bridgewater/Hebron School.

Roberta Smolinsky mentioned that it appears the gate at the transfer station needs repair. The Board will forward this information to the Transfer Station Supervisor.

**Mike made a motion to adjourn at 8:04pm, Kyle 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor, so voted.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Pamela Hamel  
Administrative Assistant