

TOWN OF GROTON

173 Main Street Groton, MA 01450

SUSTAINABLE BUDGET STUDY COMMITTEE

Kevin Forsmo, Chairman

Mark Haddad Patricia DuFresne
Jack Petropoulos Kevin Brogan
Bud Robertson Alison Manugian
Art Prest Patricia DuFresne

Michael Hartnett

MEETING MINUTES

Date: Thursday, November 17, 2016

Time: 7:00 AM

Location: 2nd Floor Meeting Room, Town Hall

Members Present: Mark Haddad, Bud Robertson, Art Prest, Patricia DuFresne, Kevin Brogan,

Jack Petropoulos

Absent Members: Kevin Forsmo, Michael Hartnett, Alison Manugian

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman, Kevin Brogan at 7:05 a.m.

A brief discussion ensued about interest rates.

Mark Haddad announced that the Town of Groton was awarded the 2016 MassWorks Infrastructure grant for the Four Corners infrastructure project.

A discussion ensued about economic development and the four corners property.

DISCUSSION ON FINAL REPORT PRESENTATION TO BOS

Members discussed possible dates to present report to the BOS and decided to present on December 12, 2016.

Mr. Haddad provided copies of the draft report to members and the draft report was reviewed.

A discussion ensued about the conclusion, and it was decided that all members will provide 5 bullet points of what they would like included in the final conclusion.

A discussion ensued about population growth and the potential need to add fire department and police department personnel.

Members discussed the 2.4% growth rate recommendation, the potential impacts for overrides, the school district's needs and the decline in student population.

It was confirmed that the next SBC meeting will take place on Thursday, December 1, 2016, at 7:00 a.m.

MINUTES

Draft minutes from November 3, 2016, were reviewed.

Mark Haddad moved to accept the November 3, 2016, minutes as written. Arthur Prest seconded and the motion carried 6:0. (Kevin Forsmo, absent; Michael Hartnett, absent; Alison Manugian, absent)

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Robin Eibye, Executive Assistant

APPROVED: DECEMBER 1, 2016