

CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE

December 9, 2019

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COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Peter Dunlop, Judith Whiteside, Robert Fichtenmayer, Nan Evans and Holli Van Nest

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: Kim Shaver-Hood, Jacqui Nichols and Mary Ann Silva

Call meeting to order

Whiteside called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Roll call

Van Nest read the roll call of members present.

Approval of minutes

Fichtenmayer moved that the minutes from the November 25, 2019 meeting be approved, seconded by Dunlop. Motion carried – 5-0-0.

New Business

Whiteside distributed a letter to the Board of Selectmen which the Committee reviewed.

Whiteside distributed the organization chart from the Town website. Evans and Silva will use this as a starting point for their work on the organization for all appointing authorities to be included in the Charter.

Dunlop has approached members of other boards and commissions to let them know if there are any articles in the Charter or By-laws they want to call to our attention to please do so. The Committee had a general discussion of other ways to solicit input including articles in the newspaper and public hearings.

Whiteside announced that the Town Clerk received permission from the state to post our meeting agendas on the Town website, as well as outside the Town Clerk's office.

The Committee reviewed the Charter sections we have already made some decisions about changing in preparation for voting on them at next week's meeting.

The Committee had a preliminary discussion on Section 2-4 in terms of transparency of petitions submitted to Town Meeting, how it is voted into the Town Meeting warrant and publication of the warrant.

Any other business

None at this time.

Adjournment

Van Nest moved to adjourn, seconded by Silva. The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Holli Van Nest

December 16, 2019