

**CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE
MINUTES
March 2, 2020**

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

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: Kim Shaver-Hood 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

Dunlop moved that the minutes from the February 24, 2020 meeting be approved, seconded by Fichtenmayer. Motion carried – 6-0-0.

New Business

Votes were taken by the Committee as follows:

Section 6-3 – Nichols moved to accept with changes, seconded by Dunlop. Approved 6-0-0. The change is as follows:

.... hold one or more public hearings. The notice of such hearing(s) shall be published in the following locations, as applicable:

1. In a local newspaper, both in electronic and paper format;
2. On the bulletin board outside the town clerk's office;
3. On the town website; and
4. On a Wareham community local access television station.

Notice shall be given not less than seven nor more than fourteen days before the date the hearing is scheduled, which notice shall describe the scope of the proposal and the time and place of the public hearing.

A reorganization proposal.... any town agency described in article 2 or 3 of the charter.

Sections 6-1, 6-2, 6-4, 6-5, – Nichols moved to approve these sections as they are, seconded by Dunlop. Approved 6-0-0.

Article 1 – Evans moved to approve as is, with a change to the title, seconded by Dunlop. Approved 6-0-0. The new title of Article 1 is Incorporation & Powers of the Town.

Section 2-4 – Nichols moved to approve as presented with changes required by Senate Bill 2283 as approved by the State Legislature and signed by Governor Baker, seconded by Evans. Approved 5-0-1. This will replace Section 2-4 as was previously approved by the Committee 1/13/20.

Any other business

Section 4-5 – Van Nest moved to remove this section in its entirety, seconded by Fichtenmayer. Approved 6-0-0.

Adjournment

Nichols moved to adjourn, seconded by Fichtenmayer. The meeting adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Holli Van Nest", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Holli Van Nest
March 9, 2020