

TOWN OF WAREHAM MA

CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE AGENDA

MONDAY JANUARY 27, 2020 6:30 PM ROOM 27, MEMORIAL TOWN HALL

- I. Call meeting to order**
- II. Roll Call**
- III. Approval of minutes**
 - A. Minutes of January 13, 2020
- IV. New Business**
 - A. Review and discuss Charter, By-Laws, Open Meeting Law and other documents in order to construct a plan of action to accomplish this committee's charge.
 - B. Review and discuss any other items or documents members feel appropriate with regard to review of Charter.
 - C. Review and discuss agenda and proposed action and discussions for meeting of 02/03/2020.
 - D. Possible vote on recommendations re Charter
- V. Review and possible vote**
 - A Section 5-2 with word changes.
 - B. Section 3-7 with changes.
 - D. ARTICLE 4 IN ENTIRETY with changes.
 - E. ARTICLE 5 IN ENTIRETY WITH CHANGES.
 - F. Section 2-5 with changes.
 - G. Notes Appendix.
 - H. Minority Report
- V1. Discussion and vote on the proposed articles for April 2020 Town Meeting.**
 - 1. To see if the Town will vote to make the position of Town Clerk an appointed position rather than an elected position, or take any other action relative thereto.
 - 2. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Charter Section 3-1 (a) to add the words 'Sewer Commissioners' after the words, 'a board of assessors,' or take any other action relative thereto.
 - 3. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Charter Section 3-9 Board of Road Commissioners by striking it in its entirety, or take any other action relative thereto.

4. To see if the Town will amend the Town of Wareham By-laws by inserting a new Article IX Board of Road Commissioners as follows

Board of Road Commissioners

(a) Composition, Term of Office – There shall be a Board of Road Commissioners consisting of 7 voting members: 3 ex officio members, the Chief of Police, the Town Planner, and the Director of Public Maintenance, and 4 members appointed by the Board of Selectmen according to the merit principle, whose terms shall be 2 years each, with 2 of the appointee positions expiring each year.

(b) Powers and Duties – The Board of Road Commissioners shall act in accordance with the powers enumerated in Chapter 40, Massachusetts General Laws, Section 22 and, as such, shall conduct a periodic review of public ways and shall make rules and orders for all traffic policies, including: speed limits, traffic control signs, regulation of heavy commercial vehicles, traffic and parking regulations, penalties and repeals. Insofar as these rules and orders are the same as the regulations, rules and orders now in force in the Wareham Municipal Traffic Code, they shall be deemed to be a continuation thereof. The board shall, furthermore, assume the responsibility of street marking, and house numbering as determined by the revised 10-26-2009 By-Laws of the Town of Wareham, Division III, Article I.

Or take any other action relative thereto.

- V. Any other business
- VI. Adjournment