

CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

August 23, 2021

A virtual meeting of the Charter Review Committee was called to order by the Charter Review Committee Chair, Glen King, at 7:05 PM, using Zoom Video Communication.

Board Members Present: James Barron, Russell Collins, Steven Falconer, Glenn King and Thomas Melia.

Board Members Not Present: Kathryn Atchue, Robert Banning, Robert Dearborn and Rainer Forst.

Mr. King read the following notice aloud relating to the opening of the online meeting:

Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order suspending certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §18, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order concerning imposition on strict limitations on the number of people that may gather in one place, meetings of the Charter Review Committee will be conducted via remote participation to the greatest extent possible. No in-person attendance of members of the public will be permitted, but every effort will be made to ensure that the public can adequately access the proceedings as provided for in the Order.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the Charter Review Committee Meeting Minutes of July 26, 2021. The vote was unanimous.

The following discussion topics were noted:

- Review with Town Counsel and Town Moderator
 - o Robert Banning to consolidate his proposed listing of minor editorial changes to the document.
 - o All the proposed / recommended changes will be consolidated into a list for discussion with Town Counsel and with the Town Moderator.
- Fall Annual Town Meeting
 - o A discussion ensued on the presentation of the proposed / recommended list of changes to the document at the Fall Annual Town Meeting.
 - o It will be recommended to the Town Manager that a Warrant Article be presented at the Fall Annual Town Meeting. The article will list the proposed / recommended changes to the document.

All agreed that by the next meeting, the members would review the proposed changes for the Fall Annual Town Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, October 26, 2021 at 7PM to be held at the Middle School, Linwood Avenue, Whitinsville, MA. The proposed Town Charter changes will be presented by the Charter Review Committee Chair - Glenn King - and/or by a Charter Review Committee delegate at the 2021 Fall Annual Town Meeting.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. The Chair, Glenn King, adjourned the meeting at 7:20PM.