

MEETING OF THE CHARTER COMMISSION

TUESDAY, APRIL 5, 2016

1.0 WORKSHOP

The workshop was called to order at 4:00pm

Elected and appointed members in attendance:

Paul Breen
Cindy Douglass
Lesley Mathews
Chris Murphy, Town Clerk
Michele Tourangeau

2.0 ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS - NEW BUSINESS

2.1 Joint meeting with Select Board and Budget Review Committee

The Commission reviewed the proposed changes with the Select Board and the Budget Review Committee. The following recommendations were made:

- Per the Select Board - Section 206 Warrant Articles by Petition of Voters. The Charter Commission had removed the section relative to 10% of the number of votes cast in the Town at the last gubernatorial election. The Select Board asked this section remain in the Charter.
- Per the Select board - Section 308.2.4 - conflict of interest. The Select Board asked if more research could be done on this section. Chris Murphy informed both Boards that that will happen during the legal review of the proposed changes.
- Section 503.6.1 - this section deals with the change to the Budget Committee recommendations being a voter choice when the Select Board and Budget Review Committee differ. Both the Select Board and the Budget Committee agreed that they did not want this section changed in the Charter. Both Boards felt that voters relied on those recommendations.

3.0 MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS - ORAL & WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS - FOLLOW-UP

4.0 ADJOURNMENT

The workshop was adjourned at 5:00PM. The workshop session was not able to go through the entire charter revisions as the Select Board had a prior scheduled meeting at 5:00PM

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Douglass

Secretary