

BYLAW REVIEW COMMITTEE  
Town of Becket  
557 Main Street  
Becket, MA 01223

Meeting Minutes for August 31, 2015  
(APPROVED 10/14/15)

Call to Order:

PRESENT:

Bylaw Review Committee (BRC): Jeanne Pryor (JP), Ann Krawet (AK), Bruce Garlow (BG), George Roberts (GR), Mark Karlberg (MK)

Public: None

ABSENT: None

Meeting was called to order by JP at 6:34 PM.

AGENDA:

1. Organization of the Committee

- a. The following committee positions were established:
  - i. AK moved JP be chairman, MK seconded. Motioned passed.
  - ii. MK moved AK be vice chairman, JP seconded. Motioned passed.
  - iii. AK moved MK to be clerk, JP seconded. Motioned passed.

2. Discuss Committee Charge

- a. JP provided a copy of the charge from the Board of Selectmen (BOS).
- b. Discussion of the role of the ex officio members of the committee (Town Clerk (GR) and Moderato (BG)) was held. The discussion resulted in the agreement that since the ex officio members were non-voting members they could not move an article change but could recommend a change to an article.

3. Draft revisions to Article 20 DOG CONTROL BYLAW

- a. JP provided the version of the proposed changes to article 20 as developed by the BOS. JP stated she would provide information the BOS used in developing these proposed changes.
- b. JP requested we review the draft changes for discussion at the next meeting.

4. Discuss general review of Town Bylaws

- a. Following discussion, JP moved to direct the Town Clerk and Town Administrator to confer on the wording to be sent to our state legislators to petition the General Court to amend our town charter as voted and approved at the Special Town Meeting of April 5,

2014. MK seconded. Passed unanimously. JP stated there may be similar letters available in the Town Clerk's files that could assist in drafting the letter.

5. Set meeting schedule

- a. Discussion as to when would be the best time to hold the meetings; it was agreed the second Wednesday of the month would be a good time. Was agreed we would meet at 10:00 AM.
- b. Tentative meeting schedule would be Oct. 14th, Nov. 11th, and Dec. 9th.

6. Any other business

- a. General discussion on how the committee should review the various by-law articles after working on article 20. Agreed we would take them one or two at a time starting with article 2.

Next meeting: October 14, 2015

Adjourn: MK moved to adjourn and AK seconded at 7:23 PM. Passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted by Mark Karlberg

Approved by Jeanne Pryor: Chair \_\_\_\_\_