

TOWN OF BECKET  
Minutes  
ByLaw Review Committee  
March 23, 2016

Members Present: Jeanne Pryor (Chair), Ann Krawet, Mark Karlberg

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by the Chair.

The minutes of the meetings of November 18, 2015 and December 9, 2015 were reviewed and approved as corrected.

The committee reviewed the draft DOG CONTROL BY-LAW dated 3/7/16 regarding changes in new MGLs affecting Animal Control Officers that may be included in a revised Section 11. It was agreed that "Town Clerk" should be capitalized. At Mark's suggestion, further review of this draft will be deferred until the Town Clerk is in attendance.

The committee discussed the draft addition to Town Bylaws, Article 21-Vacant Properties. Jeanne reported on the Status of acceptance of Ch. 41 §38A. She had checked with the Town Clerk and the Tax Collector and to their knowledge it was not accepted. Further research is needed. Sample violation and demolition notices received from the Building Inspector were distributed. Jeanne will send a revised Vacant Properties draft with proposed changes to committee members.

Jeanne reported on the Status of charter change legislation regarding Parks and Recreation Committee (H.2085). She provided members with a copy of the email that was received from Senator Downing's office dated Jan. 11, 2016 stating that the bill is before the Joint Committee on Municipalities and Regional Government and it can be tracked at <https://malegislature.gov/Bills/189/Senate/S2085>.

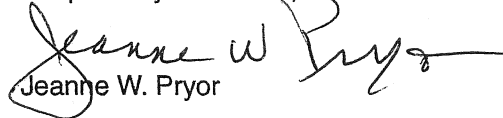
Per Town Bylaws, Article 16B: Bylaw Review Committee, Section 3.G., a public hearing was scheduled regarding the proposed change to the Town's Betterment Bylaw (wells) for Wednesday, April 27, 2016 at 7:00 pm.

Jeanne suggested that the committee consider the review and preparation of a list of MGL's accepted by the Town of Becket.

The next ByLaw Review Committee meeting was scheduled for April 27, 2016, at 7:30 p.m., following the public hearing.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Jeanne W. Pryor

List of documents discussed and/or distributed at meeting:

Bylaw Review Committee Minutes of Nov. 18, 2015 and Dec. 9, 2015  
Draft DOG CONTROL BY-LAW dated 3/7/16 regarding changes in new MGLs affecting Animal Control Officers that may be included in a revised Section 11.  
Draft addition to Town Bylaws, Article 21-Vacant Properties  
Sample violation and demolition notices  
Email re Becket Home Rule Bill: H.2085  
Proposed addition to Town Bylaws, Article 17-Town Betterment By-Laws, Section 22, Abandoned Well