CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION

Colchester, Connecticut July 12, 2017, Town Hall Meeting Room Two **Meeting Minutes**

Members present: Gregg LePage, Ursula Tschinkel, Monica Egan, Don Philips and Betty

Wagner

Members excused: Sheila Tortorigi and Michael Hinchliffe.

- 1. Call to Order. The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Chairman LePage.
- 2. Additions to the Agenda. Ms. Wagner requested that the commission discuss the wording of 601b. Mr. LePage added it to the agenda as item 4.1
- 3. Approval of the Minutes of June 28, 2017.

Motion to approve as submitted by Mr. Philips. Second by Ms. Tschinkel.

Vote: Unanimous approval.

- 4. Citizen Comments. None.
- 4.1. Addition to the Agenda. Ms. Wagner pointed out that the wording in Section 601b needs to be revised. The commission agreed to wait until it is returned by the Board of Selectmen to make those minor changes in wording.
- 5. Updates. Chairman LePage had attended the Board of Selectmen meeting on July 6th to answer any questions they might have now that they have had the revisions to review. He also explained to the commission that the charter revisions are now on the town home page.
- 6. Continue Draft of Potential Ballot Questions. The commission worked on various versions of the final question and agreed to:

"Shall the town charter be amended to make changes to the annual budget meeting and update the approval process of financial matters?"

The commission then discussed what order it will recommend to the Board of Selectmen. It was agreed that it will recommend the following:

Question 1: on grammar and technical changes.

Question 2: on the four year term for all elected officials.

Question 3: on the budget and financial matters.

Question 4: on changing the position of tax collector from elected to appointed.

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Question 6: on changing the position of town clerk from elected to appointed.

- 7. Citizen Comments. None.
- 8. Adjournment. Motion to adjourn by Mr. Philips. Second by Ms. Tschinkel. The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m. The next meeting will be on Wednesday July 26 at the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted.

Betty Wagner, Secretary