

CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION
Colchester, Connecticut
August 16, 2017, Town Hall Second Floor Conference Room
Meeting Minutes

Members present: Gregg LePage, Ursula Tschinkel, Michael Hinchliffe, Don Philips, Sheila Tortorigi and Betty Wagner.
Member excused: Monica Egan.

1. Call to Order. The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Chairman LePage.

2. Additions to the Agenda. None.

3. Approval of the Minutes of the August 1, 2017 Meeting.

Motion by Mr. Philips to accept as presented. Second by Ms. Tschinkel.
Vote: Unanimous approval.

4. Citizen Comments. None.

5. Review Charter Revision Timeline. Mr. LePage reviewed with the commission the timeline for completion. The questions must be given to the Town Clerk by September 7th. The explanations can be completed after that date. The town attorney is reviewing the questions and will write the explanations.

6. Review Board of Selectmen Feedback and Change Draft Document as necessary.

The Board of Selectmen submitted several suggestions.

First, they requested that the commission revise the changes it had suggested in C.303c. The commission deleted the line it had added to that section and added to the end the words "to serve until the next Municipal Election."

Second, the commission simplified the wording of C601b, went back to the original wording of C 602.a. and removed the word "three" from second sentence of C 603.b.

Third, the commission reviewed the numbering system used by the town attorneys and changed it to be more user friendly, changing Article 11 from having "a" through "h" in the heading of each section to a numbering system that follows headings of 1101 to 1104. To clarify, instead of "Article 11a, Annual Budget Meeting," it now says "1105 Annual Budget Meeting." The corrections continue to "1112 Town Departments and Administration," instead of Article 11h.

Fourth, it added "Youth and Social Services" to the list of town departments. That department had mistakenly been omitted.

7. Citizen Comments. None.

8. Adjournment. Motion to adjourn by Ms. Tschinkel. Second by Mr. Hinchliffe. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m. The next meeting will be August 23, 2017 in the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Betty Wagner, Secretary

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