

## (Town) Government Study Committee Minutes

**Date:** Wednesday June 16, 2015

**Time:** 7:00 PM, Duxbury Senior Center Weyerhauser Room

Minutes Approved:

Committee Members Present: Ann Ward, Ted Flynn, Gene Blanchard, Gay Shanahan, Marty Desmery, Susan Curtis, Alex Chin

Committee Members Absent: Kathleen Glynn, John Tuffy

Town Officials Present: Friend Weiler

Other Citizens Present: None

1. Call to Order – Moderator Friend Weiler read the authorization passed by the Board of Selectmen creating the committee.
2. Committee Discussion Topics:  
Members discussed ideas floated in the recent past for consideration by the committee, including:
  - election/appointment of positions,
  - creation of Community Service Director,
  - administrative support for the Finance Committee,
  - general review of bylaws,
  - contract signature authority,
  - electronic balloting,
  - value of Town meeting and representative government.The above list was for discussion and brainstorming only and does not represent the workplan of the committee.
3. Mr. Weiler led the discussion on administrative matters. Gay Shanahan was elected chair and Marty Desmery was elected Vice Chair. Meetings will occur at the Senior Center the fourth Wednesday of every month at 7:00 pm. The next meeting will be 7/22. It was suggested that we create a gmail account.
4. Initial approaches to information gathering were discussed:
  - Review of an organization chart,
  - Develop a community survey,
  - Meetings with town officials and boards,
  - Clipper article/letter.
5. The Committee discussed the plan for the next meeting. Mr. Read will be invited. A “Laundry list” of issues to be reviewed will be discussed as well.
6. Mr. Blanchard moved to adjourn and Mr. Desmery seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Gay Shanahan

List of Documents:

None