Town of Milton Town Government Study Committee November 15, 2012

The Town Government Study Committee (the "Committee") met on Thursday, November 15, 2012, in the Blute Conference Room. The following members were present: Chairman Rick Neely, John Cronin, Rob Gatnik, Mary McNamara, Leroy Walker and Katie Conlon. The following members were absent: Annemarie Fagan, Marvin Gordon, Ewan Innes and Michael Joyce.

Chairman Neely called the meeting to order at 7:18 p.m.

On a motion duly made and seconded, the Committee voted 6-0-0 to approve the minutes of its October 25, 2012 meeting.

Chairman Neely reported that the Board of Selectmen and the School Committee had approved the letter to the Mass. Department of Revenue ("DOR") requesting a review of the Town's and the School Department's financial operations. He will confirm with the Selectmen's office that the letter has been submitted to DOR. The Chairman also discussed with Selectman Hurley the terms of appointment of the Committee members and the timing of delivery of the Committee's report. Mr. Hurley indicated to Mr. Neely that the Committee should continue its work indefinitely and submit a report in January or February. The Board of Selectmen will reappoint the Committee. Mr. Cronin noted that the Committee, and other committees of Town government, need to observe formalities and, upon completing their work, should ask to be discharged.

Ms. Conlon reported briefly on research relating to the Planning Board's membership. She will contact the Zoning Board of Appeals about the alternate member research and report back to the Committee.

Ms. McNamara updated the Committee on the work of the Town Administrator Search Committee.

Ms. McNamara reviewed revised recommendations relating to town meetings. The Committee had a lengthy discussion about the various recommendations and suggested changes to be made. Ms. McNamara will revise the recommendations.

Ms. Conlon reported that the Capital Improvement Planning Committee ("CIPC") will discuss at its next meeting issues that Town Accountant Amy Dexter had raised with the Committee concerning, among other things, the CIPC's membership.

On a motion duly made and seconded, the Committee voted unanimously to adjourn at 9:15 p.m.

Submitted by:

Katie Conlon Secretary November 17, 2012