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Charter Review Committee  
September 12, 2012 Minutes

Attendees: Harry Romasco, Bill Kessler, Jim Legg, Barbara Hall, Mary Pat Wickstrom, Arthur Dubois, Ken Redding

Absent: Peter Emerick

Meeting called to order by Chairman Romasco at 7:05 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting Agenda

1. Discuss input from the public hearing and other items.
  - a. Motion by Ken, seconded by Arthur, to replace Article 3 section 2(b) with:  
**(b) Powers and Duties – The selectmen shall have and possess all powers it is possible for selectmen to hold under the general laws of the commonwealth which are not specifically assigned to some other office or agency under this charter or by special act of the legislature.**

**The board of selectmen shall have the power to enact rules and regulations establishing town policies not otherwise governed by by-law, by this charter, or by statute.**

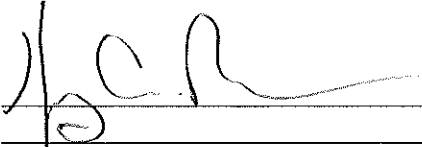
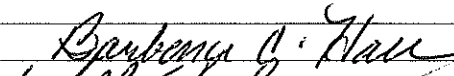
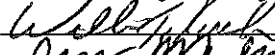
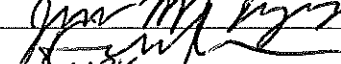

**Except for the purpose of such investigation as may be authorized by this charter, the selectmen shall deal with all town officers and employees who are subject to the direction or supervision of the town manager solely through the town manager. The selectmen shall not attempt to give orders to such persons, either in public or private.**

Approved 7-0.

- b. Motion by Ken, seconded by Arthur, to remove 2<sup>nd</sup> paragraph from Article 1 section 3. Approved 7-0.
- c. Motion by Ken, seconded by Arthur, to add an "s" after annual town meeting in the second sentence; to add a period after officers at end of first paragraph and remove remainder of sentence. Approved 7-0.
- d. Motion by Ken, seconded by Arthur, to remove capitalization of words in Article 2 section 4. Approved 7-0.
- e. Motion by Mary Pat, seconded by Ken, to remove all capitalization throughout the document where appropriate, with the exception of Town of Uxbridge. Approved 7-0.
- f. Motion by Ken, seconded by Mary Pat, to remove 'subcommittee, or otherwise and' from the definition of multiple member body in Article 1 section 5. Approved 7-0.
- g. Motion by Jim to add definitions for Medium and Media. No second.
- h. Motion by Bill, seconded by Mary Pat, to remove Article 8 from the Table of Contents, and any references throughout. Approved 7-0.
- i. Motion by Bill, seconded by Ken, to remove 'The number of members, t' and add 'T' at the start of the 3<sup>rd</sup> sentence. Approved 7-0.
- j. Motion by Bill, seconded by Jim, to add a comma after limitation and remove the word 'to' after it, in Article 4 section 2(d). Approved 7-0.
- k. Motion by Ken, seconded by Jim, to remove the word 'final' from the last sentence of Article 6 section 2(a). Approved 7-0.
- l. Motion by Arthur, seconded by Ken, to remove 'and a compensation advisory board' from Article 3 section 2(d), unless this board is required by law. Passed 6-0 with Bill abstaining.

2. Discussion of warrant articles for the November Town Meeting – Motion by Bill, seconded by Ken, to authorize the chair to work with Barbara to create the executive summary and warrant article. Approved 7-0.
3. Minutes – Minutes for 9/5 meeting not available.
4. Motion to adjourn was made by Ken, seconded by Jim. Approved 7-0. Meeting was adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

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