

WAREHAM CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE
DECEMBER 15, 2009

The following members were in attendance: Alan Slavin, Chairman, Mick Jones, Vice Chairman, Mary Ann Silva, Clerk, Edward Pacewicz, Jack Houton, David Smith, Len Gay, David E. Begley and Donna Bronk, Finance Committee Liaison. Board of Selectmen Liaison, Brenda Eckstrom, was absent due to a Selectmen's meeting.

1. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS PRESENT:

The meeting was called to order by Alan Slavin, chairman, at 6:04 p.m. The Chair noted that only one liaison was absent. It was reported that the agenda had been provided to all present. The Chairman stated that he would have to leave the meeting for about a half hour to meet with the BOS on another matter.

2. REVIEW MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING:

Leie Carmody made a motion to accept the minutes of November 12th, November 24th and December 1st. Motion was second by Ed Pacewicz. The Chairman called the vote and it was unanimous for approval.

3. REVIEW RESPONSES TO WEBSITE:

The Chairman began light discussion regarding emails and the open meeting law. The Chairman stated that emails can be used for informational purposes only and not involved discussions and comments from several members, as that would be a violation.

4. OTHER BUSINESS:

The Chairman stated that he received a request from Jayne Hanley to meet with the Committee to instruct us regarding the process for suggesting change of government. It was the consensus of the Committee that she is welcomed to attend as they are opened meetings, but we have been instructed by Lauren Goldberg of K&P as to what our duties are and how they should be carried out.

Public meetings were also discussed and the best way to notify the public about attendance and the importance of residents getting involved in the discussion. The Chairman is currently discussing with the Moderator Association the possibility of getting a neutral moderator in to moderate this meeting. The meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 16, 2010 and will have guest speakers who have been or are currently involved in a Charter change regarding a change in their own governments.

The Chairman left the meeting at 6:24 and returned at 7:00 p.m. and resumed the meeting from the Vice Chairman. The group then discussed meeting on Saturday, December 19, 2009 at 1:00 p.m. for a workshop. Six members agreed to meet at the Town Hall Cafeteria to continue working on the Charter.

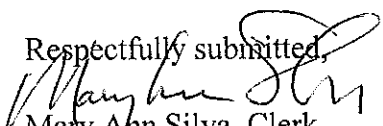
5. NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting will be scheduled for Saturday, December 19, 2009, at 1:00 p.m. for a workshop and on Tuesday, December 29, 2009, at 6:00 p.m. to continue working on the proposed Charter.

6. ADJOURN MEETING:

A motion was made by John Houton to adjourn and seconded by Mary Ann Silva. Alan called the vote at 8:05 p.m., and it was recorded as unanimous for adjournment.

Respectfully submitted,


Mary Ann Silva, Clerk

