

CHARTER COMMITTEE  
September 27, 2018 – Memorial Hall  
Selectmen's Chambers – 6pm

Members Present: John Page; Kelly Kelly; Jane Jackson; Beth Mockler; Nancy Rapoza  
Call in participant: Rob Templeton (6:08pm)  
Absent: Sue Lisio

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:01pm
2. The minutes from September 13, 2018 were reviewed. Motion made (JJ), seconded (KK) to approve the minutes - minutes approved.
3. Update/review of available resources to assist the Committee
  - Official copy of the Town Charter was provided
  - Suggestion to have other boards and committees review the recommendations from the Committee once the charter review is complete
  - Brief discussion of what happened with the previous Charter Committee and where the recommendations ended up with the prior Board of Selectmen.
4. Approach, process and review of Town Charter
  - Timeline to complete review was discussed. Using an April 2019 date for Town Meeting, the Committee agreed to have the review completed by December. The recommendations will be forwarded to the Board of Selectmen and Town Counsel and hopefully have Town Counsel complete its review by mid-January. Post the Charter with recommended changes by mid-February and have the Town send an email blast letting residents know it has been posted. Other ways to get the word out will be discussed. Goal to have the final document ready for the warrant by March 1.
  - Review and compare current Charter and recommendations from the prior Charter Committee.
  - The committee reviewed Articles 1 and 2. In 2-6, the last line currently reads "shall be in accordance with MGL Law ~~Town~~ the By-law". This should be changed to read "shall be in accordance with MGL Law ~~Town the~~ and the By-law".
  - Article 3 will be reviewed and the next meeting. JP will obtain a copy of the current positions that should be listed in 3-2 (d).
5. Next meeting: The committee agreed to meet the next four Thursdays at 6pm.
6. The meeting adjourned at 6:50 pm.

Nancy Rapoza

Nancy Rapoza, Clerk, Charter Committee

10-11-18

Date