

## CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE 2020

Tuesday, March 10, 2020, 6:00 pm

Town Manager's Conference Room

### Minutes

Charter Committee Members Present: Ron Hubert, Chair, Chris Taylor, Selectboard Representative, Louis Mossey, Terri Sabens, Brenda Steady, James Ballard, Sheryl Prince, Town Clerk, Jeremy Metcalf, School Board Representative

Ron Hubert, Chair, informed the members of the committee that now due to the elections there is now two Selectboard members on the committee. He asked all committee members to write on a piece of paper "yes" if they have an issue with both Chris Taylor and Brenda Steady on the board or "no" if they have no issue with both Selectboard members being on the committee. After the closed vote, Ron Hubert, announced the committee members do not have an issue with both serving on the committee. Chris Taylor will share this information with the Selectboard members.

Discussion points included:

129-103. Powers of the Town

Having a charging station. The town cannot charge for the charging station but can charge for the parking space for the vehicle.

129-104. Ordinances

(b) Adoption by Selectboard. (4) (c) add by Australian Ballot

(f) Referendum (1) add by Australian Ballot.

(e) Penalties; Limitations

Lou Mossey suggested moving the (3) to (1) and (1) to (2) and (2) to (3). Committee members agreed.

129-202. Elective Officers

Discussion regarding the conflict of being on the ballot for more than one term on a board. Committee members talked about past practice. Chris Taylor suggested wording to include that the person with the next winning votes take the seat and explained it is difficult for the board to make the appointment. Ron suggested that there be wording that a person only be allowed to run for one seat on a board.

To remove the Moderator as an Elected Officer and having this an appointed position with a two year term.

(d) Termination – Discussion included the wording surrounding if a seat becomes open before the term is completed if that said office should be put on the next ballot or become appointed for the remainder of said term.

129-203. Terms of elected offices

(d) The Moderator shall be appointed for a two year term came up for discussion instead of the Moderator shall be elected for a one-year term.

129-304 Mandatory Duties

(6) To include wording that all public records are the property of the taxpayers.

Next meeting to be held in the same location on Tuesday, March 31<sup>st</sup>, at 6:05 pm.

Meeting concluded at 7:26 pm

Respectfully submitted by:

Brenda Steady  
Committee Member