

**1<sup>ST</sup> DRAFT 9/6/2020**

**Town of Milton  
Municipal Building Conference Room  
43 Bombardier Road, Milton VT 05468  
Charter Review Committee 2020  
Community Training Room  
Wednesday, September 2, 2020 at 6:00 pm  
MINUTES**

Committee members present: Ron Hubert – Chair, Lou Mossey – Vice Chair, Brenda Steady – Secretary, Terri Sabens, Sheryl Prince – Town Clerk, Tracy Hughes – Library Trustee, Jerry Metcalf – School Board Trustee, Brenda Steady – Selectboard member, Jim Ballard, Michael Joseph – School Board member, Chris Taylor – Selectboard member (arrived at 6:50 pm)

Committee members absent: None

Ron Hubert opened the meeting at 6:04 pm followed by the Pledge of the Allegiance.

Agenda Review: Item (a) Redirecting should be Redistricting

Public Comments: None

Motion made by Michael Joseph with a second by Lou Mossey to approval the Minutes from August 19, 2020. All in favor.

Continued discussion of Charter Committee updates:

- a) Redistricting: Ron Hubert suggested the charter contain language regarding redistricting. After this year's census is completed the town could possibly end up with four districts along with four state representatives. The language could include the Town Clerk, along with three Civil Board members to work on the best places to draw the lines. The

- committee members determined that this could be a sub section under 129-801. Lou Mossey offered to research other area charters for language.
- b) School District Treasurer discussion: Michael Joseph said after the last joint meeting with the Selectboard members that he believes this is no longer needed.
  - c) Former Village Language regarding lighting and sidewalks: Lou Mossey questioned the language in 129-307. Board members decided after discussion that the current language does work.
  - d) Audit Language for approval: Motion made by Michael Joseph with a second by Terri Sabens to approve the Audit language in section 129-1002. Vote was 8 yes and 1 no (Chris Taylor was not available for the vote)
  - e) Policy Development Language: Board members decided that a section needed to be added under section 129-508. Lou Mossey will develop the language. Motion made by Michael Joseph with a second by Traci Hughes to approve a new section 129-508 Selectboard Policies. All in favor.
  - f) Any discussion of previous discussed items: Terri Sabens brought forward the fact that there is no mention of hiring a qualified assessor in the charter like there is for a planning and a zoning person and that this position should be closer monitored so the job done without having to pay double for it by having to pay a contractor to help maintain, review and sign off on our grand list. Chris Taylor will bring this question forward to the Selectboard members for further discussion.

Lou Mossey brought forward language pertaining to the school in 129-1006. Board members decided the current language is adequate.

Board members agreed that the Charter Compliance Committee in section 129-702 would better be served with five members instead of three members.

Board members discussed 129-1009 Taxation and decided to keep the current language.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, September 23, 2020.

Motion made by Michael Joseph with a second from Jerry Metcalf to adjourn at 7:04 pm. All in favor