Charter Committee Minutes

August 16, 2023

The meeting was called to order by Mr.Dawicki at 6:31 PM

Pledge of Allegiance: No flag in room

Roll call of committee members:

Present: Morgan Dawicki, Lilia Cabral-Bernard, Robert Grindrod, Brendalee Smith.

Marybeth Vargas

Absent: Cathy Melanson

Approval of 7/19/23 minutes.

Motion made to approve minutes Ms. Cabral-Bernard. Brendlee seconded

Roll call vote unanimous 5-0 to approve.

Public Comment: None

Discussion/Action Items

1. Master Charter document discussion

Review of sectons

1-5 Morgan

6-8 Lilia/ Brendalee and Cathy

9-11 Bob/Marybeth

Discussion among committee members regarding their sections

Discussion regarding making document look consistent. Agree to font size/style- Calibri 14 Font

Adding clarification for role of charter;- some info taken from Plymouth charter Previous meeting talking about having 1st document. Not able to have google document for all to edit, Violates open meeting law. Questioned having meeting that would be 3 hours to work on document. ? if this would need to be televised.

Aiming to have draft by October, attempting to wrap up by December and engaging town Council

Discussion regarding getting public involved. Possibly precinct chairs to coordinate reaching their precincts to have meeting

Question from Bob: What does it take to get Charter approved? Town meeting or both town meeting and town election. Question Town Council may be able to answer Timeline: October first draft, solicit public feedback after October meet again, release draft for public to review and comment on for 30 days.

2. Question regarding openings on committee. Town Moderator posting openings

Next meeting: Wednesday September 20 at 6:30 PM

Tentative October meeting October 18th

Other/New Business: Where committee stands stand with Town moderator for openings. Notice of openings being posted on Friday.

Review Action Items

- 1. Artcles 6-8 to Brendalee, Lillia and Cathy.
- 2. Mr., Dawicki to connect with Town Moderator
- 3. Everyone to review what we have been working on

Questions/comments: None

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn made by Ms. Cabral-Bernard, seconded by Bob. Roll call vote unanimous 5-0.

Meeting adjourned by Mr. Dawicki at 7:28 PM

Marybeth Vargas

Secretary to Charter Committee