

Charter Committee Minutes

March 19 , 2025

Members Present: Morgan Dawicki, Lilia Cabral-Bernard Bob Grindrod, Cathy Melanson , Brenda Lee Smith, Marybeth Vargas

Others Present: Fairhaven TV , Mr. Brady

Meeting called to order by Morgan Dawicki at 6:33 PM

Roll call of committee members: Morgan Dawicki, Bob Grindrod, Cathy Melanson , BrendaLee Smith, Marybeth Vargas

Public Comment:

None

Approval of Minutes:

1. Meeting minutes 1/15 Motion to approve by Cathy , seconded by Bob. Roll call vote to approve unanimous.
2. Meeting minutes 2/13 Motion to approve by Cathy , seconded by Bob. Roll call vote to approve unanimous.
3. Meeting minutes 3/3 Motion to approve by Cathy , seconded by Bob. Roll call vote to approve unanimous.

Discussion/Action

Review of feedback from Heather . 2 Sections

1. Page 23 Section 7-4 . Discussion with committee. Mr. Brady questions having time frame , for example all documents should be available 48 hours prior. Marybeth questioned that previously Heather telling us to avoid this due to some limitations with contracts, etc. Mr. Brady feels using word should will make it more flexible. Discussion with group. Morgan to add into comments for Heather to review.

2. Section 8-2 page 25

Provided by TC addressing issue for Planning Board to return to four-year terms. Cathy to discuss at next PB meeting. Discussion with group. Also questioning after Town Meeting vote if this will also be Town vote. Marybeth will look into previous meeting minutes as topic was discussed.

3. Discuss publication and final draft: Will have working draft on front page with group notes omitted. Bob concerned about possible missing headings. Lilia has some suggestions/improvements . Morgan will fix and share with group when completed.

Also need to have 2 public hearings.

Discuss thoughts to get info out as group. Emails/ copies/postcard type mailings, Facebook page , Neighborhood News.

Mailings to Town Meeting members , suggested to include dates of public meetings at same time.

Getting Info on the Charter Committee page as soon as possible.

Questioning having email for feedback

Question finding dates for public meeting as we will need time to review. Will need to use Town Hall auditorium. Suggested we have a Saturday meeting also.

New Business:

1. None

Action Items:

Morgan to get us finalized copy for group. Looking to put on Charter page next week.

Morgan to get dates for potential public meetings. Town Hall availability

Ask Town Clerk about mailings/printings

Comments:

Need to be able to review comments after public meetings and feedback

Next meeting: Next meeting Wednesday April 2

Motion to Adjourn:

Motion made to adjourn by Cathy, seconded by Bob. Roll call vote to adjourn unanimous.

Meeting adjourned by Morgan at 7:35 PM

Marybeth Vargas

Secretary Charter Committee