



Town of Burlington

CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES Monday, June 22, 2020 – Teleconference

1. Call Meeting to Order:

The meeting convened at 7:34 p.m., Monday, June 22, 2020. Present were: Dave Goshdigian, Chairman, Tony DiNicola, Vice Chairman, Toni Vosburgh, Secretary, Barry Faticoni and Laurie Gara, members, as well as Ginger Doherty, JP Parente and Jeff Vosburgh, alternates.

2. Citizen Comment:

There was no citizen comment.

3. Discussion and Approval of Draft Report:

Chairman Goshdigian consulted with Mary Jane and Town Attorney to run our plan to approve draft at tonight's meeting, publish it tomorrow and then hold public hearing on Wednesday. In an abundance of caution, the committee took Mary Jane and Town Attorney's suggestion to have the draft available to the public for 5 days and hold the public hearing next Monday, June 29th instead.

Any sections not specifically mentioned were unanimously approved by the committee to remain as is on the draft.

- a. Suggestion by JP to change independent to unaffiliated on first page since there is an independent political party.
- b. Suggestion to remove 2nd sentence in Note of Appreciation and add Town Clerk into first sentence.
- c. Section 1-5: The committee unanimously agreed to recommend addition of commas to section for clarity.
- d. Section 2-5: The committee felt that the second sentence of the section should be removed for clarity since the position is to be filled until the end of the term.
- e. Suggested to add "if any" after proposed changes on page three to account for keeping section 5-10 in draft report since committee made no changes.
- f. Section 5-15: Change to purpose of amendment to remove duplicative language.
- g. Section 5-20: Committee agreed to keep draft changes as amended to get prior approval for town attorney for abundance of clarity.
- h. Section 6-2: Changed language to any paid elected officials and employees not subject to CBA.
- i. Section 6-3: Changed "set for" to "set forth."
- j. Section 7-7: Added "new" after Named Reserve section for clarification.
- k. Section 7-8: Add consultants to pre-approval language and committee unanimously voted to update language in 3 paragraph from bottom to update "formulation for" to "maintaining" policy...

- l. Section 8-4: Removed second sentence of the committee comments for simplification.
- m. Section 10-2: Changed language to the “Board shall appoint” instead of the Town establishing the Ethics Commission.
- n. Motion made (BF), seconded (TD) and unanimously passed to accept Draft Report as is to submit for public hearing.
- o. Motion made (JP), seconded (LG) and unanimously passed to hold Public Hearing for Draft Report Acceptance at 7:00 pm.

4. Adjourn:

Motion made (TD), seconded (BF) and passed unanimously to adjourn meeting at 8:53 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Toni Vosburgh
Secretary, Charter Review Committee