

CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, APRIL 1, 2024, at 8:00 AM EDT

Meeting conducted via Virtual-WebEx - recorded and available for review at the following link:
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A quorum of committee members was present:

Nancy Medoff - Chair, Michael Cohen, Fred Fehlau, Brian Boyle, and Dave Bannard. Bob Panessiti did not attend. Chris Lucy resigned from the Charter Review Committee.

Chair Medoff called the meeting to order at 8:00 AM, invited the public to call in, and provided the necessary information.

Public Comment Period

- Chair Medoff opened the meeting to solicit public comment. No public comment took place.

Agenda Item – Discussion Charter Sections 4-5-2 and 6-2-12 recommendations.

- A historical recap regarding the CRC recommendation is below.
These two recommendations were discussed at length, dating back to August 2023.
- These two sections were discussed in August 2023 and October 2023; in November 2023, the CRC crafted language to change them and voted unanimously to recommend it to the Select Board. It was then added to the agenda in January 2024 because the Town Manager and Town Counsel wanted further clarification. As a result, the CRC recommended modified language **that included** the advice of the Town Counsel. A CRC vote was taken, and it passed 4 to 1.
- Chair Medoff put it back on the agenda to gauge any public or CRC concerns in March 2024.
- Michael Cohen expressed that the work by the CRC, coupled with Town Manager Darrin Tangeman and Town Counsel Lauren Goldberg's input, that our revised discussion yielded results that the CRC should be proud of.
- Some members of the Select Board had some strong pushback regarding our recommendation during the report out on March 26th. That report out happened approximately five hours into the meeting.
- Town Manager shared that concern still exists among town hall staff about the language in the recommendation.
- Chair Medoff was asked to go before the Select Board again on Tuesday, April 2, 2024, to discuss our recommendation. Chair Medoff is unable to go because of a previous volunteer commitment. Michael Cohen offered to attend.
- CRC Member Michael Cohen made a motion to keep the recommendation as written and for Michael Cohen to attend the April 2 meeting on behalf of the Select Board. Fred Fehlau seconded it. The motion passed with Nancy Medoff, Michael Cohen, Dave Bannard, Brian Boyle, and Fred Fehlau all voting Yes, for a total of (5) yes votes.
- Chair Medoff took the time to thank her fellow members of the CRC for their contribution.

Michael Cohen made a motion to adjourn the public meeting. Brian Boyle seconded, and the CRC members approved on a roll call. Accordingly, the public meeting adjourned at 8:21 AM EDT.

Respectfully submitted,
Michael Cohen

