

**Charter Review Committee
Minutes
Meeting of August 30, 2016; 3:15 p.m.
Selectmen's Meeting Room, Truro Town Hall**

A quorum of committee members was present: Brian Boyle, Amanda Reed, Meg Royka, and Phil Smith. Committee members Gary Palmer, Bob Panessiti and Parker Small were absent. Also attending was Town Manager Rae Ann Palmer.

Draft minutes of the July 23, 2016 meeting were accepted.

No member of the public was present for public comment.

Mr. Smith reported that Mr. Small had resigned from the committee.

Mr. Smith distributed copies of the town charter reflecting the 2016 ballot vote. Ms. Palmer reported that no feedback on the charter had been received from department heads, and that the updated charter had not been distributed to boards and committees. Mr. Smith stated that a joint meeting with the Board of Selectmen has been scheduled during the September 13 BOS meeting.

Led by Mr. Smith, attendees briefly discussed Appendix B, part 1 as it is also listed in Section 3-1-1, and the list given in part 3 having been stricken from Section 5-4-2 by Question 3/2016 at the ballot and replaced with verbage giving the Town Manager authority to appoint all department heads. Decision on these issues remains open. Mr. Smith again suggested the committee consider rewording Chapter 6 to make the language more general, and questioned the necessity of listing all appointed multi-member bodies in Section 6-4-2.

Ms. Palmer will consult with legal counsel regarding the questions raised concerning Appendix B as well as the listing of regulatory boards in Section 6-4-2, and any legal constraints concerning the \$100,000 cap presently on the signing of contracts by the Town Manager.

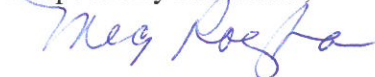
Action Items:

Ms. Palmer to consult with legal counsel as noted above.

Next meeting: TBD

Adjourned: 4:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Meg Royka
Clerk

