

## CHARTER ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION

Meeting Date: July 23, 2012

Meeting Location: Community Center

Meeting Time: 6 pm – 6:30 p.m.

Attendees: Tina Trudel, Chair; Geraldine Anathan, Astrid Berg, Julia Perry, members; Doug Johnstone, Town Clerk

Minutes of June 4, 2012, reviewed and approved with one change and one correction of the name of a member.

Tina Trudel reported meeting as Chair with Town Counsel Michelle Randazzo. Ms Randazzo provided background reading for a review of the Town Charter. This material was provided to the Commission members prior to this Meeting by email.

Based on the information provided, the Charter Enforcement Commission can write to the Board of Selectmen recommending a Review of the Town Charter and the establishment of an Ad Hoc Committee. The Board of Selectmen appoints the members of the Ad Hoc Committee, but the members of the Charter Enforcement Commission can volunteer to serve on the Ad Hoc Committee. The purpose of the Ad Hoc Committee is to collect and review public comment on a proposal to review and potentially recommend a revision to the Town Charter. If a revision is recommended by the Ad Hoc Committee, then that requires a Petition to the State Legislature which must be approved through a vote on an Article at the Town Meeting and the election of members to a Charter Revision Committee.

The Charter Enforcement Committee voted to authorize Tina Trudel as Chair to draft and send a letter to the Board of Selectmen proposing appointment of an Ad Hoc Committee.

On another matter, the Town Meeting for the Fall was not scheduled at the time of this Meeting and the Commission was notified that they may be asked to review proposed articles.

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Note taker: Julia L. Perry