

CHARTER ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION

Meeting Date: March 16, 2016

Meeting Location: Caucus Hall Meeting Room, Town Hall

Meeting Time: 5:07 pm – 5:25 p.m.

Attendees: Julia Perry, Robert Klytta, Tom Coen; Absent: Steve Katsurinas

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting and Public Hearing were called to order at 5:07 pm.
2. **Public Hearing on the Warrant Articles for the Town Meeting Starting Monday, April 4.** Julia Perry read the public hearing notice into the record, as follows:

“In accordance with §2-2-3 of the Provincetown Charter, the Provincetown Charter Enforcement Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, March 16, 2016 at 5:00 pm in the Caucus Hall, Town Hall, 260 Commercial Street, Provincetown, MA to determine the number of Board members in favor or opposed to the petitioned articles concerning the Provincetown Charter for the April 4, 2016 Annual and Special Town Meetings.”

a. Public Statements: None

b. Discussion and determination if the Charter Enforcement Commission will comment on any warrant articles: There were no articles concerning the Charter in the warrant. The public hearing was closed at 5:11 pm.

3. **Discuss impact of proposed Charter Commission on status of Charter Enforcement Commission:** If the Charter Commission ballot initiative is approved by the voters at the ballot box in May, three of the four members of the Charter Enforcement Commission may have to resign if they are elected to the Charter Commission. In that case, the one remaining member will have the authority, under section 5-2-2 of the Charter to appoint other members as follows:

“A vacancy on the commission may be filled by the remaining members of the commission, but only until the next annual election.”

For example: the remaining member would be able to appoint another member. The two of them would be able to appoint a third member, etc.

This is the only board with this authority under the Town Charter.

This would only be necessary if the Commission receives a complaint or

there are articles relating to the Charter that come before future town meetings.

4. **Review and Approve Minutes from Previous Meetings:** Motion to approve the minutes of May 14, 2014; October 22, 2014; and October 14, 2015 by Tom Coen; second by Robert Klytta. Approved 3-0-0
5. **Any other matters as may properly come before the Commission:** Members present read the minutes of this meeting. Motion to approve the minutes of March 16, 2016 by Robert Klyttta; second by Julia Perry. Approved 3-0-0
6. **Adjourn:** 5:25 pm

Secretary: Tom Coen