



Charter Compliance Commission

Meeting Agenda

The Provincetown Charter Compliance Commission will hold a remote public meeting on Tuesday October 19, 2021 at 1 PM in the Judge Welsh Room, Town Hall, 260 Commercial Street, Provincetown, MA 02657.

THIS IS A REMOTE PARTICIPATION MEETING

Pursuant to Chapter 20 of the Acts of 2021, this meeting will be conducted via remote means, in accordance with applicable law. No in-person attendance of members of the public will be permitted, and public participation during this meeting shall be by remote means only.

Members of the public who wish to access the meeting may do so in the following manner:

Joining the Meeting:

Microsoft Teams: Join on your computer or mobile app [Click here to join the meeting](#)

Phone: Or call in (audio only) [\(833\) 579-7589](tel:8335797589) Phone Conference ID: 635 815 390#

To Participate during public comment:

- Teams: Raise hand to be called on to speak.
- Phone: Speak name clearly to be called on to speak.

Please do not speak again until acknowledged by Chair or meeting moderator.

- Keep your phone muted at all times when not talking (*6 to mute & unmute your phone)
- Do not use speakerphone, Bluetooth devices (speakers or headphones)
- Mute all background noises, including PTV, television or computer and use only phone audio.

AGENDA

1. Public Statements
2. Review and clarification of the term “part-time resident” from the petition received from the Town Clerk’s office dated September 21, 2021.
3. Discuss the Select Board’s Code of Conduct.
4. Any other business that may come before the Commission.

Posted: Town Hall www.provincetown-ma.gov, 10/14/2021, 8:35 am AR

Emmett Catanese
Tue 9/21/2021 9:15 AM

Good afternoon Charter Compliance Commission,

The Office of the Town Clerk is writing to petition the Charter Compliance Commission for review and clarification of the following term "part-time resident".

This term appears under Chapter 5 s 7(c) : " If the Appointing Authority determines that there are an inadequate number of registered voters who are willing to serve as members or alternates on appointed non-regulatory Boards, then the Appointing Authority may appoint part-time residents to serve as alternates, as long as the majority of members are registered voters. Individuals who are not registered voters shall be appointed to a non-regulatory Town Board only if they can commit to being present for a majority of the meetings of the Board".

Clarification of this term is necessary to ensure regularity standards regarding (non-regulatory) town board appointments and to ensure fair and impartial application of this standard.

Some scenarios to help explain the issue (this is clearly not an all-inclusive list):

1. If a member of a non-regulatory town board changes their voter registration to Wellfleet, but owns a second home in Provincetown which they may or may not rent out, are they a part-time Provincetown resident?
2. If a member of a non-regulatory town board changes their voter registration to Orleans, but claims their parent's own a home in Provincetown, are they are part-time resident?
3. If a person lives in Provincetown in a rental unit, but is registered to vote in Florida, are they a part-time resident?
4. If someone has always been a registered voter in Truro, but owns a business in Provincetown are they a part-time resident?

The Office of the Town Clerk will need some kind of verifiable evidence if we are moving from a voter registration list which is a clearly a yes/no answer. Please define what kind of verification **they** will need to provide (local utility bill, lease/rental agreement for x months, tax bill, parking sticker, etc) when they apply for a town board.

Please schedule a review. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Emmett Catanese

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