

## **Charter Enforcement Commission Minutes, March 26, 2012**

Present: Sheila McGuinness, Mark Phillips, Dr. Tina Trudel (Chair)

Excused: Jerry Anathan, Astrid Berg

Staff liaison: David Gardner

Member of the public: Tom Coen, Finance Committee (Chair)

Meeting called to order by Tina Trudel, 5pm

1. Review of prior meeting minutes  
Motion: to accept the minutes  
Moved: Mark Phillips Seconded: Tina Trudel Approved 2-0
2. Review of election of officers
3. Review of prior proposed actions and consideration including Charter revision and Town Meeting date  
Motion: to place decisions made at previous meeting on hold to make decisions at an upcoming meeting with larger group of Commissioners.  
Moved: Tina Trudel Seconded: Mark Phillips Approved 3-0

Public Hearing begun

4. Review of proposal for change in membership of the Finance Committee  
Tom Coen, Chair of the Finance Committee presented case for support, including: analysis of Finance Committee membership and attendance charts showing a decline in number and attendance of members since 2008; analysis of population of Cape & Island Finance Committees by municipality, operating budget and census, also showing declines since 2000. Tom Coen reported that the Finance Committee itself voted unanimously to propose this change fearing the inability to achieve a quorum of five is likely and would be detrimental to smooth functioning especially at Town Meeting times.  
Motion: to recommend passage of Article 17 at the Annual Town Meeting.  
Moved: Sheila McGuinness Seconded: Mark Phillips Approved 3-0
5. New business  
There was none.

Motion: to adjourn 5:30pm

Moved: Mark Phillips Seconded: Tina Trudel Approved 3-0