BY-LAW/CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE

Tuesday, August 16, 2022, 5 p.m.

Town Hall – Small Meeting Room

Harwich MA 02645

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 5:03 p.m. In attendance were Sandra Hall, Anita Doucette, Deborah Sementa and Carol Thayer. Absent: Raymond Gottwald. Guests in attendance: Selectman Donald Howell and Noreen Donahue.

1. PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes were voted and approved as submitted for the July 12, 2022, meeting.
2. NEW BUSINESS: There was discussion surrounding the Bylaw/Charter Review Committee joint meeting with the Board of Selectmen that includes, but not limited to, clarification of Charter Section 4-5-2 (creation of any new full-time position) and Section 2 (submission of budget and budget message. The meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 22, 2022.

In addition, the topic of seeking $75,000 in funding for a comprehensive review of the Charter and By-law through an Article in the Fall Town meeting will need to be approved by the Selectmen.

1. OLD BUSINESS: Continuation of general discussion regarding members’ findings in reviewing charter, town code and committee handbook.

It was noted Ray Gottwald has resigned from this Committee and as such there remains an open position to fulfill on Bylaw/Charter Review Committee.

1. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 p.m. Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 13 at 5 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah Sementa

Recording Secretary