BY-LAW/CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2023

5:00 P.M.

SMALL HEARING ROOM

732 MAIN STREET, HARWICH, MA 02645

Per Massachusetts General Law: All town and school boards, committees, commissions, and authorities shall post a notice of every meeting at least 48 hours prior to such meeting, excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays. Notice shall contain a listing of topics, agenda items that the chair reasonably anticipates will be discussed at the meeting.

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. PUBLIC COMMENT
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: December 13, 2022
4. OLD BUSINESS:
5. Discussion of and possible votes regarding recommendations for charter revisions to be sent to the Board of Selectmen for potential inclusion in the May 2023 Town Meeting Warrant, including, but not limited to:
6. Restructuring timelines and deadlines for budgets and/or other financial considerations ahead of Town Meeting.
7. Clarifying Section 4-5-2 to specify new and/or expanded positions are to be voted separately in articles in the first year.
8. Clarifying Sections 4-4-1 and 4-4-2 regarding approval or denial by Selectmen of Town Administrator’s Appointments.
9. Clarifying Section 9-6-2 to adding words “no less than” to specify that a capital outlay shall mean an amount of “no less than $50,000.”
10. Clarifying Section 9-6-3 to replace the word “during” with “no later than.”
11. Consideration of including a by-law or charter amendment to allow the Water Commission/Water Commissioner to add fines to water bills.
12. Modify Section 2-3-1 to state that town meeting will be held during the first full week of May.
13. NEW BUSINESS

A. Annual Town Report

1. Discuss Agendas for Upcoming Meetings.
2. ADJOURNMENT

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SANDRA B. HALL, Chair TOWN CLERK

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