VOTER INFORMATION COMMITTEE MARCH 18, 2015 MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chris Joyce, Chair

Peggy Rose, Clerk

Joanne Rys

I. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:20 PM.

II. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Ms. Rys to approve the minutes of the meeting of January 21, 2015. The motion was seconded by Ms. Joyce and passed unanimously.

III. Old Business

<u>Progress – 2015 Programming</u>

Financial State of Harwich – April 21

Ms Rys advised that the new Town Accountant does not start work until April 6 and may not be up to speed to take part in the program. It was suggested that she contact the Town Administrator to determine his thoughts on who best could represent the Finance Department.

Pretown Meeting – April 28

Ms. Rose advised that the draft town meeting warrant is out. She will review the articles and then contact the sponsors of the articles and invite them to come to the taping

Meet the Candidates – May 12

The list of candidates provided by the Town Clerk was reviewed. When the deadline for returning nomination papers has passed, the Chair will contact the candidates about attending the program. The committee will determine if someone other than a committee member would be needed to moderate the program.

BOS Committee Handbook

The Chair will determine from the committee liaison if there has been any progress. She will also ask about the process for lowering the number of members that could be appointed to the Voter Information Committee. Currently the number could be as many as 8 people.

Citizens Academy

Ms. Rys is waiting to hear back from Sue French from Barnstable with the answers to the questions that the committee members posed at its last meeting

Conflict of Interest

Ms. Rys has turned in her certificate certifying that she took the training to the Town Clerk. Ms. Joyce will take the training. Ms. Rose's certificate does not expire until November.

IV. New Business

Graphics

The Chair will get in touch with Jamie Goodwin, director of Channel 18.

Warrant Insert

The committee will suggest to the committee liaison that it be included as part of the warrrant.

VI. Adjourn

There being no further business, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 6:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Rose, Clerk