



Charter Revision Commission

Clifford J. Hurgin Municipal Center, 1 School Street
Bethel, Connecticut 06801 Telephone: (203) 794-8501

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday, December 11, 2024 at 7:00 pm

Clifford J. Hurgin Municipal Center, 1 School St., Bethel, CT
General Purpose Room, Hybrid meeting

Present: Chair: Timothy Beeble, Joan Bradley, Penny Kessler, Patrick Daubert, Alice Hutchinson (via Google Meet). Charter Revision Counsel, Nicholas Vitti, was present and First Selectman Carter was present as an ex-officio member.

Absent: John Lennon

Chair Tim Beeble called the meeting to order at 7:07pm.

Public Comments: Paul Szatkowski 24 Winthrop Road

Correspondence: None

Consideration of approval of Regular Meeting minutes from 11/13/2024:

Motion made by Penny Kessler, and seconded by Joan Bradley, to approve the minutes from 11/13/2024, as written. Vote: all in favor. Motion carries.

Consideration of Charter Revision Commission Meeting Schedule for 2025:

Discussion took place regarding availability to meet in 2025. The attached schedule was proposed. Motion made by Joan Bradley, and seconded by Penny Kessler, to approve the meeting schedule for 2025 as proposed. Vote, all in favor. Motion carries.

Consideration of the Board of Selectmen, 2024 proposals:

Discussion took place regarding Charter section C6-3, Annual Town Budget Meeting. Discussion on deleting the word "Budget" from the name of the meeting and wherever "Budget Meeting" is written, use a lowercase 'b' for budget and a lowercase 'm' for meeting.

Discussion took place regarding Charter section C7-6, Board of Fire Commission. Regarding eligibility to serve on the Commission, suggestion made and discussed to state commissioners shall not be current members of any Bethel Firehouse.

Discussion took place regarding Charter section C8-1 Officers and Departments.

Discussion on having a listing of departments and a listing of administrative officers for the purpose of clarity.

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Discussion took place regarding Charter section C8-13E Comptroller (Finance Director) about moving the supervision for the IT Department to the First Selectman instead of under the Comptroller/Finance Director.

Discussion of adding to the Charter section C8-15 for the Department of Economic Development with wording similar to wording used for Department of Public Utilities (C8-14).

Discussion took place regarding Charter section C9-1, General Board Procedure.

Discussion took place regarding adding that Roberts Rules of Order be followed for all board/commission meetings.

Discussion took place regarding Charter section 8-1C and C8-11B and changing his/her to they/their.

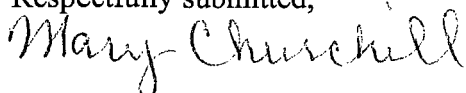
Consideration of any other proposals submitted to Charter Revision Commission:

This will be discussed at next meeting and/or subsequent meetings.

The next meeting of the Charter Revision Commission is January 8, 2025 at 7:00pm in the General-Purpose Room at the Municipal Center.

Motion made by Penny Kessler, and seconded by Joan Bradley, to adjourn the meeting at 8:50pm. Vote, all in favor. Motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary Churchill
Recording Secretary



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Regular Meeting Schedule for the 2025:

Each meeting will start at 7:00pm

Wednesday, January 8, 2025 in the GP Room

Wednesday, February 5, 2025 in Meeting Room A

Wednesday, March 5, 2025 in Meeting Room A

Wednesday, April 9, 2025 in the GP Room

Wednesday, May 7, 2025 in Meeting Room A

Wednesday, June 4, 2025 in Meeting Room A

Thursday, June 26, 2025 in Meeting Room A

Wednesday, August 6, 2025 in Meeting Room A

Wednesday, September 3, 2025 in Meeting Room A

Wednesday, October 8, 2025 in the GP Room

Wednesday, November 5, 2025 in Meeting Room A

Wednesday, December 3, 2025 in Meeting Room A