# Special Meeting Minutes Charter Revision Commission Monday, June 11, 2012

Town Hall, Drummer Room

Members Present: Frank Loda, Robert Koskelowski Sr., Christopher Falcioni, Gary Freeman, Melanie Kalako, Jack Liedke 8:10 PM

# Item 1- Chairman calls meeting to order.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman Mr. Freeman, at 7:31 PM.

# Item 2- Pledge of Allegiance

Everyone stood to salute the Flag and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

# **Item 3- Public Comment**

No public comment.

Item 4- Acceptance of minutes from Special Meeting on May 30, 2012; Special Meeting on June 4, 2012 and Special Meeting on June 6, 2012.

Minutes from Special Meeting on May 30, 2012 Motion: Mr. Koskelowski, Second: Ms. Kalako

Vote: Yes-5, No-0, Abstain-0

Minutes from Special Meeting on June 4, 2012

Motion: Ms. Kalako, Second: Mr. Loda

Vote: Yes-4, No-0, Abstain-1 (Mr. Koskelowski)

Minutes from Meeting June 4, 2012 Motion: Ms. Kalako, Second: Mr. Falcioni

Vote: Yes-5, No-0, Abstain-0

Item 5- Discuss and/or take actions on the Charter regarding the Board of Assessment Appeals, Planning & Zoning Commission, Parks, Recreation, WPCA, the Library Board, the Annual Town Meeting, the Budget adoption process, Police Commission, Inland Wetlands Commission, Commission on Aging, Department of Public Works, Sewer Use Rate Review and special Acts including presentation of changes for the Second Public Hearing.

# Chapter 2. Elected Boards

(B) Town Elections. The following boards shall be filled at the Town elections:

The Commission changed: Board of Tax Review to read Board of Assessment Appeals

## The Commission added:

There shall be a board of Assessment Appeals consisting of (3) three members who shall be elected for (2) two years. The Board of Assessment Appeals shall such powers and duties now or here after conferred upon such boards by the Connecticut general statues.

Motion: Mr. Koskelowski, Second: Ms. Kalako

Vote: Yes-5, No-0, Abstain-0

Library Board

Chapter 5.1 General powers and duties

The Commission added: The minimal requirement for the Head Library shall be Master Degree in Library

Science.

Motion: Ms. Kalako, Second: Mr. Loda

Vote: Yes-5, No-0, Abstain-0

**Recreation Commission** 

Section 10.12 Recreation Commission

The commission eliminated the line: All appointments, except to fill vacancies, shall be made to take

effect January 1 of each year.

Motion: Mr. Loda, Second: Ms. Kalako

Vote: Yes-6, No-0, Abstain-0

Sewer Use Rate Review Board

No Action

Water Pollution Control Authority

No Action

Annual Town Meeting, the Budget Adoption Process

12.3 B

The Commission added: Board and Commission to be returned no later than the third Tuesday of January of each year.

# 12.3 A, Seventh paragraph

The Commission changed the completion of the grand list to: The grand list shall be completed no later than January 31 of the same fiscal year.

Motion: Ms. Kalako, Second: Mr. Koskelowski

Vote: Yes-6, No-0, Abstain-0

12.3 B Paragraph starting with: If only one of the aforesaid budgets pass, that budget...

The Commission added: Once the General Government and/or the Board of Education budgets are reduced to the point of meeting only the minimum of new revenues, debt service, and legal obligations; the budget(s) shall be adopted.

Motion: Ms. Kalako, Second: Mr. Falcioni

Vote: Yes-6, No-0, Abstain-0

The Commission accepted the language as presented at this meeting for section 12.5 Annual Audit.

Motion: Mr. Koskelowski, Second: Mr. Falcioni

Vote: Yes-6, No-0, Abstain-0

Section 10 Assessment date

The Commission changed: April first to July 1 Motion: Mr. Koskelowski, Second: Ms. Kalako

Vote: Yes-6, No-0, Abstain-0

Sec. 24 Maintenance of Footbridge between Main and Humphrey Streets

The Commission changed: New York, New Haven, and Hartford Railroad Company to MetroNorth.

Motion: Ms. Kalako, Second: Mr. Loda

Vote: Yes-6, No-0, Abstain-0

#### 7.2 B

The Commission added: After Departments the word "and".

The Commission eliminated the word: etc. Motion: Mr. Loda, Second: Ms. Kalako

Vote: Yes-6, No-0, Abstain-0

Sec. 9 Fiscal year established; meetings of board of tax review.

The Commission eliminated everything up to March 31, 1943. The Commission will start this Section

with the sentence starting with: Annually meetings of the board of tax review...

The Commission changed: April to July. Motion: Ms. Kalako, Second: Koskelowski

Vote: Yes-6, No-0, Abstain-0

# Item 6- Discuss and/or take action on the Charter regarding general language and rules for commission and boards.

Section 4.1 Organization

Language submitted by Mr. Thompson was accepted by the Commission.

The Commission added: at their first yearly meeting after the word Secretary.

The Commission eliminated re in re-elect and January of, and striking out sentence The Chairman, or by majority vote of the board or commission, may call a special meeting.

Motion: Mr. Koskelowski, Second: Ms. Kalako

Vote: Yes-6, No-0, Abstain-0

Chapter 3

Section 3

From what was discussed from Meeting April 2, 2012 was accepted by the group.

Motion: Ms. Kalako, Second: Mr. Liedke

Vote: Yes-6, No-0, Abstain-0

Section 3 g changes discussed by the Commission was accepted.

Motion: Ms. Kalako, Second: Mr. Koskelowski

Vote: Yes-6, No-0, Abstain-0

## Item 7- Discuss schedule for Charter Revision meetings.

Next meeting June 18, 2012 7:00PM

#### **Item 8- Public comment**

No comment

# Item 9- Adjournment

Motion: Mr. Koskelowski Second: Mr. Falcioni

Vote: Yes-6, No-0, Abstain-0

Meeting was adjourned at 10:07 PM

Respectfully submitted, Paul Thompson Recording Secretary