

Town of Lyman Charter Commission

Regular Meeting Minutes

February 8, 2022 – 6:03 P.M.

Note: These are summary minutes. A recording of the meeting is available on the Lyman Town Hall YouTube channel. Minutes are not verbatim. Minutes may be paraphrased for clarity. Minutes are draft until approved by the Charter Commission.

Members present - Peggy Macdonald, Jessica Picard, David Alves, Judith St. Onge, Roger Hooper, Don Herson, Amber Swett, Michelle Felicitti, and Celeste Hatch

Public present – William Single

Motion made by Peggy Macdonald seconded by Michelle Felicitti to go into executive session pursuant to Title 1-M.R.S.A. section 405 (6) (A) for interview of municipal employee. Unanimously approved.

Motion made by Don Herson, seconded by Peggy Macdonald to come out of executive session. Unanimously approved.

Don Herson noted that no votes or decisions were made during executive session other than the vote to come out of executive session.

Motion made by Celeste Hatch, seconded by David Alves to accept meeting minutes from February 1, 2022. Unanimously approved.

Discussion regarding Committee Budgeting language.

Discussion regarding Organizational Hierarchy Chart. Place as an appendix in the Charter.

Discussion regarding Code of Ethics. Most towns have this as an ordinance. Placement in the Charter will be under Section 4.

Discussion regarding next steps for Charter Commission. Meeting February 19, 2022, at 8:00 am at the town hall for editing both versions of the Charter. Need to figure out what words needed for definitions page. Chair Jessica Picard will work on putting this together. Need to go over public comments that have been submitted for review. Decide how to break up articles for Preliminary Report. Editorial changes with Town Manager. Term limits for elected officials, question separate articles.

Discussion regarding ways to get the word out to town residents. Possibly using Charter Budget to have flyers made up to be mailed or handed out to residents at town meeting.

Roger Hooper has started working with the Lyman Historical Society to work on the Town History. Will check with Lyman Historical Society about a possible picture for Charter cover page.

Public Comment: When it comes to wording for voting on the Charter, keep it simple and all in one if possible and acceptable with legal.

Motion made by Peggy Macdonald, seconded by Roger Hooper to adjourn meeting. Unanimously approved. 7:36 PM.