

1 **DRAFT DOCUMENT-SUBJECT TO APPROVAL**

2 **CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION**
3 **SPECIAL MEETING**

4 **Room 315 – Wallingford Town Hall**

5 **45 South Main Street**

6 **November 17, 2016**

7 **6:30 p.m.**

8
9 **MINUTES**

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11 **PRESENT:** Chairman Steve Knight; Vice-Chair Christina Tatta; Commissioners Gina
12 Morgenstein; Jonathan Chappell; Bob Swick; Mark Gingras; Jim Pyskaty; Patricia Kohl; Sam
13 Carmody; Tom Corrigan; Corporation Counsel Atty. Janis Small.

14 **NOT PRESENT:** Commissioner Jim Seichter.

15 Chairman Knight called the Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

16 **1. Minutes of the October 4, 2016 Public Hearing**

17 **Vice-Chair Tatta made a motion to approve the October 4, 2016 Public Hearing**
18 **Meeting Minutes as presented. Commissioner Corrigan seconded the motion.**

19 **Roll Call Vote: Corrigan-yes; Carmody-yes; Kohl-yes; Pyskaty-yes; Gingras-yes;**
20 **Swick-yes; Chappell-yes; Morgenstein-yes; Tatta-yes; Knight-yes.**

21 **Minutes of the November 10, 2016 Meeting – TABLED**

22 Commissioner Gingras asked about the Minutes. Vice-Chair Tatta noted that what is being
23 posted on the Town website is not the approved Minutes. Commissioner Gingras suggested the
24 Minutes not be posted on-line until approved by the Commission. Chairman Knight said putting
25 "draft" on the Minutes is to alert the Town Clerk not to post the draft Minutes. Chairman Knight
26 said he will touch bases with the Town Clerk regarding this issue.

27 Chairman Knight noted that he and Vice-Chair Tatta recently appeared on the "Citizen Mike"
28 show talking about the Charter Revision Commission and their work. Commissioner Kohl said
29 she believes the show airs at 9 p.m. on Thursdays, and Monday, Tuesday and Wednesdays of
30 the week and Friday at 6 p.m. but not the weekends. The show also airs on the Wallingford
31 Town Government Channel.

32 **2. Discussion and possible action concerning review of the following sections of**
33 **the Charter.**

1 **a. Chapter XIII (redline version Chapter XV) – Personnel & Pensions**

2 **Section 1.**

3 Chairman Knight said changes were made in the 2009 version. He noted some of the minor
4 changes were already dealt with by this Commission. He said in Section 1, the 2009 changed
5 this to the Human Resources Dept. He said there is a large section, lines 11 through 43 which
6 were removed, which in the 2009 version, was replaced with lines 43 through 52. Atty. Small
7 said it appears the 2009 Commission tried to condense the language. She said the Personnel
8 Director could review this. Chairman Knight said a lot is condensed and this appears to
9 modernize the language and this Commission may want to consider substituting the entire
10 thing.

11 Atty. Small said she can give a copy to the Mayor of the 2009 revisions for his consideration.
12 Chairman Knight said he likes the look of what the 2009 Commission did. Ms. Kohl said she
13 agreed with Chairman Knight, stating the Commission made the change for the Purchasing
14 Agent, and a lot of what was in that section was appropriate for a job description. She said she
15 didn't believe every function of the Personnel Director needs to be in the Charter.

16 Chairman Knight spoke about sub-section C. Atty. Small said this didn't need to be in the
17 Charter. Vice-Chair Tatta said there was a discussion that this was not legal and suggested it
18 be removed. Chairman Knight said the part about surety bonds was irrelevant.

19 **Motion: A motion by Vice-Chair Tatta to remove Sections C & D under "Personnel &**
20 **Pensions (currently Chapter XIII), Section 1. Commissioner Chappell seconded the**
21 **motion.**

22 **Roll Call Vote: Chappell-yes; Kohl-yes; Morgenstein-yes; Carmody-yes; Gingras-yes;**
23 **Pyskaty-yes; Corrigan-yes; Swick-yes; Tatta-yes; Knight-yes**

24 **Section 2**

25 Chairman Knight said the 2009 Commission had changed the name and there was no interest in
26 changing to Human Resources Director. Commissioner Swick asked how many times the
27 Pensions & Appeals Board met. Atty. Small said they meet when they are needed.

28 No Action Taken.

29 **Section 3 – Pension Commission**

30 Chairman Knight said there were no changes in the 2009 version other than the name change.

31 No Action Taken.

32 **Section 4 – Retirement of Municipal Employees**

1 Chairman Knight noted that the 2009 Commission removed the entire verbiage and replaced it
2 with something simpler. Atty. Small suggested having Personnel review this section.

3 No Action Taken.

4 **Section 5 – Surety bonds**

5 Chairman Knight said this is irrelevant. Commissioner Kohl said if this is deleted in one section,
6 it must be deleted in the other section.

7 **Motion: Vice-Chair Tatta made a motion to remove current Chapter XIII, Section 5.**
8 **Commissioner Pyskaty seconded the motion.**

9 **Roll Call Vote: Chappell-yes; Kohl-yes; Morgenstein-yes; Carmody-yes; Gingras-yes;**
10 **Pyskaty-yes; Corrigan-yes; Swick-yes; Tatta-yes; Knight-yes**

11 **Section 6 - Salaries**

12 Atty. Small said she wants Personnel to look at this. She said this section has been the subject
13 of some controversy over the years.

14 The Commission reached a consensus to have Personnel look at this Section.

15 **b. Chapter XIV – (Chapter XVI redline version) – Public Utilities**

16 **Section 1 – Board of Public Utilities Commissioners**

17 Chairman Knight said the change was made to read Public Utilities Commission and to read
18 Electric Division, Water and Sewer Division. It was noted the wording still reads "Board of Public
19 Utilities Commission."

20 **Motion: Vice-Chair Tatta made a motion to change Chapter XIV Section 1, Board of**
21 **Public Utilities Commissioners to Public Utilities Commission.**

22 Chairman Knight suggested amending this to open it up to correct this in the entire Charter.

23 **Amended Motion: Vice-Chair Tatta made a motion that throughout the entire**
24 **Charter, anywhere where it is referenced the Board of Public Utilities**
25 **Commissioners will now be Public Utilities Commission. Commissioner Corrigan**
26 **seconded the motion.**

27 **Roll Call Vote: Chappell-yes; Kohl-yes; Morgenstein-yes; Carmody-yes; Gingras-yes;**
28 **Pyskaty-yes; Corrigan-yes; Swick-yes; Tatta-yes; Knight-yes**

1 Chairman Knight asked Atty. Small why the last paragraph "on and after the effective date of
2 this Charter, the Town Electrical Department, the Water Department..." in Chapter 14, Section
3 1, was eliminated.

4 Atty. Small said the first sentence takes care of this and is redundant and can be eliminated.

5 **Motion: A motion by Vice-Chair Tatta to eliminate in Chapter XIV, Section 1, the last**
6 **sentence which begins with "on and after the effective date and ends with Sewer**
7 **Division." Commissioner Kohl seconded the motion.**

8 **Roll Call Vote: Chappell-yes; Kohl-yes; Morgenstein-yes; Carmody-yes; Gingras-yes;**
9 **Pyskaty-yes; Corrigan-yes; Swick-yes; Tatta-yes; Knight-yes**

10 **Section 2 – Appointment and Organization of Public Utilities Commissioners**

11 Chairman Knight said the current Charter states that "no person who holds any other public
12 office or has a business relationship other than a consumer with any of the Public Utilities of
13 the town shall be eligible to be a commissioner."

14 Chairman Knight said more specific language was substituted to read "any Public Utilities
15 Commissioner shall not hold any elected or appointed to the Planning & Zoning Commission,
16 Zoning Board of Appeals, Inland Wetlands Commission or Economic Development Commission
17 in the Town. A Public Utilities Commissioner shall not have a business relationship other than as
18 a consumer with any public utilities of the town."

19 Atty. Small said there was a debate as to what a public office was. Commissioner Morgenstein
20 said there is a lot of money involved in a Town-owned utility and in theory the thought of these
21 people in these positions having influence over budgets and building developments. She said a
22 lot of areas are listed and could understand why this was considered. Chairman Knight said the
23 discussion turned to the definition of a public office. Atty. Small said this is when the
24 controversy was raised. She said this wasn't viewed as being on the Economic Development
25 Commission was a public office. She said if one is on the PUC, it is a lot of work. She said public
26 office isn't a defined term and has raised issues in the past.

27 Commissioner Chappell said he believes to do this would be fixing a problem that doesn't exist.
28 He said this doesn't strike him as something concerning and said he didn't know where he
29 would draw the line. Commissioner Kohl said she agreed and noted the Town Council has to
30 approve any appointee so there is a check and balance. Commissioner Carmody asked how
31 public office is defined.

32 Atty. Small said it isn't. She said the question came up quite a few years ago, she looked for a
33 definition of the term. She said she looked at what type of power an Economic Development
34 Commission had, and it was more of an advisory commission and not viewed as a public office.
35 Atty. Small said there are appointed positions, and one could argue a public office is one that is

1 elected, it is not defined. Commissioner Kohl said one hears about people running for public
2 office. Chairman Knight said this might be worthy of more consideration. Commissioner
3 Morgenstein said she interprets Atty. Small's statement in the opposite way that elected office is
4 the Town Council, but seeming to think Planning & Zoning is public office but are not elected.
5 Atty. Small said there may be a better term and can research this. Chairman Knight said there is
6 confusion on what this term means and it shouldn't be confusing. Commissioner Chappell said it
7 may be as simple as changing to say "any elected office" and take out "other public." Vice-Chair
8 Tatta said it depends on how one reads "public office." Chairman Knight said he believes the
9 Commission would want to eliminate a potential conflict of interest and that there is a cross
10 over between those boards and the PUC. Commissioner Gingras said he believed this was
11 overthought and comes down to what is a public official and noted he believed Commissioner
12 Chappell came up with a good idea by changing the wording to "elected official." He said he
13 didn't care if someone was on the PUC or the EDC and noted there unfortunately are not
14 enough people in Town to fill these Boards and Commissions and this would restrict people. He
15 said he believed what is currently in the Charter is concise and isn't broken. He suggested using
16 "elected officials."

17 Commissioner Chappell said he doesn't believe this section needs to address conflicts of
18 interest. He said this could be an ethics complaint. Commissioner Morgenstein said when she
19 has raised conflicts and people don't see themselves as having a conflict, the answer she gets is
20 that it is a small Town and everyone interacts with each other. She said she was verbal about
21 the ethics discussion because she experienced issues she felt were not completely ethical with
22 people not recusing themselves. She said she doesn't see that just putting it to the Ethics
23 Commission as solving this. She said doesn't agree that narrowing is the way to go and said an
24 elected official theoretically narrows this issue. Commissioner Chappell said the Commission can
25 take no action. Chairman Knight said from a practical standpoint, he couldn't imagine the Mayor
26 wanting to appoint a Town Councilor or the Board of Education to the Public Utilities
27 Commission. He said there may not be a problem, but wants this to be define.

28 Chairman Knight said he got the feeling from discussion this isn't the issue it is being made out
29 to be because there are checks and balances. Commissioner Corrigan said that the Commission
30 said early on with other issues, it wasn't their intention to micromanage any issues.

31 No Action Taken.

32 Chairman Knight noted that on Line 30 it states: "A Commissioner shall hold office until his/her
33 successor has been appointed and qualified." Chairman Knight pointed out "qualified" was
34 changed to "confirmed" in 2009. Commissioner Kohl said qualified came under the election of
35 the Mayor. She said she believed qualified or qualification was left as is because there was no
36 reason to change this.

37 No Changes made.

1 **Section 3 – Contracts, Sales, Leases & Agreements**

2 Chairman Knight said there were no changes made in the 2009 Charter.

3 **Section 4 – Provisions for Production and Distribution of Electricity**

4 No Changes.

5 **Section 5 – Provisions for the Distribution of Water**

6 No Changes.

7 **Section 6 – Provisions for Sewerage Systems**

8 No Changes.

9 **Section 7 – Budget**

10 No Changes.

11 **Section 8 – Separate Division Accounts**

12 Chairman Knight said the 2009 made the change and noted this was changed again to PURA on
13 line 92. He said the 2009 Commission made a change to line 18 which reads "in addition to the
14 forgoing, the Commission shall file with the Town Clerk within (revised to 5 days). Chairman
15 Knight said the 2009 Commission changed this to 7 days. Atty. Small said this sentence is not
16 needed because there is State law. Commissioner Gingras noted that Section 9 was changed
17 by this Commission from "by general law" which was struck and "pursuant to State Statutes"
18 was inserted.

19 He said the Commission also changed the sentence to "shall not be later than the first day of
20 October."

21 **Motion: A motion by Vice-Chair Tatta that in Section 9 – Accounting and Reporting,**
22 **of Chapter XIV, that the lines beginning with "in addition to the forgoing, the Board**
23 **shall file with the Town Clerk, within five days after each of its meetings, a copy of**
24 **the Minutes of such meetings. All such reports shall be kept on file with the Town**
25 **Clerk and shall be open to public inspection" be removed. Commissioner Kohl**
26 **seconded the motion.**

27 Commissioner Morgenstein said the Council has repeatedly that getting the copies of the PUC
28 reports has been difficult. She asked if there was an ability for the Commission to mandate this
29 because of State Statute.

30 **Roll Call Vote: Chappell-yes; Kohl-yes; Morgenstein-yes; Carmody-yes; Gingras-yes;**
31 **Pyskaty-yes; Corrigan-yes; Swick-yes; Tatta-yes; Knight-yes**

1 **Section 10 – Director of Public Utilities, Powers and Duties**

2 Chairman Knight said the change from Superintendent to General Manager was done.

3 **Section 11 – Obligations of Public Utilities Divisions**

4 Chairman Knight said changes were already made.

5 **Section 12 – Financial Provisions**

6 No Changes.

7 **Section 13 – Oversight of the Board by the Council**

8 Chairman Knight said the oversight was dealt with along with the number of votes to override.

9 **c. Chapter XV (Chapter XVII in redline version) – Finance and**
10 **Taxation**

11 **Section 1 – General Form of Budget Presentation**

12 No Changes other than gender.

13 **Section 2 – Departmental Estimates**

14 No Changes

15 **Section 3 – Duties of the Mayor on the Budget**

16 Chairman Knight asked if on line 42, the change was made from Town Planning Commission to
17 the Planning and Zoning Commission.

18 **Motion: A motion by Vice-Chair Tatta that in Chapter XV, Section 3, line 42, that the**
19 **Town Planning Commission be changed to Planning and Zoning Commission.**
20 **Commissioner Chappell seconded the motion.**

21 **Roll Call Vote: Chappell-yes; Kohl-yes; Morgenstein-yes; Carmody-yes; Gingras-yes;**
22 **Pyskaty-yes; Corrigan-yes; Swick-yes; Tatta-yes; Knight-yes**

23 **Section 4 – Duties of the Council on the Budget**

24 Chairman Knight said a change was made in 2009 in line 54 – “sufficient copies of said
25 estimates from 5 to 7 business days prior to the aforementioned public hearing.”

26 Commissioner Morgenstein said longer is better than shorter and nothing in the 5 to 7 business
27 days mentions weekends. She noted there was an issue this past year with Mr. Kennedy

1 wanting documents and having difficulty. Atty. Small said the Commission needs to hear from
2 the Finance Dept. on this issue.

3 Chairman Knight said towards the bottom, a large section starting with line 65, was eliminated -
4 "it is the intent of this Charter that taxes in the Town of Wallingford shall be levied in so far as
5 possible in equitable.... He said the 2009 Commission removed this. Atty. Small said she didn't
6 believe this should be removed. She suggested leaving this in. Commissioner Kohl said what
7 was done didn't make sense, noting the entire paragraph was removed, but left the next
8 paragraph in regarding the cost of any benefits. She said half was left in and half taken in and
9 didn't make sense to her to do half.

10 Chairman Knight noted on line 76, was changed from "a tax of not more than two" to four mills.
11 Atty. Small said she believed this was a State Statute. She said she will check if this is accurate
12 if this should be 4 mills instead of 2 mills. Atty. Small said she believes the changes in the next
13 two paragraphs were signed off in 2009 by the Finance Dept. She said she will look into this.
14 There will be a review of the second, third and fourth paragraphs of Section 4. Commissioner
15 Kohl said the entire thing should be reviewed because in the first paragraph there was the
16 change between 5 and 7 days.

17 **Section 5 – Tax Bills**

18 Chairman Knight said this was completely eliminated. Atty. Small said she will get back to the
19 Commission regarding Sections 5 and 6. She said she will double check on Section 5. Atty.
20 Small said Section 6 can be removed. Commissioner Morgenstein said this was contradictory to
21 say an exception was made except for where it is the rule. Vice-Chair Tatta noted that if we are
22 under the section "Finance & Taxation" it seems each of these sections is something the
23 department must do and if we are taking out sections by law it still has to be done. She said
24 nothing would change whether these sections were in the charter or not. Chairman Knight said
25 the Finance Dept. will be asked to give feedback on this.

26 **Section 7 – Expenditures and Accounting**

27 Chairman Knight said this Commission changed line 128 also changed the verbiage "or another
28 amount as may be amended by Ordinance from time to time."

29 **Motion: A motion by Vice-Chair Tatta that wording be added in Section 7 Chapter XV**
30 **on line 127 "may approve and transfer an amount not to exceed \$500 per fiscal**
31 **year" and add "or another amount as may be amended by Ordinance."**

32 **Commissioner Kohl seconded the motion.**

33 **Roll Call Vote: Chappell-yes; Kohl-yes; Morgenstein-yes; Carmody-yes; Gingras-yes;**
34 **Pyskaty-yes; Corrigan-yes; Swick-yes; Tatta-yes; Knight-yes**

35 **Section 9 – Annual Audit.**

1 Chairman Knight said the 2009 Commission felt the need to add "the Town audit shall be
2 published on the Town Web Page if available".

3 Commissioner Morgenstein asked if the Commission come up with term for possible future
4 media. Commissioner Swick said the Secretary of State's office has a portal for anyone doing an
5 official audit in the State. He said rather than make this complex, this sentence should state "or
6 any other electronic or any State form of media". Chairman Knight said if this is already
7 available, it doesn't have to be referenced in the Town Charter. Commissioner Swick suggested
8 stating "available media."

9 **Motion: A motion by Commissioner Swick that Section 9, Chapter XV, line 174, read:**
10 **"placed in the main branch of the Public Library and/or any available media."**

11 Vice-Chair Tatta said she didn't like "and/or". Commissioner Chappell suggested "as is" and
12 "may be other available media."

13 Commissioner Gingras said the hangup is the word "and/or" pointing out that when and/or is
14 used, it precludes the possibility of this going to the Library and it has to go to the Library.
15 Commissioner Kohl suggested "and may be published on other available media." Commissioner
16 Swick suggested "and possible publication in other available electronic media."

17 Chairman Knight said the Commission doesn't necessarily want to have the Town Charter
18 reference a requirement of media that may not exist in the future.

19 **Commissioner Swick WITHDREW HIS MOTION.**

20 Vice-Chair Tatta went back to her motion in Section 7 stating she believed she placed "2009"
21 incorrectly. She said where "not to exceed \$500" was added, it should say "or another amount
22 as may be amended by Ordinance per Fiscal Year."

23 Vice-Chair Tatta re-read the motion.

24 **Motion: Transfer in the amount not to exceed \$500 or another amount as may be**
25 **amended by Ordinance per Fiscal Year.**

26 Vice-Chair Tatta added another amendment to this motion in Section 7.

27 **Motion: The sentence beginning with "amounts requested above \$500" add "or the**
28 **amount currently set by Ordinance shall be approved or disapproved,"**
29 **Commissioner Kohl seconded this amended motion.**

30 **Roll Call Vote: Chappell-yes; Kohl-yes; Morgenstein-yes; Carmody-yes; Gingras-yes;**
31 **Pyskaty-yes; Corrigan-yes; Swick-yes; Tatta-yes; Knight-yes**

32 **Section 10 – Borrowing**

1 Chairman Knight said the 2009 Commission took out the second paragraph beginning with "The
2 Council or such officials as designated shall determine the rate of interest of such bonds and
3 notes and shall determine the amount of" He asked if the Council did this. Atty. Small said
4 she didn't believe they did but will ask the Finance Dept.

5 **d. Chapter XVI (Chapter XVIII Redline Version) – The Classified**
6 **Service**

7 **Section 1 – The System Established**

8 Chairman Knight asked why the 2009 Commission added on line 4 "removed for cause."

9 Atty. Small said this might have been added as clarification.

10 **Section 2 – The Classified Service**

11 Chairman Knight noted the Animal Control Officer change was done. He said on lines 24 and 25
12 "and grounds for removal from such position" was also eliminated. Atty. Small said when the
13 Mayor creates a job description it doesn't talk about removal. She said it is in the Personnel
14 Rules and the Collective Bargaining Description.

15 **Motion: Vice-Chair Tatta made a motion that in Chapter XVI, Section 2, The**
16 **Classified Service, beginning on line 24, "and grounds for removal from such**
17 **positions" be removed. Commissioner Chappell seconded the motion.**

18 **Roll Call Vote: Chappell-yes; Kohl-yes; Morgenstein-yes; Carmody-yes; Gingras-yes;**
19 **Pyskaty-yes; Corrigan-yes; Swick-yes; Tatta-yes; Knight-yes**

20 Chairman Knight asked about "by resolution" on lines 27 and 28. Atty. Small said this is just a
21 vote. Commissioner Kohl noted that on line 28, "and approval" was added in 2009.

22 **Motion: A motion by Vice-Chair Tatta that in Chapter XVI, Section 2, the words "by**
23 **resolution" be removed in two places: currently on line 27 and line 28 and add "and**
24 **approval" by the Council. Commissioner Corrigan seconded the motion.**

25 **Roll Call Vote: Chappell-yes; Kohl-yes; Morgenstein-yes; Carmody-yes; Gingras-yes;**
26 **Pyskaty-yes; Corrigan-yes; Swick-yes; Tatta-yes; Knight-yes**

27 Chairman Knight noted on line 29, "newer additional positions in the Classified Service may be
28 created" with the words "and changes in the duties and responsibilities of existing positions
29 may be made by resolution of the Council" was eliminated. Atty. Small noted this can already
30 be amended. She said the rest of the sentence should be left. Chairman Knight said "and
31 approval of the Council" should be added. Atty. Small recommended taking out "resolution"
32 which would be consistent.

1 Commissioner Chappell said this could go either way and noted the Commission would be
2 saving a few words. Atty. Small said if the Commission believes the sentence flows better,
3 "resolution" could be left in.

4 **Motion: A motion by Vice-Chair Tatta in Chapter XVI, Section 2, line 30, eliminate**
5 **"may be made by resolution of the Council" and add the words "and approval of the**
6 **Council after Mayor."**

7 Commissioner Kohl suggested not removing "may be made."

8 **Vice-Chair Tatta read the motion from line 29: "new or additional positions in the**
9 **Classified Service may be created, and changes in the duties and responsibilities of**
10 **existing positions, may be made upon the recommendation of the Mayor and**
11 **approval of the Council."** Commissioner Kohl seconded the motion.

12 **Roll Call Vote: Chappell-yes; Kohl-yes; Morgenstein-yes; Carmody-yes; Gingras-yes;**
13 **Pyskaty-yes; Corrigan-yes; Swick-yes; Tatta-yes; Knight-yes**

14 **e. Chapter XVII: (Chapter XIX, Redline Version) – Ethics and Conflict**
15 **of Interest**

16 Atty. Small gave a draft where she took things out to simplify. The Commission will take this up
17 at their Dec. 1 meeting.

18 **f. Chapter XVIII: (Chapter XX, Redline Version) – Transition and**
19 **Miscellaneous Provisions**

20 **Section 1 – Transfers of Power**

21 No Changes

22 **Section 2 – Present Employees to Retain Position**

23 It was noted there was a discussion regarding permanent to full-time positions. Commissioner
24 Kohl pointed out there are permanent and temporary positions and they don't mean the same
25 thing. Atty. Small noted this was discussed in the context of the Town Clerk. She said she
26 recalled the Commission wasn't changing this. Atty. Small suggested waiting until Commissioner
27 Seichter can attend the next meeting to discuss this issue which Atty. Small said he felt strongly
28 about. Chairman Knight suggested getting a comment from the Personnel Director.

29 **Section 3 – Transfer of Records and Property**

30 No Changes.

31 **Section 4 – Legal Proceedings**

1 No Changes.

2 **Section 5 – Existing Laws and Ordinances**

3 No Changes made in 2009.

4 **Section 6 – Amendment of Charter**

5 Commissioner Chappell said this transition, miscellaneous is almost verbatim and are
6 boilerplate. The Commission looked at this Section and in the 2009 version it was written that
7 “a mandatory review shall be taken at 10 year intervals by a Charter Revision Commission.”

8 The Commission had no interest in pursuing that course of action.

9 **Section 7 – Saving Clause**

10 Chairman Knight said nothing was done in this Chapter. Commissioner Chappell noted this
11 meant that if something wasn’t done correctly, the entire charter would not be thrown out.

12 **Section 8 – Modifications and Transfers of Function**

13 Chairman Knight noted this section was completely eliminated. He said the word Selectmen was
14 also eliminated.

15 **Section 9 – Pension Funds**

16 No Changes

17 **Section 10 – Ratification**

18 **Motion: A motion by Commissioner Chappell to delete the existing Section 10,**
19 **Chapter 18 in its entirety. Vice-Chair Tatta seconded the motion.**

20 **Roll Call Vote: Chappell-yes; Kohl-yes; Morgenstein-yes; Carmody-yes; Gingras-yes;**
21 **Pyskaty-yes; Corrigan-yes; Swick-yes; Tatta-yes; Knight-yes**

22 Chairman Knight noted the next page was also eliminated having to do with CT General
23 Statutes relating to petitions. He asked why this was done. Commissioner Chappell said he
24 didn’t believe this was part of the Charter.

25 **Motion: A motion by Vice-Chair Tatta that the Commission remove the section of the**
26 **Charter which is on page 41 and page 42 entitled “CT General Statutes relating to**
27 **Petitions” all four sections removed in their entirety. Commissioner Chappell**
28 **seconded the motion.**

29 **Roll Call Vote: Chappell-yes; Kohl-yes; Morgenstein-yes; Carmody-yes; Gingras-yes;**
30 **Pyskaty-yes; Corrigan-yes; Swick-yes; Tatta-yes; Knight-yes**

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Adjournment

Commissioner Chappell made a motion to adjourn the Meeting at 8:15 p.m. Vice-Chair Tatta seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Cynthia A. Kleist
Recording Secretary