

# CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION

## MEETING MINUTES

**JUNE 2, 2010**

In attendance at the meeting: *Commission Members: John P. Chiota, Esq., Chairman; William*

*Secretary; Russell*

*S. Holden, Vice Chairman; Gail J. Hanna,*

*Paul Timpanelli*

*Friedson, Daniel F. Schopick, Esq., and*

Meeting Called to Order: 7:30 P.M.

The Commission approved the minutes of the May 5, 2010 meeting.

The Commission expressed the importance of the publications of all Notices on the Trumbull Town Website.

The Commission proceeded with the Charter Revision continuing with Chapter III.

### **Chapter III.**

Idea #14 - The possibility of First Selectman, Board of Finance, other counsel.

Idea #15 - Dan Schopick objected to using supplemental money but did not object to the use of outside counsel.

#### *Section 11.-Dog Warden*

Idea #16 - Is the Dog Warden under the police union? Should “Dog Warden” be renamed to “Animal Control”?

Russell Friedson returned to Section 6.-E. and G.

Idea #17 - Any payments to the First Selection should be approved by the Director of Finance and the Treasurer.

Idea #18 - Raise the limit in Paragraph(b) to more than \$1,000.

Idea #19 - A. Can this be deleted?

B. Language needs to be made clearer.

#### *Section 12.-Public Works*

Idea #20 - Combine with existing department.

Idea #21 - B.(b) Is the Board of Education responsible for the maintenance of the school buildings? Could the First Selectman mandate the consolidation of maintenance and the Board of Education?

Idea #22 - Russell Friedson questioning the language of B. (e), top of Page 16, Line 4.

Idea #23 - D. Engineering Department – delete “special”.

Idea #24 - F. Should this be under the Director of Public Works?

Idea #25 - G. John Chiota will look into the compensation of the Tree Warden.

### *Section 13.-Civil Defense*

Idea #26 - The First Selectman to delete. Can this be deleted or is the town required to have this?

### *Section 14.-Building Department*

Idea #27 - Building official needs to be independent.

Idea #28 - D. Building Code of Appeals. Is this necessary?

Idea #29 - E. Housing Board of Appeals. Is this necessary?

Idea #30 - Change the date extending adoption cycle for all town bodies.

Idea #31 - “Veto First Selectman”. What does this refer to?

Russell Friedson back to Page 19 A.1&2.

Idea #32 - Budgeted revenue and expenses shall include normal operating accounts, enterprise accounts and special agency funds.

*Section 4.-Effective Date of Budget*

Idea #33 - Dates need to be changed in Section 3.B.(i) and, if so, dates will also need to be changed in Section 5.

Idea #34 - Key Date Chart for budget.

The commission will continue with **Chapter V through Chapter VIII** at the next meeting on July 7, 2010.

Meeting Adjourned 9:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted:

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Marilou Mangiamele

