

HARVARD CHARTER COMMISSION  
August 11, 2016 Minutes  
Town Hall, Harvard MA

Commissioners present: Paul Cohen, Cindy Russo, Peter Warren, George McKenna, Rick Maiore, Stephanie Oplaka, absent: Sharon McCarthy, Charles Redinger, Ron Ostberg..

7:00 PM.....Meeting called to order by Chair, Paul Cohen

7:05 PM.....Minutes of May 25, 2016 accepted as corrected, Approved June/21 minutes

7:15 PM.....Discussion on model charter. Paul Cohen introduced a schedule taking the commission to a Nov. 17 public hearing on the model charter. The commission approved the schedule. Article 5&6 need more work, George McKenna agreed to complete by contacting current FC and CIPC chairs. Minor comments on other articles.

7:45 PM.....Discussion on how the conduct of the meetings with the various boards should occur, consensus was to use the format that worked with our May 25<sup>th</sup> PH. The chair would make an opening statement to be followed by presentations by the visitors. After some discussion it was felt that the commission should avoid being a financial conduit for their wish list, but address the fundamental structure that could improve their performance.

Next regular meeting will be on Thursday, September 1, 2016 at 7PM, in Town Hall..

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM

Rick Maiore (Temporary Recorder)