



Bylaw Review Committee Meeting Minutes

December 11, 2023

Committee Members in Attendance: Eric Grund, Chair; Rachel Rivkind, Vice Chair (via Zoom);
Members: Fred Freeman, Joan Kuhn

Committee Member Absent: Thomas Coogan

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Grund at 7:01pm in the First Floor Advisory Room

The minutes of the October 25, 2023, meeting were approved by those present.

Mr. Grund noted he saw a posting on Facebook announcing that the Select Board will accept articles for the 2024 Annual Town Meeting Warrant until Thursday, January 25, 2024, at 12:00 noon.

Ms. Rivkind said she received notification that she must complete Ethics Training. In following up she learned that the Town will be moving to an on-line process which will be announced shortly and wanted the Committee to be aware of this upcoming change.

The Committee had a robust discussion of changes that we could make to existing bylaws. The focus was mainly on consistency in the use of terms within each bylaw. A possibility would be to create a list of definitions that could be proposed as a bylaw for a future warrant.

Mr. Grund will ask the Town Clerk if the committee can have a Word copy of the existing and approved Bylaws for ease of review and editing.

Ms. Kuhn asked if our committee has the authority to change wording in the bylaws for consistency throughout the document. Further, would the committee be allowed to change any wording for greater clarification. Mr. Grund agreed to ask the Town Manager if he would ask the Town Counsel to confirm what the committee can and can't do.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 8, 2024, at 7pm.

A motion was made and accepted to adjourn the meeting at 8:10pm

Respectfully submitted: Joan Kuhn