

Town of North Attleborough, Massachusetts
Charter Transition Committee
Meeting (#6) Minutes
Wednesday June 10, 2019

I. Call to order and Attendance

Chairman Mark Fisher called the meeting of the Charter Transition Committee (CTC) to order at 6:00 PM on at the North Attleboro Police Dept.

This meeting was specifically for Town Council Candidates.

In attendance were Chairman Mark Fisher, members, Clerk Donald Bates, Deb Kohl, Anthony Rinaldi and Chis Sweet. Guests attending included the Council Candidates

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. Administrative

- Mark introduced the CTC members and the purpose of the committee.
- Meeting minutes of May 20 & June 4, 2019. were reviewed and approved 5-0 Yes.
- Upcoming meetings
 - June 17th – Appointed officials who have no staff

III. Mark led the following discussions

- The groups the CTC has met with were reviewed
- Information, Tabs 1 – 9 from the “Town Council Reference Material” handbook was reviewed in detail.
 - For details refer to the document “Notes: June 10, 2019 Meeting with Town Council Candidates. This was distributed to committee members on June 10th.
- Selected highlights
 - The Charter Commission has recommended Bylaw changes made necessary by the implementation of the charter.
 - The Charter overrides the Bylaw should there be a disagreement between the two documents.
 - The CTC recommends Town Council create a subcommittee to review all bylaws.
 - No Attleboro’s Master Plan – the CTC recommends that the Town Council pay close attention to the Master Plan and its connection to economic growth.

- The vision for economic growth is the responsibility Town Manager as overseen by the Town Council.
- Note on Harassment: those reporting harassment are protected people under the law as whistle blowers.
- Social media: write nothing on social media that you wouldn't want the "world" to see because they will.
- Email: keep in mind that your email is a public document

IV. Adjournment

The committee adjourned at 8:08 pm

Submitted by Don Bates
Charter Transition Committee Member
June 16, 2019