

MINUTES
CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE
HELD ON MONDAY, March 9th, 2020, 5:30 PM
915 S. TOVREAVILLE ROAD, BISBEE, AZ 85603

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY BOYD NICHOLL AT 5:30 PM

ROLL CALL: Ashlee Coronado

CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE

Ward I

Danielle Bouchever

Sean Hicks- Not present

Thomas Holz- Resigned

Boyd Nicholl

Ward II

William Crow- Not present

Lisbeth Hines- Not Present

Fred Miller

Catherine Wright

Ward III

Oney Crowley

Duane Earl Doane

Juanetta Hill- Excused

Sandra Hummingbird

Original Freeholder: Tom Wheeler- Not Present

Former Committee Member: Sylvia Anable- Excused

CITY COUNCIL LIAISON

David M. Smith, Mayor

CITY STAFF LIAISON

Theresa Coleman, City Manager

Ashlee Coronado, City Clerk

CITY ATTORNEY

James Ledbetter

1. Discussion and Possible Recommendations or Decisions starting with: Article XI, Magistrate Court and continuing through remainder of Articles

Article XI. Magistrate Court

Section 11.01 Establishment

Section 11.02 State laws Control

Section 11.03 Presiding Officer

Section 11.04 Judicial Selection

(a) Judicial Selection Committee

(b) Appointment and term of City Magistrate

(c) Dissolution of Judicial Selection Committee

Section 11.05 Disposition of Fines, Penalties, and Fees

Section 11.06 Ordinances to Give Effect

Section 11.07 Consolidation Justice Court

Article XII. Franchise and Public Utilities

Section 12.01 Elections for Approval of Franchise

Section 12.02 Establishment of Municipality Owned and Operated Utilities

Article XIII Public Records

Article XIV General Provisions

Section 14.01 Official Bonds

Section 14.02 Oath of Office

Section 14.03 Liability Insurance

Section 14.04 Short Title

Section 14.05 Severability Clause

Section 14.06 Violations of Charter and City Ordinances; Imprisonment of Violators

Section 14.07 Plenary and Implied Powers of the Council

Section 14.08 Council meetings to be Recorded

Article XV Gender

Discussed removing “Gender” as Article XI adding City Attorney’s at the beginning of the Charter as either a preamble or disclaimer (to be determined). City Liaison to make inquiry about how best to add first paragraph City attorney recommendations “References to Gender in the City Charter”. No vote until guidance obtained.

Discussed changing Article XV to Prohibition Against Discrimination using City Attorney’s second and 3rd paragraph from “References to Gender in the City Charter”

Committee to make a vote next meeting after receiving guidance from City Liaison.

Article XVI Succession in Government

Fred Miller motioned to strike all of Article XVI. Seconded by Oney Crowley. Passed Unanimously.

Article XVII Amendments

Section 17.01 Method of Amendment

Section 17.02 Charter Review

Discussion on tabled on Section 7.05 Tax response. Waiting for legal guidance and will decide next meeting if changes should be made.

Discussion on Section 2.19 Consideration of Petitions. It was decided to leave as is.

Adjournment: 6:45 PM

MOTION: Fred Miller

SECOND: Catherine Wright

MOTION PASSED: Unanimously