

Advisory Committee
October 10, 2015
Kingsbury Room, Police Station

Tom Frisardi called the meeting of the Wellesley Advisory Committee to order at 8:00am. Those present included Tom Fitzgibbons, Chad Harris, John Hartnett, Mike Hluchyj, Mark Kaplan, Michael Mastrianni, Frank Pinto, Alena Poirier, Sara Raveret, Mason Smith, Scott Tarbox, and Kathleen Woodward.

Citizen Speak

Michael D'Ortenzio addressed the committee in support of the requirement that the Town Clerk reside in Wellesley. He argued that because the Town Clerk is accountable for the elections of the town, certifying vital records, and critical decisions as to how the Town operates, the Town Clerk position should be held by a Wellesley resident.

Approval of Minutes:

None were presented at this time.

Advisory Committee discussion of Special Town Meeting Warrant:

Town Government Study Committee members Tom Ulfelder, Gig Babson, and Rose Mary Donahue were in attendance, along with Board of Selectmen Ellen Gibbs and Marjorie Freiman. The Advisory Committee discussed questions posed by the Chair: What are the concerns that the TGSC sought to address? How does the TGSC propose to address the concerns? How well does the TGSC's proposal address the concerns? What does the Town have to do to implement the TGSC's proposals? How well does the Special Act and the Bylaw amendments implement the TGSC's proposal? Are the TGSC measures ready to proceed to a Town Meeting vote? What should be our overarching message to Town Meeting? What ought to be done to adapt the culture of our Town government to the change?

The Advisory Committee then discussed Special Town Meeting Warrant Articles 3, 4, 6, and 7.

Old Business/New Business

Work on the DPW's salt shed revealed soil contamination; funding from the Advisory Committee Reserve Fund might be sought to help with the remediation.

Liaison Reports

Upcoming HHU meetings were discussed.

The Advisory Committee will meet at 7:00pm on October 14 in the Juliani Room of Town Hall.

Tom Frisardi adjourned the meeting at 11:25am with no objections.