CHARTER RIVISION MEETING MINUTES JUNE 16, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 7:30PM by Margaret West Secretary.

Roll Call: Margaret West, Brett Olbrys, Keith O'Hara, Ed Roman (arrived at 7:45PM) Maureen Stachowicz (phone).

Audience of Citizens: None

Acceptance of Minutes: June 2, 2015

Keith made a motion to correct spelling of ensure to ensue, 8-10 Fire Commission discussion after Board of Selectmen approval, seconded.

Motion Carried: Unanimous

Brett made a motion to add a comma after "approved" in Section 6-9A & 6-9B.

Motion Carried: Unanimous

There being no other corrections Margaret called for a vote to accept minutes as corrected.

Motion Carried 1 abstention

Unfinished Business: Board of Education sections 2-5(A).

Margaret explained that after reviewing the new section 2-5A it covers everything in that section (B-F), she further commented that making it simple is better.

Brett made a motion to leave section 2-5A as approved on 6/2/2015, with no other changes to sections 2-5 B-F, seconded.

Motion Carried: Unanimous

New Business:

<u>Website:</u> Brett gave background history on the website committee. The website committee was put in the charter to keep the website up to date and to add consistency. He explained that he was the one doing the updates for a along time. When he resigned Margaret volunteered to temporary help departments and commissions with any updates they needed.

Margaret explained that since Brett resigned there were 2 committees appointed. Both committees, the current one and the previous have been basically none functioning. The current committee has had only one meeting since they were appointed and that meeting was in December. The Committee before that was a one man committee who made all the decisions. It is ultimately up to the Board of Selectmen to make sure the town web site is up and running and current. However they want to approach it is really up to them.

Discussion ensued around the committee aspect and how other towns approach their Website. Margaret pointed out that she did research on other towns and found that there is either an IT department or they are paying another employee a stipend. There was no consistency in towns that didn't have an IT Department or didn't pay an employee. It ends up on someone's desk at the bottom of the pile and it does not get done. Keith O'Hara asked if the website was in the charter any where else. It was discussed that it is mentioned in other sections as to information that has to be posted. Margaret feels that because the committees are not working and the website has to be updated on a regular basis this approach is not working.

Brett made a motion to accept the following changes to 8-17, seconded.

Section 8-17: Website Committee

(A) The Board of Selectmen <u>may</u> appoint a Website Committee which shall be responsible for the continuous maintenance and updating of the Town of Oxford's municipal website located at <u>http://www.oxford-ct.gov</u>.

There being no discussion Margaret called for a vote:

Motion carried: Unanimous

Brett made a motion to add the new effective date to Section 10-5 (B), seconded:

Sixth Revision approved November 2015, effective January 1, 2016.

Motion carried: Unanimous

Brett made a motion to set public hearing on June 24, 2015 at 7:00PM, seconded;

There being no discussion Margaret called for a vote.

Motion carried: Unanimous

Keith made a motion to adjourn at 8:29PM, seconded.

Respectfully submitted, Margaret A West Secretary

