

**Meeting Minutes, West Warwick Charter Review Commission
Wednesday, January 20, 2010 6:30PM
Place: Town Council Chambers, Town Hall
1170 Main Street West Warwick, RI**

- A. Meeting called to order by Commission Chairman Henseler at 6:37PM**
- B. Pledge of Allegiance**
- C. Roll Call-**

Members present:

**Felix Appolonia
Mark Bourget
Giovanni Calise
Ronald Nunes
Sean Henseler
Frank Parente, Sr
Barbara Tabak
Brian Tucker**

Joseph Gardosik- late arrival

- D. Secretary determines a quorum is present. Two audience members present.**
- E. Motion made by Felix Appolonia to waive to reading of the previous meeting minutes. Motion second by Ronald Nunes. Motion carries by unanimous vote.**
- F. Motion made by Felix Appolonia to accept previous meeting minutes. Motion second by Ronald Nunes. Motion carries by unanimous vote.**
- G. Audience member Jack Lancelotta, 32 River Ave. gave personal view of mayoral and Town Manager forms of government.**
- H. Article 101- No change**
- I. Discussion- Article 102- Mayoral form of government or Town Manager/Town Council. Unanimous vote to recommend to Town Council that option of mayoral form of government be placed on ballot.**
- J. Articles 103 and 104- No change**
- K. Article 201- No Change**

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L. Discussion of legality of making Town Manager residency requirement of employment. Consensus of the commission that Town Manager need not be a resident at time of appointment but should be within one year. Commission will seek advice of Town Solicitor on the matter to check compliance with state law.

M. Articles 305, 306, 307- No change

N. Article 307- Commission vote of 7-2 in favor of majority vote of full Town Council to remove Town Manager replacing current 4-1 super majority Council vote to remove Manager. Commission will craft language for removal with cause at a future date.

O. Article 308-H- Motion made by Vice-Chair Calise to remove language from the article "except School Committee". Second by Mark Bourget. Motion carries by unanimous vote. Change is subject to approval by Town Solicitor.

P. Next meeting agenda set to cover Articles 4, 5, 6, 7

Q. Motion to adjourn made by Secretary Tucker, second by Vice-Chair-Calise. Motion carries by unanimous vote. Meeting adjourned at 9:20.

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