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MEETING OF THE CHARTER COMMITTEE

Minutes of February 13, 2025

The first meeting of the Charter committee was held in person on Thursday, February 13, 2025, at 6:00 PM. In attendance: Steven Albert, Mike Burns, Dale Bergevine, Brian Kelly, Carol Lerch, Pat Stewart, Elzbieta Nowakowski.

The meeting was called to order by convener Brian Kelly. Mr. Kelly outlined the agenda for the meeting and the timeline of the charter review process. For the charter to be included in the Town Meeting Warrant, the charter would be presented to the select board on or before April 14.

Nominations for committee chair were opened, and a vote was taken.

MOTION: Accept Steve Albert as chair and Carol Lerch as secretary, duly seconded, and approved.

The review process was discussed, and plans were made to have an open session at the Senior Center, in the downstairs meeting room, on February 25, from 6-8 PM. Residents of the town are invited to share their ideas at the open session, regular committee meetings and by emailing the committee at Questions@plainville.ma.us.

Public Comment will close on March 14 to allow the committee time to discuss and incorporate any updates to the Charter.

ACTIONS: Committee members will identify cues to elicit discussion at the open meeting. Committee members will identify questions for a survey of residents on the Charter and will discuss their own questions/suggestions at the next meeting.

Charter sections open for discussion will be identified in the meeting agendas, and residents are invited to attend and join the discussion on those topics in the Public Comment sections of each meeting.

Meeting dates were established:

February 20, 6 PM, at the Public Safety Building

February 25, 6-8 PM, downstairs at the Senior Center for Open Meeting

March 4, 6 PM, at the Public Safety Building

March 13, 6 PM, at the Public Safety Building

March 20, 6 PM, at the Public Safety Building

March 27, 6 PM, at the Public Safety Building

April 2, 6 PM, at the Public Safety Building

April 10, 6 PM, at the Public Safety Building

MOTION: to adjourn at 7:46, duly seconded and approved.