

**TOWN OF SOMERS
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
SPECIAL JOINT MEETING w/ CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION MINUTES
Tuesday, July 1, 2025
5:00PM
Town Hall Auditorium**

A.) CALL TO ORDER: First Selectman Tim Keeney called the meeting to order at 5:00pm.

1. Pledge of Allegiance: All members participated in the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Roll Call: First Selectman Tim Keeney, Selectmen Bill Meier and Bob Schmidt, Charter Revision members Scott Kaupin-Chairman, John Parks- Vice Chairman, Theresa Schmidt- Secretary, Thomas Clark, Edward DePeau, Michael Marinaccio and Town liaison to the Charter Commission Karen Neal.

B.) PUBLIC COMMENT:

1. Public Comment: None

C.) NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussion on Charter Revision Commission Report Submitted to the Board of Selectmen on June 23, 2025.

The Board of Selectmen formally expressed its appreciation to the Charter Revision Commission for their exemplary work and for the thoughtful and transparent modifications made to the Charter Revision process. A Lengthy discussion followed.

The Board of Selectmen has identified and agreed upon three modifications, which are detailed below. The changes and additions are presented in Bold and italicized for clarity.

1. Under Draft of the explanatory text Ballot Question No. 2. By Charter, the First Selectman remains the CEO of the Town, and the new Town Administrator will be the CAO reporting to the First Selectman for day-to-day matters and ultimately reporting to ***(to be added) the Board of Selectman.***
2. Under the Draft of the explanatory text Ballot Question No. 2. Under Specific Charter changes needed - Section 4-6 (b) Appointment: ***(To be added) "The Town Administrator's Performance and Compensation will be reviewed annually*** and delete "indefinite Term".
3. Under the Draft of the explanatory text Ballot Question No. 2. Under Specific Charter changes needed - Section 4-6 (c) Duties and Responsibilities. Paragraph 3 – the Town Administrator or the ***(to be added) First Selectman*** may, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, enter into contracts or agreements with the United States Government, or any agency thereof; with the State of Connecticut or any agency or political subdivision thereof; any person, body politic, corporation, firm or partnership.

D.) ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Meier made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:37pm, seconded by Mr. Schmidt. The motion unanimously passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim LaFleur-Recording

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