

# CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION



## AGENDA

**Regular Meeting  
Tuesday June 17, 2014  
Mario Gatti Office Building, 50 Church Street  
6:30 p.m.**

1. Call to order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Public input
4. Approval of the June 3, 2014 Public Hearing Minutes
5. Correspondence
6. New Business
  - a. See Attached List for Discussion
7. Public input (Agenda Items Only)
8. Commissioner's Comments
9. Adjournment

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## TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

JUNE 17, 2014

- Consideration for all Budget Voting going to Referendum
  - Limits to number of Referendums
  - Length of time between Referendums
  - Set default increase after multiple failed Referendums
- Combine Commissions (at least seven members each)
  - Police/Fire
  - Board of Selectmen/Board of Finance
- Change the Charter to allow certain decisions be made by BOS rather than a Town Meeting
- Review wording of existing Charter for relevance to 2014
- Clarify 805C
  - Increase the numerical threshold for new budget items
- Require the Chairman and Vice Chairman of Commissions to exchange roles yearly
- Set stricter regulations for Blight Ordinance
- Change the term for First Selectman to four years.
  - Disqualify loser from automatic entry to the Board
  - Stagger election years for First Selectman and Second Selectmen
- Clarify the independence of the First Selectman relative to the entire Board
- Consider making Town Clerk and Tax Collector positions civil service
- Update gender usage of “Selectmen”
- Consider adding more to the website,(i.e., notification of referendum)
- Fix spelling errors and grammatical errors in existing Charter