

# **CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION**

# **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

February 26, 2008 Room 204 7:00 P.M.

**Commissioners Present:** Steve Bellis

Susan Coyle excused at 8:00 pm Michael Davis excused at 8:15 pm

Paul DiMauro

Chris Gallo

Ken Nappi arrived at 8:00 pm

Irene Smith

**Commissioners Absent:** Jack Bashar

**Bob Lally** 

### CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Paul DiMauro called the Regular Meeting of the Charter Revision Commission to order at 7:04 P.M.

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Commissioner Bellis motioned to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Charter Revision Commission of February 13, 2008. Commissioner Coyle seconded the motion.

A voice vote was taken; motion passed unanimously.

# **COMMUNICATION**

Chairman DiMauro received correspondence from Noreen McGorty, Chairman of Shelton's EMS Committee. (see attached)

## **DISCUSSION OF PROPOSED CHANGES TO 1994 CHARTER**

At this time, the Commission discussed the proposed changes to the existing Charter regarding typographical and grammatical errors as well as any changes regarding new State Statutes or will not be required due to adoption of new Charter. (Draft #1-Revision #1-2/26/08 to be available on web)

The Committee began a review for discussion only, of changes that may be incorporated into the proposed Charter.

Letters will go out to all Commissions and Boards stating that the Charter Revision Commission will be accepting any correspondence, in writing, as to if they wish to address the Commission.

Commissioners Nappi and Gallo, as a sub-committee, will meet with the Fire Department to address any issues.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

<u>Commissioner Bellis motioned to adjourn the Charter Revision Meeting of</u> February 26, 2008. Commissioner Gallo seconded the motion.

#### A voice vote was taken; motion passed unanimously.

Chairman DiMauro adjourned the meeting at 8:47 P.M.

The next meeting of the Charter Revision Commission is scheduled for Tuesday, March 11, 2008 at 7:00 P.M. in Room 204 at City Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

# Sophia V. Belade

Sophia V. Belade Charter Revision Clerk

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**From:** Noreen McGorty [mailto:nmcgorty@spruceinvest.com]

Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 5:40 PM

To: Paul DiMauro

**Subject:** Shelton 's Public Safety Council Charter Revision

Paul,

I am the Chairman of Shelton's EMS Commission. I have been attending and participating in the Shelton Public Safety Council meetings for several years. Unfortunately I am unable to vote because the charter was written when the Fire Department was responsible for EMS and was therefore not separately listed. As you may or may not be aware, EMS has significantly changed over the years and is an integral part of Emergency Services and public safety to Shelton . I feel it is extremely important that EMS be represented by those individuals that are familiar with not only day to day operations but also the EMS Plan. The Fire Department is not involved with the operations or management of EMS . I suggest to be added as voting members but I am not sure on how to go about making that happen. Below is the charter as it states today:

#### 6.9.1 Public Safety Council:

The City shall have a Public Safety Council, consisting of the Mayor, who shall serve as Chairman, the Chief of Police, the Fire Chief, the Fire Marshal, the Director of Civil Defense, and the Director of Public Works. The Public Safety Council shall coordinate the public safety functions of the Police Department, the Fire Department, the Civil Defense Department and the Department of Public Works.

As you can see EMS is not mentioned at all. Please provide me with some direction on what steps need to be taken to facilitate this requested change. I look forward to hearing from you. Thank you.

Kind regards,

Noreen

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