5th Charter Commission Minutes for 6.16.2022

Town of Hartford, Vermont
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Minutes of 16 June 2022

Present: Committee members: F. X. Flinn; Lynn Bohi; Lannie Collins; Michele Boleski; Dan Nott; Gabrielle Lucke (arrived at 11:31);
Lannie Collins (left at 12:15), Gabrielle Lucke, and Lynn Bohi joined in person at town hall, the remainder of the participants were on zoom.

Meeting called to order at 11:07 PM.
1. FX moved to adopt the minutes from previous meeting. Adopted by unanimous consent.
2. Meeting Dates set for July and August on the same schedule.
3. F.X. moved to accept the new town meeting language, seconded and adopted.
4. Dan brought up petition language and a lack of clarity around the number of citizens required for different petition mechanisms in the town’s charter. Members discussed how to add clarity to petition thresholds without redundancy.
5. Lannie discussed the local option taxes language and the committee discussed if there was a way to designate the cannabis portion of the proceeds to health and safety. Members discuss that we may not be able to tax cannabis without a town-wide 1% local option tax. Lannie is going to bring this discussion back to the Cannabis Control Board.
6. Gabrielle discussed the Town Manager position and a lack of clarity and consistency in job description. Gabrielle discussed the need to search deeper for this information.

Lynn adjourned the meeting adjourned 12:33 pm