

TOWN GOVERNMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE

Minutes of May 17, 2012 meeting

Meeting called to order at 7:04 PM

Members in attendance were Boyd Jackson, Al Wallace, Jan Ablon, Holger Luther, George Anderson

Others in attendance were: Ginna Wilder, Laura Powers, Dick Gandt

Discussed:

- We reviewed and discussed the changes to George Hall's "An Act Establishing a Strong Town Administrator Form of Government for the Town of Topsfield" as submitted at the May 3 meeting.
- We renewed the discussion of whether the Board of Assessors and Town Clerk should be appointed or elected and agreed that the own Clerk should be appointed by the Town Administrator and the Board of Assessors should be appointed by the BOS.
- Reviewed documents submitted by the Town Clerk "Top 10 Reasons Why Topsfield Should Elect a Town Clerk" and "Pros and Cons-Elected VS Appointed Clerk".
- We reviewed a list of potential questions that might be asked by BOS or the public about our suggested changes to the form of government.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:29 PM