ATH Warrant, Article 35, Technical and Corrective Amendments

Note: The comments are not included in the motion and are shown for only informational purposes. Paragraphs that are not proposed to be amended are not shown and are intended to not be deleted unless such action is specifically stated or shown in this motion.

MOVED that the Town vote to make corrective amendments to the following General By-Laws that define the title, membership, or role and responsibilities of several of the Town’s agencies or officers, errors, and recodify contiguous sections, sub-sections, and paragraphs as necessary, as recommended by the General By-Law Review Committee, including:

ARTICLE 2.40. Committees

ART. 2.40. SECTION 2. Membership, Appointment and Organization

A. MEMBERSHIP
No person whose principal residence is not within the Town of Wrentham and who is not a registered voter of the Town of Wrentham may be appointed by the Board of Selectmen or the Moderator to serve on any town committee. Any member of a committee, or of an elected board who removes from the town shall be deemed to have vacated his/her office. The provisions of this section shall not apply to any ex-officio positions or those specifically provided for by town bylaw. Any person appointed to any committee must be duly sworn in by the Wrentham Town Clerk or any other state authorized authority within sixty (60) days of the date of the appointment or the appointing authority may consider that the person has declined the appointment and may appoint someone else.

ARTICLE 3.30. Procurement and Chief Procurement Officer

ART. 3.30. SECTION 2. Competitive Public Bidding
The Town of Wrentham shall use competitive bidding procedures as specified in M.G.L. c. 30B for any contract of $25,000 and over. Section 1 (b) of Chapter 30B, the exemptions from 30B, shall continue to apply except that the designer exception in Section (15) will be revoked. When the actual or estimated amount of a proposed contract amounts to ten thousand dollars or more, such contract shall be awarded in accordance with the terms specified under Chapter 30B of the General Laws, as amended.

The bids shall be sealed, properly endorsed, and kept under lock and key until opened at the time stated, in the presence of board, committee or officer authorized by the town to make the contract. No bids shall be received after the time advertised for opening. Any or all bids may be rejected.

ARTICLE 4.10. Financial Affairs

ART. 4.10. SECTION 6. Departmental Fees
C. Each year while preparing the Town’s annual operating budget for the ensuing fiscal year, each officer, elected board, committee and department that is authorized to charge a fee for service shall analyze the cost of providing such service and recommend any appropriate revisions to the Board of Selectmen or other elected board that is the appointing authority.
ARTICLE 4.60. Finance Committee

ART. 4.60. SECTION 1. General

B. The Committee shall consist of seven (7) members who are registered voters, and who shall be appointed by the Moderator. No member of the Committee shall be an elected official, paid committee member or town employee. An employee of the Town shall be deemed to mean one whose position or employment has not been expressly classified as that of a special employee under the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 268A, Section 1.

ARTICLE 4.70. Capital Budget Planning Committee

ART. 4.70. SECTION 1. General

B. The Committee shall be composed of nine (9) members. The Town Moderator with the cooperation of the committee or elected board chair shall appoint the following members: one member of the Board of Selectmen, one member of the Planning Board, one member of the Finance Committee, one member of the Wrentham Elementary School Committee, one member of the King Philip Regional School Committee who shall be a resident of Wrentham as well as a registered voter, and two (2) residents-at-large who are registered voters and hold no public office. The Town Administrator or his/her designee, and the Finance Director and his/her designee shall serve as ex-officio, non-voting members.

ARTICLE 5.10. Police Department

ART. 5.10. SECTION 11. Civil Fingerprinting

A. Criminal History Check Authorization

The Board of Selectmen is authorized to promulgate regulations for the implementation of this the proposed by-law, but in doing so it is recommended that they consult with the Chief of Police, Town Counsel and the Massachusetts Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (or its successor agency) to ensure that such regulations are consistent with the statute, the FBI's requirements for access to the national database, and other applicable state laws.

ARTICLE 6.60. Town Common Landscape Memorial Committee

ART. 6.60. SECTION 1. General

B. This committee shall be appointed by the Board of Selectmen and shall consist of nine (9) members as follows: One (1) member of the Board of Selectmen to serve ex-officio; the DPW Superintendent to serve ex-officio; the Tree Warden to serve ex-officio; and six (6) seven (7) citizens at large; and one (1) associate citizen at large who shall serve in the absence of any regular appointed member of the Town Common Landscape/Memorial Committee who is unable to attend meetings of said Committee.

ARTICLE 7.80. Technical Review Committee

ART. 7.80. SECTION 1. General

A. It is the intention of the Town that every department, board and committee, and their agents
and employees, boards that are responsible for reviewing and/or acting on applications for
the sub-division or development of land, especially within the business and commercial
zoning districts (including but not limited to districts B-2, C-1, and C-2), shall act expeditiously
and in concert with those boards that are also reviewing and/or acting on the application.

C. The Board shall accomplish these purposes by acting jointly, as the Technical Review
Committee (TRC). The TRC shall consist of eight members, including the Town Planner, Health Agent, Conservation Agent, or representatives of the Planning Board, Board
of Health, Conservation Commission if the appropriate staff member is not available, Police
Department, Fire Department, Department of Public Works, Commission on Disabilities, and
Building Inspection Department. The representatives shall be appointed by the Board of
Selectmen on the recommendation of the Chairperson or head of the respective elected
board, committee or department.

ARTICLE 7.100. Host Community Committee

ART. 7.100. SECTION 1. General

B. The Committee shall be appointed by the Moderator, and consist of:

1. Voting Members—The Moderator shall appoint the Board of Selectmen, a member of the
Board of Selectmen, a member of the Finance Committee, two (2) three (3) citizens at-
large, one (1) member of the Economic Development Commission, and two (2) five (5)
alternate members from the citizens at-large to fill the seats of any member(s) who
cannot act on a matter due to a conflict of interest, whether such conflict is personal or
relates to the performance of inconsistent statutory duties.

2. Ex-officio Non-Voting Members – The Fire Chief, the Police Chief, the Building Inspector,
the Superintendent of the Department of Public Works, the Superintendent of the
Wrentham Public Schools, the Finance Director, or his/her designee, and the Town
Administrator.

ART. 7.100. SECTION 2. Role and Responsibility

C. While fulfilling its responsibilities the Committee may request comments or information from
any town official or employee who shall give the Committee their full cooperation to identify,
evaluate and quantify the financial or other impact on the Town.

ARTICLE 8.30. Recreation Commission

ART. 8.30. SECTION 1. General

A. There shall be a standing committee known as the Recreation Commission as authorized by
M.G.L. c. 454E, s. 14.