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CHESTER GOVERNANCE STUDY COMMITTEE- DRAFT MINUTES
January 27, 2023 at 11:00AM

Location: Chester Town Office Meeting Room and Online

The meeting of the Chester Governance Study Committee was called to order by Co-Chair Mike Sanders at 2:36. Governance Study Committee members Pat Bandzes, Cindy Lignar, First Selectman Ed Meehan, Briana Jewczyn (remote), Richard Strauss and Co-Chair Jon Joslow were in attendance. Several residents attended remotely.

No votes were taken.

Mike is going to work on and finish a 2nd report draft over the weekend, editing with suggestions provided yesterday, and work with Richard or any of us as needed to complete.

Mike will provide us with a completed or very near completed report before he leaves for 4 weeks on Thursday, February 2.

We are going to use Jon's presentation format with editing.

Our communication style must be thoughtful, non-biased, not overly directive and intended to communicate Potential Next Steps/ Potential Next Steps for Consideration, which are our recommendations per the study charge. The town leadership and the public will be responsible to make their own informed decisions.

We are going to submit the final report to the BOS for their review at least 1 week before we present it to them at a BOS meeting to be determined.

Before the BOS meeting, we are going to provide a separate CGS results presentation to the public, date TBD.

The town hall will need to provide public notice prior to the meeting using various methods of communication, including social media and notice in the Valley Courier.

A suggestion was made by audience member Karin Badger to send postcards town-wide in an attempt to reach all in town to notify of the pending presentation.

The meeting adjourned at 12:46.

Submitted by Jon Joslow, Co-Chair