

Board of Selectpersons
Notice of Public Hearing
Tuesday, August 5, 2025
6:30 pm

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A public hearing will be held on Tuesday, August 5, 2025 at 6:30 pm in the Norma Drummer Room, Seymour Town Hall, 1 First Street, Seymour, CT to discuss the following:

1. Draft report and recommended changes to the Seymour Town Charter as submitted by the Charter Revision Commission

Dated at Seymour, CT this 9th day of July, 2025, by the Board of Selectpersons



Annmarie Drugonis,
First Selectwoman

Charter Revision Commission

Draft Report and Comments On Board of Selectperson Recommendations

On November 6, 2024 the Seymour Board of Selectpersons (the "Board") formed a Charter Revision Commission (the "Commission"). After numerous meetings, public hearings and testimony, the Commission submits the attached, current Charter of the Town of Seymour, with amendments as proposed by the Commission included therein in redline format.

Subsequent thereto, the Board appointed members to the Commission, and made the following recommendations for consideration by the Commission. Following each recommendation is the action taken by the Commission in response thereto:

1- The form of Town government.

Discussed but no changes recommended.

2- Revisions to Charter Section 6.1 regarding the process for considering votes cast for the election of the First Selectperson and Board of Selectpersons.

Discussed but no changes recommended.

3- Whether the Planning and Zoning Commission should be elected or appointed.

Appointed commission discussed but not recommended.

4- Section 14.3 be examined in its entirety and revamped.

Agreed. See draft amended Charter.

5- Revisions to the Town's purchasing, bidding, appropriations and budget process.

Agreed. See draft amended Charter.

6- Revisions to Charter Section 16, Minority Representation.

Discussed but no changes recommended, due to state statute.

7- Review all Town Boards, Commissions and Officials (including Emergency Management Director), including but not limited to jurisdiction and operations.

Agreed. See draft amended Charter.

8- Remote meetings.

Discussed but no changes recommended, due to state statute.

9- The process and requirements for creation of meeting agendas.

Discussed but no changes recommended.

10- Corrections to grammar and statutory inconsistencies in the current Charter.

Agreed. See draft amended Charter.

11-Add a new section to the Charter of the Town's intent to support a long term strategic plan process and submit and create an annual reporting structure.

Agreed. See draft amended Charter.

In addition, the Commission has proposed a new section of the Charter regarding shared services.