

## **Governance Committee Meeting**

### **Minutes Dec 17 2020**

Members Present: Leah Basbanes, Jim Dow, Bob Nelson, Mike Martin, Leo Tomatich, Susan Psaledakis, Ryan McLane

Also Attending: Kevin Paicos, Brian Palaia

Meeting called to order by Leah Basbanes, Chair at 6:40 pm

Discussion began with the review of the changes made at last meeting, then focused on Section 6.7 about the Capital program. It was stated that in draft is not consistent with current bylaw.

Committee members agree that the vetting process of a capital committee is a good process for the town. Add Capital Planning Committee to Appointed board in 3.2(c).

Town Engineer is covered under TA procurement of good and services.

It was stated that the Charter would supersede the Town Counsel ruling about Road Commission to hire and fire.

Emergency management director should go to TA, if TA not available then Police Chief would assume role. EMD should under the management of the TA. Currently the EMD has authority by statute over Chiefs, TA and Select Board. This does not seem logical. Emergency Management Plan must be consistent with bylaw.

Brief discussion ensued about Strong vs Weak chief but will focus on this at next meetings. Next meeting set for Jan 21 2021.

Adjourned at 8:12 pm.