

CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION
Meeting Minutes

For the Meeting Held On : March 31, 2016
Meeting Time : 6:30 p.m.

Location : Council on Aging – Media Room
Address : 328 North Main Street, East Longmeadow, MA

Meeting Posted On... **Day:** Friday **Date:** 03 / 18 / 2016
(48 hrs required)

Is Meeting Being Recorded by Digital Recorder: Yes _____ No X
The Minutes of this Meeting are being taken by: Russell Denver
The Minutes of this Meeting are being recorded by: ELCAT

Committee Members: (check if attended)

Dawn Starks	✓	Russell Denver	✓	William Fonseca	✓	George Kingston	✓
Larry Levine	✓	Eric Madison	✓	Raymond Miller	✓	Tom O'Connor	
Ralph Page	✓						

Attendees:

Did the Chair release any prior Executive Session Minutes? Yes No

Dates of Executive Session Released :

TOPIC / MATTER #1
Public Forum

Summary of Matter Discussed :

- Chairwoman Dawn Starks opened the meeting at 7:00 PM and all Commission Members were present with the exception of Tom O'Connor. The meeting was recorded by East Longmeadow Public Access Television
- Commission Member Eric Madison presented a 45 minute synopsis of the process, decision making and the final recommendations of the Charter Commission to be voted on at the April 12, 2016 Annual Town Election.
- Numerous speakers had questions relating to Town Meeting, powers and duties of the Town Manager and Town Council, residency requirements of appointed boards and committees, anticipated costs to the Town if the Charter passes, whether zoning changes, how the budget process will work and whether members of the Charter Commission are able to run for Town Council
- Answers to the residents' questions were provided by Commission members.

Documents or Exhibits for this Matter:

- None

Votes Taken Under this Matter :

- None

Meeting Adjourned: 9:00 PM

Next Meeting: April 7, 2016 – 6:30 PM – 328 North Main St. – Auditorium