

Town Government Study Committee
Minutes 9/13/2017 APPROVED

Date: September 13, 2017
Members Present: Gene Blanchard, Gay Shanahan, Kathleen Glynn, Anne Ward,
Alex Chin, Julia Adams
Members Absent: Marty Desmery
Guests: Frank Mangione

The meeting was called to order at 7:10. Frank joined the group to learn about the progress. He remarked on the cancellation of the last two meetings due to lack of quorum, with notice of cancellation being his issue.

We discussed the need to replace Marty as Vice Chair, as he has moved out of Duxbury. Anne was voted in unanimously as Vice Chair.

Gay relayed her conversation with Mary McKinnon. Mary indicated that her report should be ready by mid to late October. She said that although the GSC did not put any review of the Town's finances in its requested scope, the review of governmental best practices did include an overlap in that area. This has resulted in some commentary about the management letter and perhaps a few other things. She also said the findings may include comments on the auditor rotation, capital definition discrepancies, Fiscal Advisory's capital presentations at ATM, and the idea that a committee composed of school and town finance professionals may facilitate efficiency and budgeting.

The group went through the report, making extensive edits (punctuation, grammar, content).

The Committee's next meeting is on 10/18, followed by a meeting on 11/1. The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Gay Shanahan