

BYLAW REVIEW COMMITTEE  
Town of Becket  
557 Main Street  
Becket, MA 01223

Minutes  
March 22, 2017

PRESENT: Bylaw Review Committee: Jeanne Pryor, Chair; Mark Karlberg; Bruce Garlow;  
George Roberts

ABSENT: Ann Krawet

PUBLIC: none

The meeting was called to order at 10:04 a.m. by the Chair.

**Review minutes of the November 16, 2016 and December 14, 2016 meetings**

The revised minutes of the November 16, 2016 meeting and the minutes of December 14, 2016 meeting were not available for review.

**Final Review and Approval of Proposed Addition of Sec. 22 Vacant Properties to the Town Betterment By-Laws for inclusion on ATM warrant**

The final version was reviewed and approved.

**Review changes to the Dog Control By-Law regarding: MGL 140, Sec. 174E, *Chaining or tethering dog to stationary object; confinement; restrictions; penalty*, Subsections (a), (d), (e), (g) and (h) as amended by 2016, 248, Sections 1-7 effective November 17, 2016.**

The changes to the Dog Control Bylaw regarding MGL 140 Sec. 174E were reviewed and approved.

**Final Review and Approval of changes to the Dog Control By-Law for inclusion on ATM warrant**

The Committee reviewed and approved the final draft of the Dog Control By-Law for inclusion on the ATM warrant. Jeanne will forward the Bylaw to the Selectmen after corrections in capitalization and final formatting are complete.

**General review of Town By-Laws (Article 2 thru Article 2B)**

The Committee agreed that this review should begin with Article 1 and the content should be reviewed for consistency in wording and formatting.

**Any other business to come before the Committee per G.L. c. 30A, § 20(b)**

The Committee discussed placing an article on the upcoming ATM Warrant to request funding in the amount of \$5,000 for the indexing, formatting, printing, binding and publication of the Town Bylaws.

Jeanne received a request from Amy Perlmutter that the Committee consider a dark skies bylaw.

**Set next meeting date**

The next meeting of the Committee was scheduled for April 5, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:43 a.m.

List of documents discussed and/or distributed at meeting:

Vacant Properties Bylaw Final draft dated 12/14/16  
Changes to Section 174E Chaining or tethering dog document  
Animal Control Bylaw Final draft dated 3/17  
3/21/17 email from Amy Perlmutter re dark skies Bylaw

Respectfully submitted by Jeanne Pryor

Approved by Jeanne Pryor, Chair

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jeanne W. Pryor". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the text "Approved by Jeanne Pryor, Chair".