

GOVERNMENT STUDY COMMITTEE MEETING Minutes of the October 16, 2002 Meeting Selectmen's Office 7:30 PM

Present: Members George Bailey, Andrew Nebenzahl, Patricia Zlotin and Anne Carney

Absent: Dennis Friedman, David Fixler, David Hearne, Leonard Segal

Also Present: Alice Cheyer

Chairman Anne Carney called the meeting to order at 7:40 PM.

The first order of business was a discussion of the committee's first report to the Board of Selectmen. After considerable discussion there was consensus on the items to be included in the report. Anne will draft the report and send it out for any changes or rewording. She will then send it in to the Board of Selectmen.

Pat Zlotin felt that the committee needed to begin addressing the issue of looking into other forms of governance, mainly representative town meeting or council. George felt that we did need a sense of the committee on this issue. After considerable discussion the members felt we needed to know more about how other forms of government worked. That has to be the next order of business – looking at communities that have representative town meeting.

The other issue is the lottery for warrant articles. Members should think about this and try to research it so that the committee can make a recommendation.

George suggested that the committee should also be looking into the roles of all committees to see if their existence should be reaffirmed.

Anne will contact members concerning the next meeting date.

Adjournment at 9:30 PM

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