

**Iowa Colony Charter Commission  
Minutes of Meeting  
February 26, 2020**

**1. Call to order.**

Chair Hargroder called the meeting to order at 6:37 p.m. with a quorum present.  
Absent included: Marge Madariaga, Rosie Flores, Robert Wall, Carol Wall, Diana Tahtinen

**Pledge of Allegiance.**

Chair Hargroder led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag.

**2. Comments from the public.**

There were no comments from the public.

**3. Approval of minutes of the February 19, 2020 meeting.**

Michael Holton made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 19, 2020 meeting. Steven Byrum-Bratsen seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**4. Discussion and possible action on various topics regarding the establishment of the City Charter.**

- Article 3 – The City Council
  - Section 3.07(a) and (b). Brenda Ledbetter made a motion to approve the revised Section 3.07(a) and 3.07(b) as proposed by the City Attorney. Steven Byrum-Bratsen seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. All of Section 3.07 is now approved.
  - Section 3.10 remains unapproved for later discussion.
  - Rebecca Hester made a motion to approve all sections of Article 3 except Section 3.10. Brenda Ledbetter seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- Article 4 – Administrative Services
  - Section 4.01. The City Attorney prepared a new 4.01 describing and clarifying the appointment and removal of personnel. Steven Byrum-Bratsen made a motion to approve Section 4.01 as prepared by the City Attorney. Brenda Ledbetter seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

- Section 4.02. Steven Byrum-Bratsen made a motion to approve Section 4.02 as written. Rebecca Hester seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- Section 4.03(a). It was noted this section had been deferred until other relevant sections were approved. Steven Byrum-Bratsen made a motion to approve Section 4.01(a) with the following additional language. "City Manager must become a resident of the city within a time to be set by the City Council." Rebecca Hester seconded the motion and it carried with one abstention.
- Section 4.03(d). Brenda Ledbetter made a motion to approve Section 4.01(d) as amended. Michael Holton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- Section 4.04. Brenda Ledbetter made a motion to approve Section 4.04. Rebecca Hester seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- Section 4.05. Steven Byrum-Bratsen made a motion to approve Section 4.05 as amended. Brenda Ledbetter seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- Section 4.06. Michael Holton made a motion to approve Section 4.06 as amended. Douglas Chumley seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- Section 4.07. Steven Byrum-Bratsen made a motion to approve Section 4.07. Rebecca Hester seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- Section 4.08. Rebecca made a motion to approve Section 4.08 and remove from the draft sections on the Department of Health, Parks and Recreation Board, Traffic Commission, Keep Iowa Colony Beautiful. It was agreed these sections are not needed at this time for Iowa Colony. Douglas Chumley seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- Rebecca Hester made a motion to approve all of Article 4 as amended. Rebecca Barnett seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- Article 5 – Nominations and Elections
  - Sections 5.01 – 5.05. Steven Byrum Bratsen made a motion to approve Sections 5.01 through 5.05 as amended. Rebecca Hester seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
  - Steven Byrum-Bratsen made a motion to approve the remaining sections of Article 5, and to approve all of Article 5 as amended. Douglas Chumley seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- Article 6 - Recall of Officers
  - Section 6.02 Steven Byrum-Bratsen made a motion to approve Section 6.02 as amended with the following petitioners being required for a valid recall petition: "...which said petition shall be signed by qualified voters of the city equal to the number of at least twenty percent of the


number of registered voters in the city in the previous election, but in no even less than nine hundred such petitioners." Douglas Chumley seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**5. Adjournment.**

Steven Byrum-Bratsen made a motion to adjourn at 8:30. Rebecca Hester seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Next meetings scheduled for March 3 (possible), March 5, 2020 and March 7, 2020 (Saturday at 9:00 a.m.), March 11.

Passed and approved this 3 day of March, 2020

  
Rebecca Hester, Commission Secretary

