

Executive Summary

Date: December 2, 2020
To: Seth Morton, RTM Moderator
From: Kate Clarke Buch, Town Administrator
RE: Proposed Modifications to Town Code

At their regular meeting on October 5, 2020, the Board of Selectmen discussed a request from the Monuments & Ceremonies Commission to reduce the size of the Commission. The Commission has had trouble retaining members and, as a result, has had trouble achieving a quorum for their meetings. Sec. 2-221 of the Code states "The town does hereby create a monuments and ceremonies commission which shall consist of 15 members to be appointed by the board of selectmen. Members shall serve for three-year terms commencing on December 1st of the year of their appointment." The current active members of the commission requested that the membership be reduced to 9.

The Board discussed the request and voted to recommend the requested change to the Town Code to the RTM.

The Board also discussed a request from staff to make a change to Sec. 50-53, regarding the election of an employee to the Town Pension Board. The Code calls for the employee representative to be elected annually. The request from staff was to change the term of the employee representative to two years. The Pension Board only meets four times a year. A new employee representative is just getting in the swing of things when they have to stand for reelection. As a result, we think it would be beneficial to all to have a longer term for the employee representative.

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