

**HAMPDEN  
MASSACHUSETTS**



**GOVERNMENT STUDY COMMITTEE  
MINUTES**

**Meeting: May 22, 2023; 6:30pm**

**Attendees:**

	Cliff Bombard	x	Keith Pixley
x	Michal Boudreau	x	Luis Severino
x	Eric Brewer		
x	Donna Hatch		
x	John Matthews		

**Minutes**

Discussed questions that would be asked of people being interviewed.

Recall vote option needs more discussion.

4/10 meeting minutes Michal motion to accept Eric second voted and approved (5-0)

The committee met with Eva Wiseman discussion of her position as Town Clerk and Tax Collector.

Discussed requirements of both positions and how they interact with other departments in Town. Tax Collector has laws that help define the position. Sometimes it is necessary to dig deeper to get taxes paid, etc.

Town Clerk has some experience needed for the position. Also must be aware of election laws as well as requirement for elections. So training and help of other Town Clerks and training from State.

The skill sets for both positions do not really overlap, for collector math background helps. For clerk record keeping and election helps. No benefit to combine Treasurer and Tax Collector.

Discussed history of Clerk position in regards to the Covid years.

Discussed positions elected vs appointed.

**Next Meeting:** June 12 ; 6:30pm