

**Minutes of the Bylaw Review Committee
April 24, 2019
Town Clerk's Conference Room**

Attendees: Charles Hamann, Mark Thurber, Robert McGaw,
Bob Schafer, Ellen O'Brien Cushman

The meeting convened at 7:06 PM

Warrant Articles for the Annual Town Meeting that were reviewed:

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DATE: April 20, 2021
TIME: 9:25 AM

ARTICLE 5: AMEND GENERAL BYLAWS § 60-200 ANIMALS and 60-205 KENNELS

§ 60-200-J.

- J. Violations of this section shall be disposed of, in the discretion of the Board of Health, either in the manner provided in § 40-220E or, if applicable, pursuant to the provisions of MGL c. 140, § 173A. For all violations of this section other than violations of the licensing subsections, a noncriminal citation will be issued on the following schedule: first offense, \$50; second offense, \$100; third offense, \$300; fourth and each succeeding offense \$500. Any violation of the licensing subsections shall result in a fine of \$50 per such violation and, for violations continuing 30 days past licensing deadlines, an additional fine of \$100 per such violation

§ 60-205-B.(10)

- (10) Any violation of this section shall result in a fine of \$500 for a first offense, and a fine of \$1,000 for a second or subsequent offense. Violations shall be administered in accordance with the provisions of MGL c. 140, §§ 137A-137C,

Unanimously approved by the Committee as to form and placement- final text of the amendments after the annotations as they were printed in the warrant:

ARTICLE 6: AMEND GENERAL BYLAWS: GENDER NEUTRAL NAME CHANGE, BOARD OF SELECTMEN

MOVED: That the Town vote to amend the General Bylaws, by changing the word "Selectmen" and the phrase "Board of Selectmen" to "Select Board" wherever they appear, and to insert a new § 10-116 ("Select Board"), all as shown in the document entitled "General Bylaw of the Town of Belmont Redlined to Show Proposed Amendments," a copy of which has been distributed to each Town Meeting Member.

Bob McGaw assured the Committee that he had individually reviewed the General Bylaws as annotated by the Town Counsel showing all proposed changes through the Bylaws in the referenced document.

Unanimously approved by the Committee as to form and placement – both the main motion and the referenced annotation document prepared by Town Counsel.

**ARTICLE 7: AMEND GENERAL BYLAWS: CITIZENS' PETITION- GENDER NEUTRAL NAME CHANGE,
BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

The Committee was informed by the citizen petitioners that they will be moving to dismiss this article, in deference to the Board of Selectmen version that proposes the same end.

The Committee adjourned at 8:05 PM
No Action by the Committee.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ellen O'Brien Cushman
Town Clerk, Ex-officio member