

**CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SUB-COMMITTEE  
Minutes of Meeting  
December 17, 2009**

A meeting of the Board of County Commissioners Sub-Committee of the Charter Review Commission was held at the Administration Complex, Room 106-B, Port Charlotte, Florida.

Roll Call

The following members were present:

*William Dryburgh, Tom Rice, Frank Weikel, Michael Grant (alternate)*

Absent members: *Johnny Vernon (Chairman)*

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:20 p.m. EST

Agenda Items

1. Future Meeting Dates:

*Frank Weikel* indicated that he had made notes on contacts from individuals that would like certain items reviewed, to-wit: an elected Administrator; County Commissioners to be elected from single districts (and if that happens the possibility of having two [2] County Commissioners at large); how that impacts the budget. *Mr. Weikel* then mentioned that several Commissioners have indicated that they would like to talk and he thought that the sub-Committee should proceed accordingly. *Thomas Rice* asked if the members had reviewed the questions from the 2004 BCC sub-Committee and if they had any deletions or additions, noting that some of the issues were the same as *Frank Weikel* mentioned. Discussion ensued among the members about the time that should be allotted per interview as well as the matter of submitting prepared questions for the interviewees to review. They also discussed expanding the interview to include candidates for the Board of County Commissioners but the decision was to limit the interview process to sitting Commissioners only. The members asked the opinion of *Robert Berntsson, Esq.*, counsel for the CRC, if the issue of extending the life of Community Redevelopment Agencies through vote of the electorate would be possible. *Mr. Berntsson* advised that the County charter cannot be amended in that regard. The members then reviewed and discussed the aforementioned list of questions to determine how to construct their own list. **(NOTE: A copy of these questions in final form is attached to and made a part of these Minutes as Attachment "A").** At the conclusion of discussion the members agreed that the interview meeting will be scheduled for January 28, 2010, beginning at

9:00 a.m. in the offices of the Board of County Commissioners, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Murdock Administration Center. The interview format will be thirty (30) minutes per interview, with fifteen (15) additional minutes to accommodate discussion. Administrative support was instructed to prepare the letter and supporting materials to schedule this meeting.

2. Committee Comments: None
3. Public Input: None
4. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m. EST



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Thomas J. Rice, Acting Chairman

Attachment "A"

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Proposed Interview Questions:

- 1) Should the Board of County Commissioners be structured any differently?
- 2) What are your thoughts concerning single member districts, plus two at large (not to exceed five total)?
- 3) Should the Board of County Commissioners' elections be non-partisan?
- 4) Should the Board of County Commissioners be subject to term limits?
- 5) What are your thoughts concerning BCC election ballot rotation of names?
- 6) Is there a need to regulate BCC election financing in the Charter?
- 7) Would you like the Charter Review Commission to recommend any Charter amendments relative to the Board of County Commissioners?
- 8) What are your thoughts concerning the County Administrator's position becoming elected?
- 9) Would you like the Charter Review Commission to recommend any Charter Amendments relative to any other portions of the Charlotte County Government?