

ARTICLE XII. TRANSITION AND MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

Section 12-1. Election of Judge of Probate and Registrars of Voters.

Election of judge of probate for a four-year term and registrars of voters for a two-year term shall continue in accordance with the General Statutes.

Section 12-2. Existing Laws and Ordinance.

All laws applicable to the town, all enabling legislation adopted by the town, and all ordinances of the town shall continue in full force and effect, except as they are inconsistent with the provisions of this Charter.

Section 12-3. Transfer of Powers and Continuation of Office.

The powers which are conferred and the duties which are imposed upon any town agency under the General Statutes of Connecticut, Special Acts concerning the town, or any ordinance in force at the time this Charter shall take effect, thereafter may be exercised and discharged by the town upon which are conferred such powers and imposed such duties under the provisions of this Charter.

All persons holding town offices, whether elected or appointed, all persons holding positions of employment, and all persons who are members of existing boards or agencies of the town at the time of the effective date of this Charter shall continue in their respective positions.

Section 12-4. Applicability of Standards of Conduct to Town Employees.

Insofar as provisions of Article XI, "Standards of Conduct", are inconsistent with existing contracts with town employees, they shall not apply until such contracts have been renegotiated.

Section 12-5. Amendment of this Charter.

This Charter may be amended in accordance with Chapter 99 of the Connecticut General Statutes as amended. In any event, the Board of Selectmen shall appoint a Charter Revision Commission not later than October 1, 2003, and every four (4) years thereafter, in accordance with the Connecticut General Statutes. (14)

Section 12-6. Saving Clause.

If any section of this Charter shall be held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not affect the remainder of this Charter nor the context on which such section so held may appear, except to the extent that an entire section or part of a section may be inseparably connected in meaning and effect with the section or part of the section to which such holding shall directly apply.

Section 12-7. Effective Date.

The effective date of this Charter shall be December 5, 1978.