



CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes

City Hall Council Chambers

February 17, 2026, 7:00 PM

Present: Robert Boldt, Brian Culley, Iain Crouch, Lyn Haselton, Rich Ganim, Drew Glasser, Cilia Holocker, George Heinemann, Bridge Wu

Not Present: Sam Alai

Also Present: Vince Ruffa, Lisa Putka

Guests: Tom Pavlica, Brian Wolf, Alisha Glasser Glenn Goodwin

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Recording Secretary Lisa Putka. The meeting commenced with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call:

All members were present except Mayor Alai. Recognized attendees included Council at Large Glenn Goodwin and Council Members Tom Pavlica and Brian Wolf.

Introduction:

Brian Culley, Planning Commission Representative, is currently on the Planning Commission and was nominated for Charter Review.

Iain Crouch, Board of Zoning Appeals Representative, is on the Board of Zoning Appeals and was also selected for the Charter Review.

Rich Ganim, Ward 1 Representative, grew up in Broadview Heights, moved away, and came back in 2017, and has been in New Hampton since.

Drew Glasser, Ward 2 Representative, moved to Broadview Heights in 2017.

Bridget Wu, Mayoral Representative, lives in Macintosh Farms, has two children, and was just elected to the North Royalton School Board.

Bob Boldt, Council Representative and Council President, has lived in Macintosh since 1999. He also has four kids, with the last one going through Ohio State.

Lisa Putka, Recording Secretary, is the City Clerk and works in the mayor's office, and has been the Recording Secretary for the third time, having worked here for 14 years.

George Heinemann, Ward 4 Representative, lives in Wilshire and has been a resident for eight years. George migrated from North Royalton and was a member of the North Royalton Community Foundation and, most recently, the BZA.

Lyn Haselton, Parks & Recreation Representative, was appointed by the Rec. Board. She has been a resident for 10 years and has two daughters at Brecksville-Broadview Heights school.

Cilia Holocker, Ward 3 Representative, has been in Broadview Heights since 2007, has been married for 27 years, has three children who went through the Brecksville School system, and this is her first time doing the Charter Review Commission.

Oath of Office:

After the introductions, Law Director Ruffa administered the Oath of Office to the Commission members and then explained that the Commission must select a chairperson.

Charter Review Process:

Mr. Boldt emphasized the importance of the charter review process as an opportunity for the community to express its views without political pressure. He noted the inclusion of issues such as the fire station for consideration. Mr. Boldt reassured the committee that council members cannot influence the decisions made during the review process and that proposals will be finalized by the Law Director.

Chairperson Selection:

It was suggested by Mr. Culley that those appointed by the Mayor and Council step aside from the chair position. Mr. Boldt highlighted the dual responsibilities of the Chair in managing meetings while actively participating in discussions.

Ms. Haselton nominated Mr. Culley for Chair, and Mr. Heinemann seconded. Ms. Wu nominated Mr. Crouch, and Mr. Culley seconded. After voting, **Iain Crouch** was elected Chair, and **Brian Culley** was elected Vice Chair.

Future Meetings:

The Committee continued to establish future meeting dates and times and discussed the target completion date. Ruffa explained the review process, and the Commission is there to identify potential changes. During this process, residents, city employees, council members, and the mayor can offer suggestions for modifications. The group will set a timeline for submitting these suggestions and may hold a meeting to allow individuals to present their ideas.

Public Suggestions:

Mr. Ruffa discussed managing public suggestions for changes. The committee will determine which proposals will progress to ballot consideration. Suggestions will be submitted to the Commission in advance to facilitate discussions and minimize debates during meetings. Final decisions will be made by the board based on majority agreement.

Meeting Time Management:

Mr. Boldt, former Chair for the 2022 Charter Review, recommended assigning a certain number of pages each week to maintain progress. Ms. Putka noted that previous meetings lasted about one hour. Mr. Ruffa indicated that the duration is at the Chair's discretion. Mr. Crouch decided the first two meetings would last one hour each, with public comments allowed at the third meeting. He requested members be prepared by reviewing the first 10 pages for next meetings discussions.

Adjournment:

7:44 PM

Next Meeting:

February 24, 2026, 6:30 PM