

Companion Recommendations

As part of its discussions, the Ordinance Committee makes the following additional recommendations for Town Council consideration.

1. **Reduce committee membership to 5.** The Ordinance Committee suggests the Town Council reflect on the standing committee responsibilities and residents' interest in volunteering for open committee seats. In some cases, it may be appropriate to reduce the membership of standing committees from 7 to 5. Due to the fieldwork inherent in its purpose, the Conservation Commission may not be appropriate for reduction.
2. **Implementation.** Once the Board and Committee Ordinance has been adopted, all related documents describing the purpose and duties of the committees should be updated to be consistent with the ordinance. This should include the website descriptions, committee member orientation materials, and other items.
3. **Town Council Liaison.** The Ordinance Committee questioned the role and/or the need for Town Council liaisons to standing boards.
4. **Bylaws of the Thomas Memorial Library Foundation.** The Town Council should consider revisions to the composition of the Foundation Board in order to reduce the number of Town Councilors who will be on the board after the Board and Committee Ordinance is adopted.
5. **Senior Representation on the Community Services Committee.** As part of the Senior Citizen Advisory Committee Report review, the Town Council discussed assuring senior representation on the Community Services Committee. This ordinance does not explicitly designate a senior citizen appointment to the Community Services Committee, but the Appointments Committee should make every effort to recommend that a senior citizen be included in the committee membership.

Ordinance Committee Recommendation to the Town Council

At the June 2, 2016 meeting, the Ordinance Committee recommended that the Board and Committee replacement ordinance, the Conservation Ordinance Amendments and the Shooting Range Ordinance amendments be sent to the Town Council for consideration.