

TOWN OF CHARLESTOWN

CHARTER AMENDMENT RESOLUTION 2023-01

A RESOLUTION BY THE PRESIDENT AND COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWN OF CHARLESTOWN TO AMEND SECTION 401(c) OF THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF CHARLESTOWN, MARYLAND PERTAINING TO THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE PRESIDENT.

The purpose of the amendment of Section 401(c) of the Town Charter is to assure consistency with personnel actions and require that all hiring and firing actions be approved by the President, in addition to a majority vote of the remaining Town Commissioners.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the President and Commissioners of the Town of Charlestown that Section 401(c) of the Town Charter, entitled “Powers and Duties”, be amended as hereinafter set forth. Provisions being deleted are designated by being in [[double brackets]] and provisions being added are designated by being in **BOLD CAPITAL LETTERS**.

Sec 401(c) Powers and Duties

(a) The President shall assure that personnel actions are carried out in accord with town policy as contained in its personnel manual. The President is ultimately responsible for all hiring and firing actions, which are [[done with the consensus of the Commissioners]]. **APPROVED BY THE PRESIDENT, IN ADDITION TO A MAJORITY VOTE OF THE REMAINING COMMISSIONERS.** With respect to town employees working under the operational control of the Town Administrator, personnel actions will include recommendations from the Administrator.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any section or sections of the existing Charter which are inconsistent with the amendment set forth above are hereby repealed.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the amendment contained herein shall become effective and be considered a part of the Charter of the Town of Charlestown, according to the terms of the above amendment, in all respects to be effective and observed as such, upon the fiftieth (50th) day after being adopted by the Commissioners and approved by the President, unless on or before the fortieth (40th) day after being adopted and approved, a proper Petition for Referendum meeting the requirements of the Md. Code Ann., Local Government Art, Section 4-304, is presented to the Town Commissioners or mailed to the Town Commissioners by certified mail, return receipt requested, bearing a postmark from the United States Postal Service.

Introduced and adopted by the Town Commissioners of Charlestown at the regular public meeting held on _____, and directed to be published in accordance with public law.

ATTEST

TOWN COMMISSIONERS OF
CHARLESTOWN

Attest:

Town Administrator

Karl H. Fockler, President

Date Approved:

Renee Capano, Vice-President

Date Adopted:

Jeffrey Fields, Treasurer

Loucretia Wood

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CHARTER AMENDMENT RESOLUTION 2023-02

A RESOLUTION BY THE PRESIDENT AND COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWN OF CHARLESTOWN TO AMEND SECTION 601 OF THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF CHARLESTOWN, MARYLAND PERTAINING TO VOTERS.

The purpose of the amendment of Section 601 of the Town Charter is to change the requirement of residency from 90 days to 30 days.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the President and Commissioners of the Town of Charlestown that Section 601 of the Town Charter, entitled “Voters”, be amended as hereinafter set forth. Provisions being deleted are designated by being in [[double brackets]] and provisions being added are designated by being in **BOLD CAPITAL LETTERS**.

Sec 601. Voters

Every person who is a citizen of the United States, is at least eighteen (18) years of age, has resided within the town for at least [[(3) months]] **THIRTY (30) DAYS** immediately preceding any town election, and is registered in accordance with the provisions of this Charter, shall be a registered voter of the town. Every registered voter of the town shall be entitled to vote at any or all town elections.

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CHARTER AMENDMENT RESOLUTION 2023-03

A RESOLUTION BY THE PRESIDENT AND COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWN OF CHARLESTOWN TO AMEND SECTION 602 OF THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF CHARLESTOWN, MARYLAND PERTAINING TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF ELECTIONS.

The purpose of the amendment of Section 602 of the Town Charter is to allow one alternate position be appointed to the Board of Elections of Supervisors.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the President and Commissioners of the Town of Charlestown that Section 602 of the Town Charter, entitled “Board of Elections of Supervisors”, be amended as hereinafter set forth. Provisions being deleted are designated by being in [[double brackets]] and provisions being added are designated by being in **BOLD CAPITAL LETTERS**.

Sec 602. Board of Elections of Supervisors.

There shall be a Board of Supervisors of Elections, consisting of three (3) members **AND ONE (1) ALTERNATE**, who shall be appointed by the President with the approval of the Town Commissioners on or before the first Monday in December of 1978, and in every even-numbered year thereafter. The terms of members of the Board of Supervisors of Elections shall begin on the first Monday in December in the year in which they are appointed and shall run for two (2) years. Members of the Board of Supervisors of Elections shall be qualified voters of the town and shall not hold or be candidates for any elective office during their term of office. The Board of Election Supervisors shall appoint one (1) of its members Chairman. Vacancies on the Board shall be filled by the President with the approval of the Town Commissioners for the remainder of the unexpired term. The compensation of the members of the Board shall be determined by the Town Commissioners.

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CHARTER AMENDMENT RESOLUTION 2023-04

A RESOLUTION BY THE PRESIDENT AND COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWN OF CHARLESTOWN TO AMEND SECTION 606 OF THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF CHARLESTOWN, MARYLAND PERTAINING TO REGISTRATION.

The purpose of the amendment of Section 606 of the Town Charter is to clarify citizens can register in both a Town and County office and at least thirty (30) days prior to any given election.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the President and Commissioners of the Town of Charlestown that Section 606 of the Town Charter, entitled "Registration", be amended as hereinafter set forth. Provisions being deleted are designated by being in [[double brackets]] and provisions being added are designated by being in **BOLD CAPITAL LETTERS**.

Sec 606. Registration

- (a) Citizens qualified to vote shall be able to register at **A town OR COUNTY** office every town **OR COUNTY** business day, except within thirty (30) calendar days prior to election.
- (b) Registration shall be permanent, and no person shall be entitled to vote in town elections unless he is registered **IN THE TOWN, AT LEAST THIRTY (30) DAYS PRIOR TO ANY GIVEN ELECTION**. It shall be the duty of the Election Board to keep the registration lists up-to-date by striking from the lists persons known to have died or to have moved out of the town.

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A RESOLUTION BY THE PRESIDENT AND COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWN OF CHARLESTOWN TO AMEND SECTION 608 OF THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF CHARLESTOWN, MARYLAND PERTAINING TO CANDIDATES.

The purpose of the amendment of Section 608 of the Town Charter is to require a Town Commissioner candidate submit a driver’s license along with a statement of candidacy, and to update the year dates for this century.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the President and Commissioners of the Town of Charlestown that Section 608 of the Town Charter, entitled “Candidates”, be amended as hereinafter set forth. Provisions being deleted are designated by being in [[double brackets]] and provisions being added are designated by being in **BOLD CAPITAL LETTERS**.

Sec 608. Candidates

Any person desiring to become a candidate for Commissioner under this Charter shall, at least thirty (30) calendar days before said election, file with the **TOWN a MARYLAND DRIVER’S LICENSE AND A** statement of such candidacy in substantially the following form:

I,, being first sworn, say that I reside in the Town of Charlestown, Cecil County, State of Maryland; and I am qualified for such office pursuant to Section 25–302 of the Town Charter; that I am a candidate for the office of Commissioner to be voted upon at the election to be held on the day of, **20**, and I hereby request my name to be printed upon the official ballot for such election to said office.

Signed.....

Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me this day of, **20**.....

Signed.....

Such filing shall identify the offices being sought and contain the name and signature of the candidate and such other information necessary to determine his or her proper qualification for that office. No person shall file for nomination to more than one (1) elective town public office or hold more than one (1) elective town public office at one (1) time.

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