Anderson County Charter Commission

Agenda Monday, May 3, 2021 @ 6:00 p.m. Room 312

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1	Call	l to i	Order

- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Prayer
- 4. Pledge of Allegiance
- 5. Approval of the April 5, 2021 Minutes
- 6. Appearance of Citizens
- 7. Law Director
 - 1. New contract for Charter Commission outside counsel.
- **8. Concerns and Suggestions** requested by Commissioner Stanley
 - 1. Term Limits for all elected county offices (two terms) does not include State offices.
 - 2. Return to an elected county attorney/law director.
 - 3. Expenditures for new and non-budgeted items or programs should require approval by a second reading.
 - 4. Committees should have no more than two commissioners and citizens should make up the remainder of positions.
 - 5. Reduce the number of Commissioners by half.
 - 6. Commissioners should not be entitled to more benefits than part-time government employees.
 - 7. Currently some county-only residents are included with Oak Ridge City commission Districts who have little or no understanding of county-only issues therefore we receive no true representation. Services become an important issue for county-only residents and businesses.
- 9. Old Business
- 10. New Business
- 11. Adjourn

Anderson County Charter Commission Minutes April 5, 2021

Meeting was electronic and in room 312

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT THE ANDERSON COUNTY CHARTER COMMISSION MET IN ELECTRONIC SESSION ON APRIL 5, 2021 AT 6:00 PM, WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT: TIM ISBEL, VL STONECIPHER, STEVE MEAD, BOB SMALLRIDGE, CHUCK FRITTS, JERRY WHITE AND DAVID STANLEY

ABSENT: STEVE EMERT

Chairman Stonecipher called the meeting to order.

Commissioner White said the prayer.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Mead.

Appearance of Citizens - No citizens addressed the Commission.

Commissioner Mead made a motion to approve the February minutes. Commissioner Fritts seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Law Director - Discussion - No Action Taken.

Outside counsel, Joe Jarret, resigned due to taking another job that does not allow him to do outside work. The Law Director immediately started looking for a replacement and will bring back before this body for approval.

Old Business - None

New Business - None

Commissioner Mead moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Stanley.

The next meeting will be May 3, 2021 at 6:00 pm.



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Charter Commission Agenda Deadline

3 messages

Annette Prewitt <aprewitt@acs.ac>

Tue, Apr 27, 2021 at 10:52 AM

To: Bob Smallridge <rismal@yahoo.com>, CC - Chuck Fritts <cf3533@msn.com>, David G Stanley <david.stanley11@yahoo.com>, Jerry White <jwhite@andersoncountytn.gov>, Steve Emert <emert61@gmail.com>, Steve Mead <meadsteven@att.net>, Tim Isbel <isbelt@ymail.com>, V L Stonecipher <vIstonecipher@att.net>, "CC - ZZ Jay Yeager, Law Director" <jyeager@aclawdirector.com>, CC - ZZ Jeff Cole <jeffcole@acs.ac>, Terry Frank <tfrank@andersoncountytn.gov>

A reminder that the Charter Commission Agenda deadline is Wednesday, April 28th at noon. Please email any requests for the agenda to me before noon.

Thanks.

Annette R. Prewitt

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Jay Yeager <i yeager@aclawdirector.com> To: Annette Prewitt <aprewitt@acs.ac>

Tue, Apr 27, 2021 at 1:22 PM

Annette:

I will have the new contract for Charter Commission outside counsel.

Thanks,

Jay

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Annette Prewitt <aprewitt@acs.ac> To: Jay Yeager <jyeager@aclawdirector.com> Tue, Apr 27, 2021 at 1:24 PM

Thanks! [Quoted text hidden]



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Fw: Charter Commission Meeting May 3

1 message

David Stanley MD <david.stanley11@yahoo.com> To: Annette Prewitt <aprewitt@acs.ac>

Tue, Apr 27, 2021 at 3:25 PM

Below are some suggestions sent by citizens. In this difficult time, citizens don't understand how to communicate with the Charter Commission directly. Has anyone else had suggestions? These are not my personal opinions! I suggested they try to attend our meetings.

Some suggestions that I have received for Charter Changes Anderson County over the past year:

Term Limits for all elected county offices (two terms)does not include state offices like DA

Return to an elected county attorney/law director

Expenditures for new and non-budgeted items or programs should require approval by a second reading. This gives the public and other government departments an opportunity to scrutinize such expenditures.

Committees should have no more than two commissioners and citizens should make up the remainder of positions.

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David Stanley