CITY OF North Tonawanda

Charter Revision Committee

Meeting Minutes

June 18, 2026- City Hall – 6:30pm

A. Administrative Business

1. Call to Order: The meeting of the Charter Review Committee was held in the 2nd floor conference room and was called to order by Chairman Lou DalPorto at approximately 6:30 pm.
2. Record of Attendance: **Present** were Committee members: Darlene Bolsover, Susan Gosch, Chet Klimek, Daniel Brick, Lou DalPorto, Frank Laurendi, Mary Martin, Heather Farley, Frank Burkhart, Kate Wistner.

B. Open Comments:

Discussion about putting Proposition before voters in the November 2026 election, to change the fulfillment of the City Attorney from an elected position to an appointed position.

Specifically, the Committee agreed that:

1. North Tonawanda is the only municipality in New York State that continues to have the City Attorney as an elected office.
2. This current model is costing the City by utilizing consultants to perform City Attorney duties.
3. The current model presents potential conflicts of interest.

C. Conclusions and Recommendations:

The Committee recommends the following:
Kate to update spread sheet with current language to change the City Attorney position from an elected to a position appointed by the Mayor with confirmation by City Council.

Susan made a motion to proceed with this recommendation. It was seconded by Kate and unanimously passed to proceed with this decision.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Dan Brick and seconded by Susan Gosch at 8:00pm.

Respectfully submitted by:
Susan Gosch
Secretary