

No. M-12. An act relating to approval of amendments to the charter of the Town of Berlin.

(H.504)

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

Sec. 1. CHARTER AMENDMENT APPROVAL

The General Assembly approves the amendments to the charter of the Town of Berlin as set forth in this act. The voters approved the proposals of amendment on November 8, 2022.

Sec. 2. 24 App. V.S.A. chapter 105 is amended to read:

CHAPTER 105. TOWN OF BERLIN

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§ 42. ELECTED OFFICERS

The following officers of the Town and such other Town officers as are provided by law and previous vote of the electorate as to number, length of term, and manner of election at an annual meeting shall be elected by Australian ballot, unless otherwise stated, and shall include the following:

- (1) a Moderator to be elected from the floor, for a term of one year;
- (2) ~~a Town Clerk, for a term of three years;~~ [Repealed.]
- (3) Selectboard members, three of whom shall serve staggered three-year terms and two of whom shall serve one-year terms;
- (4) such other Town officers as the Town shall order as provided by law.

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§ 44. APPOINTED OFFICERS

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(b) The Selectboard shall appoint, recommend, or approve, as applicable, the appointment of the following officers who will serve at the pleasure of the Selectboard, following the notice and warning as required by this charter and the Administrative Code:

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(10) Administrative Assistant to the Public Works Board; and

(11) Town Clerk.

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§ 73. PENALTY FOR DELINQUENT INSTALLMENTS AND PERSONAL PROPERTY OR INVENTORY TAXATION

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(c) When the total assessed value of personal property or inventory is equal to or less than \$1,650.00, the Town Treasurer may, upon approval of the Selectboard, waive the personal property or inventory taxation.

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Sec. 3. TRANSITIONAL PROVISION; APPOINTED TOWN CLERK

On the effective date of this act, any elected Town Clerk in office shall continue to serve until the end of the Town Clerk's term or an earlier date that the Selectboard appoints a Town Clerk.

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Sec. 4. EFFECTIVE DATE

This act shall take effect on passage.

Date Governor signed bill: June 8, 2023