A special meeting of the Town Assembly was held on May 19, 1965, with Trustee Warren presiding. The purpose of the meeting was to consider a report of the Committee appointed to study a proposed charter for the Town.

The Committee, composed of Trustee Warren, Joseph Ivancich, Mrs. Mary Taylor, Carolyn Peterson, William Morse, and Mayor D. Wayne L. B. Emhardt, presented a proposed charter for the Town.

The chairman of the Committee outlined the main features of the charter as follows:

1. All municipal power vested in the Assembly.
3. Power to administer specific functions delegated to elected committee of the Town Council.
4. All regulation other than those carried out their duties and to be defined as the functions of the committee subject to Town Assembly approval.
5. Election of Board of Assessors and the determination of land and property matters determined by the Board.
6. Lease or disposal of property at the discretion of the Board of Trustees, subject to the approval of the Town Assembly.
7. Court of Chancery. Therefore, the present system is kept intact, including the present Board of Supervisors in the proposed charter.
8. The obligation imposed by the Board of Trustees to spend money in excess of tax and administrative needs.
9. Much common use desired for a majority of the residents, need to present budgetary process. The budget process is kept intact in the proposed charter. All budgetary needs, including compensation, will be approved by a referendum.

Since the Registration Committee has the primary function of conducting...
Keeping register of eligible voters, conducting elections and a referendum on the Budget have been formalized in the proposed charter.

5. All other Town Assembly Committees, Advisory, Zoning, Safety, Auditing, Community Planning will be established by ordinance and elected by the Town Assembly.

The proposed charter was read and discussed. A motion was made giving the Town Assembly the right to submit the Town Assembly meetings at the next two consecutive meetings whether regular or special. The meeting at which such resolution shall be voted upon.

The Chairman of the Town Assembly shall be a resident elected to serve for one year or until a successor is elected.

The Assessors and Registrations Committee function under the present By-Laws. The Budget Committee will prepare a budget to be approved by the Town Assembly, and submitted to referendum for approval. A majority of residents of the committee will act upon it. The Town Assembly by majority of residents.

The nearest justice of the peace will have jurisdiction of any arrests for offenses against local ordinance or State Law. All ordinances shall provide for fine or imprisonment.
There was a great deal of discussion concerning this feature of the charter and the majority opinion was that the right of appeal to the Supreme Court of the peace must be written into the charter. The committee was asked to look into legality of the request. Please power only power for all money calls will be under jurisdiction of the Town Assembly.

The War made an appeal that the House Bill 433 be adopted and that the revised charter be presented to the General Assembly in 1967 for action. The matter was not prepared to enforce the House Bill 433 but they desire to get some law to enforce all to take steps to protect the village rights against the State Highway Department.

A motion was made that the report of the committee be accepted and that a recessed Town Assembly be recessed on May 23 to further study the revised charter.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary McKee
Secretary.